

Media Release



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Change MAKERS – Art, Activism and Social Justice Youth Mentoring Program

Are you a young person with a passionate social or environmental cause you want to explore through art-making? Are you aged between 14 – 18 years? Are you inspired to catalyse change?

Northern Rivers Community Gallery (NRCG) presents *Change MAKERS:* a FREE 8-week art and activism mentoring program that explores the power of art to create change. Applications are now open for ten young people to be professionally mentored by artist and educator Cara MacLeod and videographer and photographer Eden Crawford-Harriman.

The Northern Rivers has a strong history of activism, social justice art-making, journalism and film-making. This project continues this tradition, harnessing the skills and expertise of experienced artists and filmmakers, to foster the next generation of environmentalists and social justice advocates. *Change MAKERS* offers a unique opportunity for young people to participate in a hands-on, skills based creative arts program to empower, inspire and create change!

The artist mentors will work with participants to help take their ideas from concept to completion, and realise the full potential of their creative projects. *Change MAKERS* will help young people tell their stories, amplify their voice in the community and achieve impact with artistic projects.

Proudly funded and supported by Regional Arts NSW – Country Arts Support Program, *Change MAKERS* is a free program open to ten young people living in the Northern Rivers. Applications are now open to register for the program and will close on Friday 11 October. The 8-week program starts 22 October and will run from 5-7pm every Thursday until the 10 December at **Ignite Studios**, **60 Crane Street**, **Ballina**.

Register online via the Gallery website **nrcgballina.com.au** or phone 02 6681 0530.

The Northern Rivers Community Gallery is located at 44 Cherry Street Ballina and is open Wednesday to Friday from 10am until 4pm and weekends from 9.30am until 1pm. For further information contact the Gallery on telephone 02 6681 0530 or visit www.nrcgballina.com

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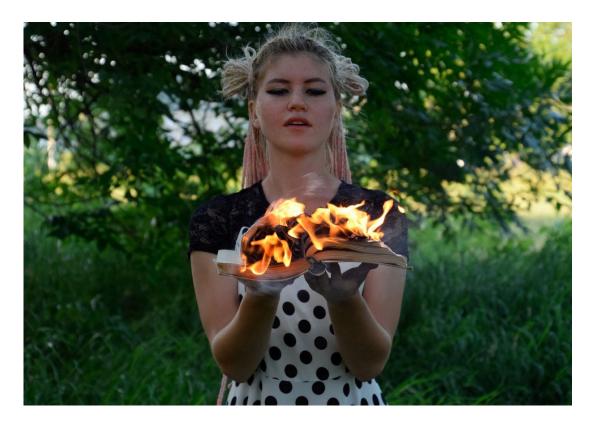


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