



MEDIA RELEASE

Artback NT: Arts Development and Touring passes the 2 Million Mark!

Following the hugely successful exhibition *Good Strong Powerful* which launched its national tour with three months at Australia's premiere gallery, the National Gallery of Australia, Artback NT is extremely excited to announce that it has promoted NT artists to an audience of over **2 million**.

Since 1994, Artback NT: Arts Development and Touring (Artback NT) has been touring the Visual Arts and, following the amalgamation with Circuit North in 1998, has also become the Performing Arts touring organisation for the Territory. Artback NT tells uniquely Territory stories across four artistic program strands including Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Indigenous Traditional Dance and Contemporary Music Touring.

Since 1994, Artback NT has delivered arts experiences to 473 venues across Australia. Of these 245 were within the Northern Territory, including 63 Indigenous communities.

Chair, Chips Mackinolty said

I know, from living and working in places across remote areas how valuable touring exhibitions and performances are to Territorians who live away from major centres.... In important ways, Artback NT is the unsung hero of the Territory arts scene.

Executive Officer, Louise Partos said

Artists and audiences in the Northern Territory are isolated. Artback NT is uniquely positioned to address this as the organisation reaches regional and remote audiences within the Northern Territory with high quality arts experiences and profiles NT artists nationally. No other organisation in Australia does this.

Artback NT's purpose

Leading Regional Arts throughout the Territory by delivering art to and from remote and regional areas: linking communities, empowering artists, presenting quality cultural experiences and facilitating local and national outcomes.

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