

‘Manus’ – Film and Chat with Angus McDonald

Award-winning artist and filmmaker Angus McDonald will present and discuss his short film ‘Manus’ at **Lennox Head Cultural Centre on February 26, 2021**. Profits from proceeds from this event, presented by Lennox Arts Board, will go to Human Rights Watch.

‘Manus’ is a short documentary about refugees held for years by the Australian government on Manus Island in Papua New Guinea. It won multiple awards at film festivals in Australia and overseas.

The secretly-filmed documentary centres on testimonials of those held on Manus Island. These men include Behrouz Boochani, the subject of Angus’s Archibald People’s Choice Award prize-winning portrait. This portrait is currently on display at the Tweed Regional Gallery as part of the touring Archibald exhibition.

‘We need to recognise that those who arrive are not criminals or illegal. They are simply people running for their lives who seek our help and we need to begin helping them instead of adding further to their suffering. This is a film about humanity and solidarity,’ Angus said.

Angus is a six-time Archibald finalist and an ambassador for Human Rights Watch Australia and Asia as well as World Vision’s Kids Off Nauru campaign. After the documentary screening, he will be in conversation with journalist Jenny Burgess. There will also be an audience question and answer session, so come ready with your questions.

The event is being held at the Lennox Head Cultural Centre at 6pm, Friday 26th of February.

Tickets are \$22.50. A bar and limited food will be available to purchase on the night.

Book online at angusmcdonald.eventbrite.com.au

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Image: Angus McDonald, artist and filmmaker.

'Behrouz Boochani's Resistance' portrait by Angus McDonald

