Indigenous music stars in new TV show

Hannah Muir

A talented local musician will soon be taking part in a television talent show.

New NT TV program Our Songs showcases indigenous musicians from around the globe who are critiqued by a panel of judges.

The program was written and produced by Alice Springs resident Dale Laughton and is hosted by local musician Catherine Satour.

Ms Satour, who is one of three on the hosting panel, said it was “a lot of fun” filming the show.

“It’s a really fun show, we laughed non-stop and I hope that people laugh at us and with us,” she said.

Each episode of the programs focuses on a different country, with each act critiqued by the panel.

The program airs on NT TV tonight at 8.30pm.

A message from: Congress’ Alukura Women’s Clinic

From Monday 2 March 2015 Congress’ Alukura Women’s Clinic is introducing an appointment system to improve its service.

To make an appointment or for more information call Alukura on 8953 2727.

$50k for Aboriginal art award

ARISTS from Alice Springs to Atyangula, Papatunya to Pepimera are invited to enter and vie for the country’s most prestigious annual indigenous art award.

Entries are being called for the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award (NATSIAA) now in its 32nd year. The $50,000 first prize Telstra Award will go to the most outstanding work.

The five other categories are worth $5000 each.

Indigenous artists are urged to contact the exhibition coordinator at the Museum and Art Gallery at 8999 8287, email natsiaa@nt.gov.au, or visit www.nt.gov.au/natsiaa and submit their entry before March 20.

Drains safety effort sinks in

A FACEBOOK campaign aiming to raise awareness of the dangers of pipes and drains in the NT has reached more than 100,000 people.

In the first week of the Territory Government’s Stay out of Pipes and Drains campaign, the Water Safety Facebook page received the most hits for a NT government You Tube account. It has had 105,000 views.

The campaign was developed with the Royal Life Saving Society of the NT and in consultation with the family of Richard Baird who tragically drowned in the Top End early last year.

A $100,000 NT Government at a cost of $50,000.

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Nursing & Midwifery Excellence Awards

Final call for nominations

Nominate a nurse or midwife in one of the following categories:

- Aged, Disability & Residential Care
- Enrolled Nurse
- Lifetime Achievement
- Midwifery
- Hospital Care
- Leadership
- Education, Research & Innovation
- Graduate of the Year
- Remote Health
- Primary Health Care
- Mental Health

Nominations close Friday 27 February 2015

To obtain a nomination form or more information go to:

www.nursing.nt.gov.au

Call 1800 000 648

or email: nursing.info@nt.gov.au

www.nt.gov.au/health

Spread word on strokes

Jessica Brown

CENTRALIANS are being called on to help fight a killer disease, which more than 2000 Territorians are living with.

The National Stroke Foundation is seeking Alice Springs residents interested in becoming volunteers to help spread the word about stroke across the Territory.

Local StrokeSafe ambassador Fiona Hartnett encourages those interested to join.

She decided to become an ambassador for a number of reasons, including personal experience.

Her mother suffered a stroke as a side-effect of breast cancer treatment, while her grandmother passed away within 24 hours after experiencing a stroke.

“To see family members become disabled and lose their independence has been heartbreaking and brings home the message stroke can happen at any age to anyone,” she said.

“I became an ambassador to give back to the community. “It’s a simple thing I can do to spread the word and help people lead healthier lives and avoid having a stroke.”

She said 30 per cent of strokes occur in people under the age of 60 for multiple reasons, but it can be prevented.

“It is important to look after your health,” she said.

Data from the National Stroke Foundation reveals Territorians suffered more than 200 strokes last year.

For more information, contact Suzanne Larson on (03) 9988 7220 or volunteer@strokefoundation.com.au.

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