

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Gallery partners with Conservatorium of Music

The benefits of Goulburn Regional Art Gallery and Goulburn Regional Conservatorium's commitment to working together continue to flow, with musical performances planned during an upcoming exhibition, 'Coarse Stories' and select works from the Gallery's Collection on permanent display at the GRC.

The MOU, which was signed in March 2018 by Gina Mobayed (Gallery Director) and Paul Scott-Williams (CEO of the Conservatorium) sets out to create a dialogue across the respective programs of the two organisations and to offer the community experiences of music and visual arts presented in complement. Members of the respective organisations also receive reciprocal discounts, a common practice among creative organisations in Australia.

These complimentary experiences have already been well received throughout the year says Gina Mobayed, Director of Goulburn Regional Art Gallery.

"Working across art forms has always been part of the Gallery's programs and I have been delighted with the experiences our community has had so far. The coming performances at the Gallery in late October will enhance the experience of the exhibition and showcase the talent at the GRC in a new setting".

Cultural collaboration is important in any regional community, says GRC CEO, Paul Scott-Williams.

"We are excited to link with the Goulburn Regional Art Gallery in practical and meaningful ways. As the two major regional arts organisations, it makes perfect sense for us to find as many ways as possible to support activities and enhance the impact and richness of cultural experiences for our shared regional community and our members. The art works provided for "The Winter Feast" were gorgeous! It is an extra benefit that the Gallery space has such a wonderful acoustic quality too!"

A Goulburn Regional Conservatorium choir - 'Contabile' - performed at the Gallery's March exhibition opening, while a curated selection of works from the Gallery collection featured in "The Winter Feast" dinner in June.

The Gallery's Winter/Spring programme is available now on site and online. 'Coarse Stories', which will feature performances from the GRC, will be on exhibition from the 19<sup>th</sup> October until the 30<sup>th</sup> November. Performance dates will be released closer to the exhibition. The Lieder Theatre and Goulburn Regional Art Gallery members are also able to access reciprocal discounted tickets.

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