BEN LAYCOCK

COMMUNITY ARTS CURRICULUM VITAE

- 2006 ECOLOGICAL TIMELINE MURAL Received a grant from Mt.Alexander Shire as Part of 'Footprints' ecological art project, which received a United Nations World Environment Day Special Comendation

 The mural depicts the ecological footprint of the Shire at four points in time:

 The koori era (pre colonial) The gold rush (ecological holocaust) The present and the
- 2005 TONKSCULPTURE PRIZE Coordinated the 4th biannual sculpture exhibition in Victory Park, Castlemaine as part of the Fringe Festival

utopian future when we have achieved a sustainable community

- 2004 INDEPENDENT LEARNING PROJECT Mentored Castlemaine Secondary College students in making a ferro-cement lover's seat
- 2003 WINTER'S FLAT MOSAIC Jointly received an artists in schools grant to create a mosaic tile mural with students at Winter's Flat Primary School COMMUNITY HOUSE FENCE 2 -Worked with Castlemaine Secondary College students to create a mural MAMUNYA FESTIVAL Currated an exhibition by Bushwazie environmental art movement
- 2002 YAKANARRA Worked as a caretaker for 2 months at Yakanarra aboriginal community in the Kimberly region of W.A. This involved running the store and ordering everything from Perth via the Internet.
- 2001 MARREE ABORIGINAL SCHOOL Participated in a School Holiday Program at the Marree Aboriginal School in central South Australia. A group of nine artists and performers from Castlemaine went to Marree and helped the kids produce linocuts, a ferro-cement entranceway to the school and a circus performance.
- 2000 THE JOURNAL Arts editor of The Journal, a local community newspaper.
- 1998 CASTLEMAINE FRINGE FESTIVAL Visual Arts coordinator, organizing exhibitions in 25 venues involving over 250 artists.
- 1996 CASTLEMAINE CULTURAL COLUMNS This involved working with various Ethnic groups to produce images of their culture to adorn concrete power poles in the C.B.D. of Castlemaine.

 PORT FAIRY FOLK FESTIVAL Helped produce the Port Fairy Folk Festival 20th Anniversary celebrations. My role involved making large mobile papier-mache lanterns and fire sculptures. (Images made of flammable material that are set alight.)
- 1993 Built a house.
- 1992 Moved to Castlemaine, Central Victoria.
- 1990 EL SALVADORIAN MURAL 2 Painted with the El Salvadorian community of Kensington, Melbourne.
- 1988 EL SALVADORIA N MURAL 1 Received a Vic Health grant to produce a mural with the El Salvadorian community in Kensington, Melbourne.
- 1986 NOONKENBAH MURAL Produced a community mural with the kids at the Noonkenbah Aboriginal School in The Kimberly, Western Australia.
- THE GALLEON Joint recipient of a \$104,000 C.D.E.P. grant to set up Other Galleon community cafe in St. Kilda, Melbourne.
 NICARAGUA MURAL Received an Australia Council travel grant to produce a community mural in Managua, Nicaragua, Central America.

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