

Expression of Interest



Artwork design for North Central CMA's new cultural garden

As flood repair work continues across the region, the North Central Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is assessing damage done to local waterways and the assets built to protect and enhance them.

The North Central Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is seeking expressions of interest (EOIs) from First Nations artists for contribution to our new Cultural Garden space.

As part of the North Central CMA's new Stretch, Reconciliation Action Plan 2022-2025, it was identified that development of a new garden space would contribute towards improving Cultural Safety at the organisation's office, located in Huntly, Victoria.

The outcomes from developing the new garden may include:

- To help create a culturally safe environment
- To provide a welcoming outdoor meeting space
- To provide a place for Ceremony

The groundwork has commenced and as part of the finishing touches to the space, the North Central CMA seeks to install seven steel screens that represent the First Nations People through creative art pieces and communities we work with.

The North Central CMA works together with seven Traditional Owner Groups (Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung, Barapa Barapa, Wadi Wadi, Wamba Wemba, Yorta Yorta and Barengi Gadjin) to support the management of waterways, land and cultural heritage across the North Central CMA region.

Project Brief

We invite input from **each** of these groups in the form of an artwork to be depicted on the above-mentioned screens

- Artworks will be laser cut into a weathering ('corten') steel screen of 900mm wide and 1800mm tall.
- Screens will be installed with a timber post either side and will be displayed side by side adjacent to the garden.

- Artworks are to be sufficiently simple in design to allow laser cutting without reducing strength of the screen.
- Artwork may be newly designed or an existing artwork
- The organisation has sought and received support from DJAARA to display artworks from the seven Traditional Owner groups, to be installed on Djaara land.
- The artists name, title of the artwork and recognition of the Traditional Owner group will be displayed along with the artwork on a small plaque.
- Artwork will only be used for this intended purpose
- The fee for each design is \$1,000 (one per Traditional Owner group represented)
- The closing date for applications is 4th February 2023

Please submit your application at <http://www.bit.ly/eoigardens>

Contact Cass Davis at the CMA on cass.davis@nccma.vic.gov.au or 0431 583 991 or 03 5440 1863 for more information.

Eol closes Friday, 10 February 2023

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