

CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN SILVER & METALWORK EXHIBITION BUDA 2009

Seeking Expressions of Interest from Australian Silver & Metalsmiths - August 2008

Buda Historic Home and Garden Inc. is seeking expressions of interest from professional silversmiths for its forthcoming biennial **Contemporary Australian Silver and Metalwork Exhibition Buda 2009** to be held at Castlemaine, Victoria in **June 2009**. A selection of exhibits will then be chosen to tour to other venues during 2009-2010 including the Arts Centre, Melbourne.

This exhibition aims to show a representative survey of contemporary silver and metalwork in Australia, encouraging and promoting work in gold, silver and other metals. Since the inaugural exhibition in 1988, Buda Historic Home and Garden Incorporated has mounted this biennial exhibition of contemporary silver and metalwork. It is now a well established and prestigious event, and the only ongoing award exhibition offered for hollow-ware in Australia, attracting artists from across the nation.

Entry categories for silver and metalwork are:

THE LEVINY COMMEMORATIVE AWARD

Silversmithing and metalsmithing of a functional or non-functional nature

A recognition for excellence in design, craftsmanship and originality

Criteria: Entries to be in silver, gold or non precious metal.

Some subordinate use of complementary material can be used where appropriate.

Award \$1,500.00 - \$3,500 (TBC)

THE AUSTRALIAN DECORATIVE & FINE ARTS SOCIETY (MELBOURNE) AWARD

Silversmithing and metalsmithing of a functional or non-functional nature

A recognition for excellence in design, craftsmanship and originality by an emerging artist*

Criteria: Entries to be in silver, gold or non precious metal.

Some subordinate use of complementary material can be used where appropriate.

*Artist with up to five years experience in the profession (post training)

Award \$1,500

THE ARTS CENTRE SILVER ACQUISITIVE AWARD

Sponsored by the Maxwell and Merle Carroll Fund and the Victorian Arts Centre Trust

A silver work by an artist inspired by, or interpreting Australian performing arts.

(eg. theatre, opera, music, dance, circus)

A recognition for excellence in silver design, craftsmanship and originality

Criteria: Entries to be predominantly silver. Some subordinate use of complementary material can be used where appropriate.

Acquisitive Award \$8,000

The winning work will become part of the Maxwell & Merle Carroll Silver Collection at the Arts Centre.

If you wish to be considered for inclusion in this exciting exhibition please send or email a brief curriculum vitae with images of recent works to Buda Historic Home and Garden by Monday September 29th 2008.

(Note: Exhibitors from previous years do not need to submit a C.V. and images as they are automatically included in our 2009 invitations database)

For further information please contact Lairetta at Buda Email: curator@budacastlemaine.org

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The Arts Centre Silver Acquisitive Award Winner 2009
The Flying Fruit Fly Circus badoon kang
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