

The 2010 Victorian Exhibition Grants Recipients

Museums Australia (Victoria)



The Museums Australia (Victoria) annual Exhibition Grants are available to organisations to develop a collections-based exhibition for either their venue or to tour. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided to organisations to develop a static or touring exhibition, exhibition infrastructure, online exhibitions and digital stories.

Funds can be used to assist with research, concept and content development, exhibition briefs, independent curators, education kits, exhibition design, catalogues, touring manuals, display equipment and infrastructure.

Here are the 2010 projects that received a total of \$60,000 in exhibition funding.

In response to findings from our the Exhibition Capacity Report completed in April 2009 the new Museum Grants program now includes Exhibition Grants and Museum Assistance Grants. In 2010 two new grant categories created opportunities to develop online exhibitions and digital stories. These are the successful 2010 recipients:

Burrinja Gallery

Received \$7,460 under Exhibition Infrastructure to upgrade their gallery lighting. The Burrinja Gallery is located at 351 Glenfern Road, Upwey.

Counihan Gallery In Brunswick

Received \$5,267 under Exhibition Development for the exhibition *Reflections and Ruminations: an exhibition of selected artworks from the Moreland Art Collection exploring social and environmental themes*. The exhibition will showcase artworks from the Moreland Art Collection that focuses on humanist themes such as identity politics and environmental issues. The Counihan Gallery In Brunswick is located at 233 Sydney Rd, Brunswick.

Creswick Museum

Received \$7,696 under Exhibition Infrastructure for *The Peacock and the Kookaburra* exhibition for framing, graphic design and imaging. This exhibition will tell the story of Alexander Peacock who was born in Creswick and served in State Parliament for forty-four years, was Premier three times and the speaker of the House when he died in 1933. The Creswick Museum is located in 70 Albert St, Creswick.

Geelong Gallery

Received \$2,200 under Exhibition Infrastructure to purchase frames. The Geelong Art Gallery is located in Little Malop Street, Geelong.

Museum of Chinese Australian History
Received \$9,990 under Exhibition Infrastructure to acquire removable walls and display plinths. The Museum of Chinese Australian History is located at 22 Cohen Place, Melbourne.

Melbourne Athenaeum Incorporated

Received \$9,532 under Exhibition Development to engage a curator, purchase a hanging system, brochure and postcard for the exhibition, *The Melbourne Athenaeum: a pictorial display of Melbourne's oldest cultural institution*. This exhibition will show the important role that the Melbourne Athenaeum played in the development of Melbourne. The Melbourne Athenaeum is located in Level 1, 188 Collins Street, Melbourne.

Queenscliffe Historical Museum Inc.

Received \$10,000 under Exhibition Infrastructure to develop their exhibition space. The Queenscliffe Historical Museum is located at 49 Hesse Street.

Yarra Ranges Regional Museum

Received \$7,800 under Exhibition Development for concept development and production for the exhibition, *My Life My Yarra Ranges*. This exhibition responded to material gathered during a community campaign known as Memory Bank. The exhibition will utilise multimedia to display stories with interpretation through oral history, film and objects. The Yarra Ranges Regional Museum is currently under redevelopment.

The next round of grants will open in July 2011. For more information call Georgia Rouette on (03) 8341 7342 or go to: www.mavic.asn.au/grants

Above left the Creswick Museum, photo by MA (Vic). *Right* installation view of the *Trouble in Toyland* exhibition, 2009, Counihan Gallery In Brunswick. Photo courtesy Counihan Gallery.