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### EXCITING ARTS PROJECTS FOR MCKINLAY SHIRE

Projects including mosaics, circus workshops and comedy performances are amongst the latest creative projects funded through the Regional Arts Development Fund from McKinlay Shire Council, announced Mayor Belinda Murphy.

*"In this round of funding from the Regional Arts Development Fund, a unique partnership between the Queensland Government and McKinlay Shire Council, we will see stimulating arts projects come to life totalling \$17,330."*

Upcoming projects include the "Brisbane Comedy Festival – On tour" being held 9<sup>th</sup> May 2020 which entails international superstars to local dive-bar legends. Featuring a stellar line-up of Brisbane Comedy Festival 2020's most laugh-inducing Queenslanders.

Other projects funded include a "Flipside Circus 4-day Residency" which is to conduct a 4-day residency to engage local children and have them learn new and amazing circus skills. Flipside's programs provide a unique opportunity for young people to show off, take risks, trust, dream and aspire, work hard, laugh, and have fun!

The "Racing Ahead Past the Post Mosaic" is a mosaic art piece in the Julia Creek Turf Club facility that will result in a race day-themed visual art piece. A unique eye-catching piece of artwork will be popular for the four annual race meetings. This art piece will enable the Julia Creek Turf Club to engage with a local emerging artist that will become an iconic part of life in our Julia Creek community.

*Minister for the Arts Leanne Enoch said the Palaszczuk Government was proud to continue its RADF partnership with local governments with an investment of \$2.08 million, through Arts Queensland, for the 2019-20 fund.*

*"This investment will support the delivery of hundreds of arts experiences and professional development opportunities across the state," Ms Enoch said.*

*"Projects funded through RADF provide pathways for learning, contribute to the creation of jobs, foster creativity and boost cultural tourism."*

#### **ENDS**

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