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Unique opportunity for local musicians, arts and disability workers

Local musicians in Bathurst, Orange and Dubbo are being sought by Accessible Arts Inc to run music workshops for people with disabilities. Free 'Music Improvisation' training days for local artists, musicians, arts and disability workers will also be run by Accessible Arts in October 1995. Anyone interested in participating is invited to attend the community consultancy meetings in each centre, held from Monday 11 September to Wednesday 13 September 1995.

The workshops and training days are part of the 'Artability' tour, a free integration and training project open to all arts and disability workers in the Central West, to be run by Accessible Arts and musicians Lindy Morrison (ex Go Betweens) and Albert Blackney (Junction House Band). The innovative training days are designed to introduce communities to Integration through Music, focussing on issues which impact upon creative activities for people with disabilities.

According to Suzie Walker, Project Officer, Accessible Arts, "The desire for self expression is of fundamental importance to all people. People with disabilities are not the exception. They do however, face extreme disadvantage in all areas of the arts." She states that the aim of the 'Artability' tour is to network within the arts and disability communities and to resource and inspire the formation of an ongoing music program.

The Community consultation meetings will be held in Bathurst on Monday 11 September, Dubbo on Tuesday 12 September and Orange on Wednesday 13 September at the following venues: Bathurst - HACC Rooms, 55 Seymour Street, 1-3pm; Dubbo - Conference Room, State Office Block, Carrington Avenue, 10am - 12.30pm and; Orange - Orange TAFE, Library Conference Room, March Street, 1-3pm.

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