



What's New?

Success Again - 2014 Edventures Charity Art Auction

On Thursday 3 July 2014 – Edventures WA conducted the second annual “Making Changes from Inside” Charity Art Auction. The evening was a great success raising much needed funding for Edventures WA to continue its programs to support ‘at risk’ youth in the South East Metropolitan corridor of Perth. For those of you who have followed the Edventures story, you will be aware that all artwork created for the event is donated by men and women serving time in WA correctional facilities.

The event was proudly sponsored & supported by Pacific Energy and the WA Department of Corrective Services.

We were fortunate to secure the support of some terrific and generous people on the night including:

- The Honourable Sean L'Estrange MLA – Member for Churchlands on behalf of the Corrective Services Minister - The Honourable Joe Francis MLA;
- Donna Cole, “LastSay” Communications – Master of Ceremonies;
- Dennis Eggington, CEO Aboriginal Legal Services – Acknowledgement to Country;
- Bryan Mathers, Prison Art Director, DCS – Guest Speaker;
- Sam Mannino, Peard Real Estate, - Art Auctioneer.

Dennis Eggington said: “It is an honour to support Edventures WA and the valuable work they do in the community with ‘at risk’ young people.”

The event sponsorship and art sales raised \$20,000 for Edventures WA and the Board and staff were grateful to all those who attended and joined in on the spirit of the event. The Edventures Board would also like to thank all the correctional facility residents and staff that worked so hard to deliver the exceptional artwork presented at the Lynton & Kay City Gallery on the night. These friends of Edventures WA donated an enormous amount of time and effort for the sole purpose of funding our after school care programs that support ‘at risk’ youth. This generosity was recognised and commended by The Honourable Sean L'Estrange MLA during his speech.



“If we had programs like this growing up, we wouldn't be in here”

- DETAINEE CASUARINA DETENTION CENTRE

At Edventures WA we seek to ensure all event participants that contribute to our benevolent fund raising events benefit from the experience. We hope that the generous artists benefit through the:

- Positive emotional impact of “giving back” to the community;
- Validation of their artistic talent through artwork sale;
- Encouragement of a new activity focus post-detention release;
- Building self-esteem and worth; and
- Creating a positive medium for emotional expression.

Edventures WA General Manager Brayden Zeer said, “The Charity Art Auction requires generosity, co-operation and planning from numerous stake holders, often with competing interests. The success of the event confirms that helping each other and diverting resources to maximise the opportunities for our young people to lead prosperous & productive lives is valued by the WA community.”



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Young Women's and Men's Program

The 2014 Young Women's & Men's Program is achieving some outstanding outcomes. We recently completed a new video presentation that captures the year's activities to date. We invite you to view the video link that is posted above.

In the last school term we have been focusing on: building self confidence and self worth; connecting young people with their communities and teaching practical life skills. Some examples of the sessions have included things like:

Practical Life Skills

- Constructing a billy-cart

Teaching the benefits of exercise, rest and taking care of our bodies

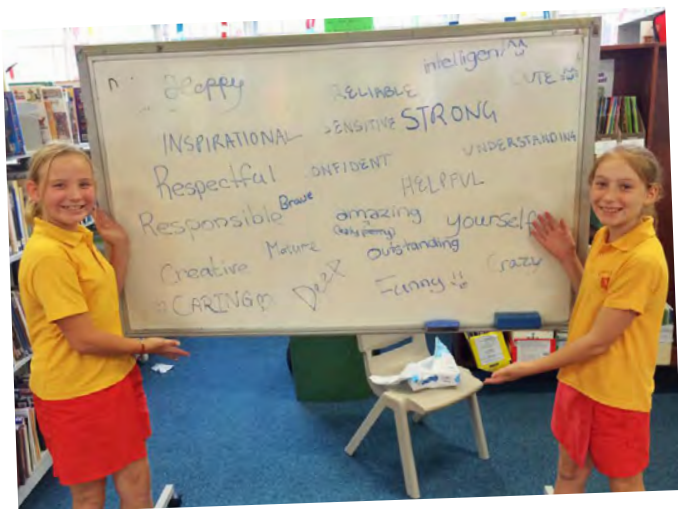
- Doing yoga and dance sessions, teaching about health and hygiene

Diversity appreciation workshops

- Preparing and eating healthy foods from other cultures, presenting our unique talents and skills

Positive self-image workshops

- Talking about the things that hold us back, and the things that make us beautiful



We have received positive feedback on the behaviour and personal growth of the young men and women that participate from schools and parents. Our Youth Workers or Edventures "Life Changers" have noted a significant improvement in participants maturity, self confidence and mindfulness. This is a terrific result and we are achieving the outcomes we continue to strive for. Our Life Changer team is looking forward to watching our young people develop further over the remainder of the year.

The young people that participate in Edventures' programs are provided with opportunities for developing life skills and competencies in a supportive environment. This is achieved through the delivery of weekly after school program's that are long-term, safe, consistent, predictable and flexible to the needs of our young people.

Edventures' programs are facilitated by experienced and caring, non-judgemental youth workers who receive regular supervision and support.

"I feel like this is a place where I can be myself"
 ~ YOUNG MEN'S PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



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We Welcome Our New President

Edventures WA has a policy of President rotation. The current Edventures WA President, Mark Fitzpatrick handed the Presidency over to Adam Boyd after the Charity Art Auction. Mark held the position of President for 2 years and guided Edventures through a significant period of Board and strategic change. The Edventures Board & staff wish to acknowledge Mark's exceptional contribution towards the continued positive growth of Edventures WA.

Adam, our new President has been a Board member of Edventures WA for 2 years and more recently accepted the Vice President role. He has been a key contributor to organisational change, funding strategies & management and has worked closely with Mark to expand and grow Edventures programs, events and community support activities.

We are also excited to formally welcome two new Board members to Edventures:

Jane Doyle, Clinical Psychologist - State Child Development Centre; and
Mark Clark, Managing Director – Regis Resources Limited.

Mark and Jane add significant capability, experience and resources to the Edventures WA Board. We are lucky that they share our view that productive, resilient and committed young people are key to the future prosperity and quality of life of the WA Community.



Adam Boyd
- President of Edventures WA

New Board Members join the Edventures WA Family



Mark Clark – Managing Director Regis Resources

Mr Clark has over 20 years experience in corporate advisory and public company management. Prior to joining Regis Resources Limited Mr Clark was the Managing Director of Equigold NL.

“I think Edventures is delivering innovative programs for kids with a real need and I look forward to contributing to insure that the programs continue to prosper and grow.”

Jane Doyle – Clinical Psychologist State Child Development Centre

Jane is a Clinical Psychologist currently employed at the State Child Development Centre as a Clinical Psychologist Coordinator. She has held this position since August 2004.

“I hope that my expertise can go towards Edventures staff building safe and successful programs for young people”



Thanks to our Partners and Supporters

Edventures is very fortunate to receive funding and collaborative support for our programs and events from businesses that share the Edventures WA objective of supporting and developing programs that support youth to make positive life choices. Our Partners have enabled our organisation to help more people.

If you would like to become an Edventures WA Partner, please contact our President **Adam Boyd** on: **043 969 3556**

A big thank you to our sponsors for continuing to support and enhance WA's future prosperity.