

A moulding experience for aspiring SA artists



Sparkle Berg, 2014, Amy Joy Watson with Khyall, Xeannah, Andrew, William, Lachlan, Sarah, Shajuana, Chloe and Selina. Photo Sam Roberts.

A unique art installation created by children from Adelaide's northern suburbs will be celebrated at a special community event.

Titled *Sparkle Berg*, the installation is the joint effort of South Australian artist Amy Joy Watson and a group of young people from Davoren Park.

It was created during Amy's artistic residency at Pom Pom, a new contemporary art space dedicated to engaging children and their families.

Amy worked with a group of enthusiastic children who have regularly attended workshops since Pom Pom opened in October 2013.

"We worked together as they developed skills in casting and moulding, creating a collaborative exhibition that they, their families and the community can enjoy," said Amy.

"Engaging with the children on a contemporary art project was an exceptionally rewarding experience."

As recipient of the *2013 Qantas Foundation Encouragement of Australian Contemporary Art Award*, Amy was required to undertake a Community Residency project; an outcome designed to broaden the reach of contemporary art and share it with local communities.

Located in Davoren Park, Pom Pom offers hands-on creative workshops delivered by leading artists, many with an international profile, during the school holidays and throughout the school term.

"Pom Pom's arts programs maximise opportunities for the Davoren Park community to engage with creative arts activities," said Carclew's Public Art Manager, Annemarie Kohn.

“By nature, the arts offer avenues in which to experiment without judgement and Pom Pom programs can be flexible according to the environment, needs and wants of the children.”

Pom Pom is open 11am-3pm every Saturday during the school term and each weekday of the autumn school holidays (excluding public holidays).

For further details on Carclew's Pom Pom, opening hours and workshop program, please visit carclew.com.au or find us on Facebook (fb.com/carclewHQ) and Twitter (@carclew).

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Sparkle Berg

Residency and Exhibition Celebration

What - *Sparkle Berg* is a collaborative installation created by Amy Joy Watson and children of Davoren Park.

When - 3-4pm Saturday 15 March 2014.

Where – Pom Pom (Davoren Park Shopping Centre, 45 Peachey Road, Davoren Park).

Who – Everyone's welcome. All activities at Pom Pom are FREE.

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