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Dear valued community member

### **Expression of Interest (EOI) for Taungurung and Yorta Yorta Representatives on Reconciliation Action Plan Artwork Commission Panel**

Benalla Rural City Council invites expressions of interest from qualified individuals to join the selection panel for the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Artwork Commission. The panel will assess artist applications and play a vital role in selecting Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artists to create artwork/s that reflect the local culture of Benalla Rural City.

#### **Panel Role:**

The selected Taungurung and Yorta Yorta representatives will join a diverse panel responsible for shortlisting artists, reviewing concept designs, and recommending the final artist/s for the Commission. The successful applicant will be paid at a rate of \$100 per hour plus travel expenses to attend two panel meetings in Benalla, Tuesday 5 March 2pm-5pm and Tuesday 9 April 2pm-5pm.

#### **Requirements:**

1. In-depth knowledge and connection to Yorta Yorta and/or Taungurung Country.
2. Understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art and culture.
3. Commitment to the principles of reconciliation and community representation.
4. Willingness to attend panel meetings and contribute to the selection process.
5. Availability to meet with other panellists twice; the panel will meet twice as detailed above

#### **Expression of Interest Submission:**

Interested individuals are required to submit:

1. A letter outlining their connection to Yorta Yorta and/or Taungurung Country.
2. A brief CV highlighting relevant experience.
3. A statement expressing their commitment to reconciliation and community representation.

#### **Submission Deadline:**

Expressions of interest must be received by Benalla Rural City Council by close of business on Friday, 23 February 2024.

**Submission Method:**

Email: [council@benalla.vic.gov.au](mailto:council@benalla.vic.gov.au)

Subject: RAP Artwork Commission Panel EOI

Or

Mail: Jane Archbold, Manager Community

Benalla Rural City Council

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Or

In person: Benalla Rural City Council Customer Service Centre

1 Bridge Street East, Benalla

**Selection Process:**

Council will convene a panel comprising five members, with a majority being Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. The Yorta Yorta and Taungurung representatives will be selected based on their qualifications, commitment, and connection to Yorta Yorta and/or Taungurung Country.

**Key Dates:**

- Friday 23 February: EOI for Panel Position Deadline
- Thursday 29 February: Artwork Commission Panel selected and announced
- Friday 1 March: Artist EOI Submission Deadline
- Tuesday 5 March 2pm-5pm Panel meeting
- Friday 8 March: Shortlisted artists advised
- Friday 5 April: Concept design submissions due
- Tuesday 9 April 2pm-5pm Panel meeting
- Friday 12 April: Selected artist/s to commission advised
- Friday 28 June: Completed artwork delivered to Council

**Contact:**

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Benalla Rural City Council appreciates your interest and commitment to fostering reconciliation through the arts.

Yours sincerely

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