

enlighten

AN ART PROJECTION PROJECT EMBRACING AND CELEBRATING CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY

Enlighten: To give [someone] greater knowledge and understanding about a subject or situation.

GOALS

The Enlighten project supports the City of Greater Bendigo's vision for Greater Bendigo to be Australia's most livable regional city. It aims to use public art to promote the community as a welcoming place for all residents, including those with diverse cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this art project is to increase social inclusion and awareness of cultural and religious diversity in Greater Bendigo by engaging and assisting young people (aged between 15 and 25 years) to develop an art project for the Bendigo Festival of Cultures in March 2016.

OUTCOMES/DELIVERABLES

- A series of workshops and mentoring events to introduce young people to cultural and religious diversity and explore how this might be shared through the practice of public art
- Present an arts project for the Festival of Cultures in March 2016
- Produce a catalogue of the project work to acknowledge those involved

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

If you live in Greater Bendigo, are aged between 15 and 25 years, and have an interest in supporting cultural diversity, religious freedom and human rights, then the Enlighten project gives you the opportunity to make a difference.

Are you creative and want to use your skills and talent to contribute to an innovative public art project? Make a commitment to join the team and be offered mentoring and workshops with artists, diverse communities, religious leaders and human rights advocates.

This project features opportunities to build your skills profile and your contribution will be included in a public art catalogue – great for your resume and portfolio.

If you are over 25 and keen to assist please nominate as a mentor or volunteer.

WHAT IS THE PROJECT ABOUT?

The Enlighten project is an opportunity to share an art experience with the public that has been developed by local young people following their participation in a number of creative activities. These activities will take place over the next five months to increase the inclusion and participation of young people in understanding cultural diversity.

These activities will explore how human rights principles and multiculturalism can be applied to all aspects of community life. At a deeper level, this project will demonstrate an understanding and application of human rights such as freedom of thought, movement, expression and peaceful assembly.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERYONE!

Workshops start in December and will be tailored to meet the interests and needs of the youth involved. Please express if you have a particular area of interest.

- Public artists (15 to 25 years of age)
- CALD groups
- Schools/education institutions
- Youth groups
- Religious groups
- Cultural groups
- Mentors/coaches
- Interview/narrative / qualitative inquiry
- Events management
- Human rights activists
- Photography and video
- Sound and light projection
- Animation, graphic design and illustration
- Art tour guides
- Technical and installation assistance
- IT to build mobile apps

SUMMARY TIME-LINE

November, 2015	Nominate to be involved
December, 2015	Workshops – Mentors
January, 2016	Make work
February 2016	Share and test work
March 13-19, 2016	Present at the Bendigo Festival of Cultures
April 2016	Catalogue and DVD presented