

# Grant application

Mullum Chamber is proposing hosting 4 events focussed on rebuilding, celebrating, and sharing across the layers and tribes within the community.

- Creating a place to tell your story without witness or being in the public eye, a remedy to the social media the permeates our world.
- A dinner to bring the community together.
- A physical expression of place through Art
- A community forum, to discover where and how we can all contribute

# THE BLUE CUBE

#### A STORY TELLING CAPSULE

A transportable booth creating a private zone enabling those entering to write their story, leave a thankyou, describe a feeling or leave a photograph.

The collective story telling of the "unprecedented" event we have all experienced or witnessed.

In association with The Brunswick Valley Historical Society and Creative Mullum, we shall create and curate a private booth that can be placed within a public space, where the leaving of thoughts, kindness, images and ideas can be made.

The concept is a simple booth, predominantly blue in colour that can be installed within a venue, or if the weather holds, for a period of time in the street.

It can be placed within venues such as the Services Club, the Civic Hall or even the council chambers.

The end result will be a collective art piece that houses the images, ideas and stories.

A physical alternative to the usual online portals that pervade our every moment.

A private space that allows a different type of anonymity that allows sharing on a compassionate level.

For prosperity, the BVHS, can "scrapbook" the traces left for a real and honest archive.

Simplicity, honesty, integrity, and community

#### **BUDGET \$7 000**

COMPONTENT	COST	IN KIND
Design and engineering	1000	1200
Materials	2500	2000
Production	2000	3000
Promotion and marketing	1000	1200
Positioning and relocating	500	2500

## THE TALKING STREET DINNER

#### THE BREAKING OF BREAD IN BURRINGBAR STREET

The talking street dinner is based on the previous Long Table Dinner event the Chamber of Commerce

Historically the dinner, had a magic power of bringing together the "tribes" of Mullum for a meal to share.

Traditionality commandeering Burringbar St for a long table dinner, restaurants sharing food and theatre and art permeating the scene.

This year the programme will operate slightly differently, more in line with the "Diner en Blanc" ("Dinner in White" in French) is a worldwide event spanning six continents in which people have a meal dressed in white in a temporary dining setup in a public space.

Our version will open the street to dining (as envisaged by the *Shared Streets Programme*). Participants may bring the own table and chairs, enjoy their meal, whether prepared at home or purchased from one of the many restaurants in Mullumbimby and become absorbed in the entertainment.

The street/s will be sectioned, and space allocated for seating, entertainment and if applicable a licensed area.

Circus, music, theatre, light and art will permeate the atmosphere.

Our community has been divided and fractured over the last 2 + years and looked to have cracks that would be difficult to bandage.

Through adversity, the strengths of a community come to the surface and bond us together.

The meal at a table is a way to bring together those bonds that have formed in a social and celebratory way.

The breaking of bread, although an analogy, is a fantastic way to strengthen new connections.

The depths of social layers within this community can be difficult to navigate for newcomers and even challenging for relatively long-term locals.

With a moving dynamic and changing demographic, this dinner provides an opportunity to connect at that deep level.

We can tell stories, enjoy a drink and celebrate what is great about the place we live.

## **BUDGET \$13 300**

COMPONTENT	COST	IN KIND
Layout and planning	2000	2500
Equipment and lighting Hire	1750	1500
Street closure (Byron SC as part of shared streets programme)	1800	1500
Music	1750	2500
Theatre and performance	1000	2500
Art installations	1500	2500

Marketing and promotion	500	1500
Set up, pack down and cleaning	1500	1500
Security	1500	

## THE INGENUITY SMALL SCULPTURE SHOW AND SIDE SHOW

#### **ART OF THE PLACE**

Art has a unique way of telling stories, it enables those who choose not to use the spoken or written word to express their feelings in a way that is profound and often inspiring to the human psyche

We along with Creative Mullum, would like to host a Small Sculpture / Art show.

Following on from the successful maquette show of 2021, which produced a \$10 000 installation in Palm Park and an Art Furniture table / seat, still in production (due to flooding).

This show will offer an opportunity for artists to present their small sculptural works at a local venue, and for the curation of more robust small works integrated into the long table dinner

The local arts community, that have been impacted like no other, from both Covid and the floods, will again be invited to express in a collective exhibition.

An exhibition of local artists work, focussed on Genius Loci (the essence of place) and shown both at an inside exhibition and scattered works throughout the township.

The side show, is envisaged as a forum on how both personal and public art can heal, express, both divide or conquer the soul.

### **BUDGET**

#### \$8 400

COMPONTENT	COST	IN KIND
Venue Hire and catering	1400	2500
Equipment and lighting Hire	1750	1500
Music	750	2500
Marketing and promotion	1700	1500
Guest speakers, facilitation,	1300	1500
Web site	1500	1500

## THE CONNECTION HUB

## A Showcase of Community Volunteer Organisations

#### RESPECT, RESILIENCE AND REBUILDING

With the advent of fires, covid and floods, it is time to reflect, consider, and respond.

The bringing together of the many facets and faces of the community with the Sculpture Show and the Long Table Dinner, offers an opportunity for the agencies and community groups to present their organisation, their role and their vision.

The connection assembly is about observance, reflecting, considering and renewal.

The objectives vary and are widespread, with a focus on resilience and rebuilding.

#### **COMMUNITY AGENCIES + ORGANISATIONS**

A platform for all the local agencies to demonstrate their roles

If you are looking for a place to offer your valuable volunteer hours, where do you go and how do you choose?

A tableau of agencies presented at a time and place where the community will gather.

The smorgasbord is laid out

I have 2 hours week and I like cooking

I am really keen on upskilling and love the comradery of group activities

I can't really offer much, but if you need me happy to have you call to fix someone's door...

Key local agencies that will play a large role in the event are the SES, Red Cross and The Mullum District and Neighbourhood Centre.

The hub will connect and align people, agencies and organisations with hopes, visions and reason, to present a cohesive response to resilience, respect and rebuilding.

#### **BUDGET \$6 800**

COMPONTENT	COST	IN KIND
Promotion and coordination	1500	3000
Hire and catering	1800	2500
Facilitation	1000	1500
Display and data presenting	1300	2500
Equipment hire	1200	1200