

## Running Rivers: Pulsation of Place – International Opportunity to Develop Networks and Partnerships

**Recipient:** Kuweni Dias Mendis

**Funded Amount:** \$2,980.23

**Location:** Beechmont, QLD, 4211

Kuweni Dias Mendis been selected as one of ten artists to create and present new work titled “Running Rivers: Pulsation of Place” for the "Routes We Take" group exhibition, hosted by EUNIC (European Union National Institute for Culture) and Good Life X in Sri Lanka in August 2024. Running Rivers is a contemporary arts project that explores themes of belonging, regeneration, and migrant identity through our connection with waterways.

## Project Man-Song

**Recipient:** Blokes Choir Townsville

**Funded Amount:** \$944

**Location:** Kirwan, QLD, 4817

Project Man-Song is a series of men’s singing workshops hosted by Blokes Choir Townsville. The project has three components: singing workshops led by a special guest vocal director, professional development for school and community choir leaders; and Man-Song Finale including an Open Stage providing participating ensembles and the Massed Choir opportunity to perform in a friendly community concert environment.

## Recording and for digital and CD of String Quartet No.1 by David W Pyke

**Recipient:** David Pyke

**Funded Amount:** \$1,172

**Location:** Port Douglas, QLD, 4895

Phasma Music, coordinated by Dr Iwona Glinka, will produce a new album of String Quartet music for international distribution of the Naxos label which will include David Pyke's work *String Quartet No. 1* in September 2024. In addition, there will be a public concert held of the new works in Lviv, Ukraine in late September as a subsequent activity of the recording project.

## Film Prospects

**Recipient:** Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival Inc

**Funded Amount:** \$4,500

**Location:** Gympie, QLD, 4570

Film Prospects aims to inspire young people and creatives of the Gympie region through the art of short film. Driven by the Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival, the Festival's Program Curator Emily Avila will facilitate workshops in storytelling, screenwriting, cinematography and other aspects of creating movies over three days. HoGISFF will offer a creative space for people to connect, learn and express themselves through film, through skills building workshops during the festival in September.

## Artist-in-Residence, Shetland Islands, UK

**Recipient:** Diana (Hannah) Parker

**Funded Amount:** \$1,441

**Location:** Holloways Beach, QLD, 4878

Diana (Hannah) Parker will attend a 4-week artist residency at The Booth, Scalloway, Shetland. Due to their ancestral connections, Hannah uses Shetland traditional stories and imagery to explore questions of identity living here in a colonised country through printmaking, watercolour, textiles and oral storytelling. During the residency Hannah will research and develop ideas, create new works, network, and investigate language, stories and cultural practices, such as weaving techniques and the connection to place.

## Headline Artist at Spanish Music Festival

**Recipient:** Khalida De Ridder

**Funded Amount:** \$3,000

**Location:** Atherton, QLD, 4883

Khalida De Ridder will perform as a headline artist at 'Horizontes Classics' music festival in Spain alongside concert pianist Hugo Selles. This international showcase opportunity will support professional development via collaboration with her Spanish musician peer and delivering multiple programs of music, which include Australia folk works arranged by Khalida. The concerts will be recorded and encourage further international collaboration and engagement.