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Cradle Coast arts residency seeks new interpretations of Tasmania’s North-West

Applications are now open for established artists to apply for the University of Tasmania’s prestigious Cradle Coast campus arts residency.

Now in its seventh year, the 2018 Artist-in-Residence Program is seeking artists to explore their perceptions of the region and engage with the local community through a variety of creative disciplines.

The residency supports a local, interstate or international applicant with a grant of up to $5,000 for projects lasting up to four weeks.

Arts and Public Programs Coordinator Joanna Gair said since its inception in 2011, the residency had attracted high-profile applicants from across the world.

“This very special residency has been designed to provide a broad range of artists with opportunities to deliver their interpretations and perspectives of the North-West; this may include aspects of our environment, history, industry or research,” Ms Gair said.

“Engagement with our regional community is an essential component of this residency program, so projects need to deliver both culturally and creatively.

“Our 2017 recipient was Associate Professor Jack Elliott, from Cornell University, USA. Professor Elliott’s project involved surveying local trees to capture their history and to create a virtual forest to be 3D-printed and returned to the State for exhibition next year.

“Several of our recipients have successfully taken their projects beyond the perimeters of the residency program.

“For example in 2016, Tasmanian composer and musician Dean Stevenson debuted his project Facing North at Ten Days on the Island Festival. The culmination of Dean’s project was a very moving orchestral piece about the region, performed by regional musicians.
“This residency has certainly opened doors for its recipients; it’s definitely a win-win opportunity for both the artist and our community.”


Applications close Tuesday, 5 December.

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