Small Voices Made Loud in Big Spaces
A Contemporary Art Performance Featuring Spectacular Projections on the Tootool Silo

The Cad Factory artists Vic and Sarah McEwan have collaborated with local students from the Greater Kengal Small Schools Network to create a unique and cutting edge contemporary performance event on Friday 26 October at the Tootool Silo.

Vic and Sarah McEwan received an Extended Residency in Schools grant which enabled the two artists to work for over three months with the students of Boree Creek, Milbrulong, Pleasant Hills and Yerong Creek Public Schools. The funding is a partnership between Arts NSW, Australia Council for the Arts and the Department of Education and Communities in order for students to work with professional artists to create new work. Other important objectives of the funding is to provide insights into the working lives of artists and to encourage and develop future artists and arts audiences.

Each school was given a topic relating to their community including living in a remote community/population drift, ageing population, people’s impact on nature and nature’s impact on people. Over eight weeks in Term 3 Vic and Sarah conducted workshops exploring these topics through conversations, drawing, songwriting, experimental music making and performance.

The result of these workshops will be presented at the Tootool Silo courtesy of GrainCorp supporting the event, where the artists will create huge, spectacular projections of the students work. The artists will use video mapping software to create a dynamic and cutting edge performance.

This is a free community event and people are welcome to arrive at the silo from 6:30pm onwards for a BBQ, with all money raised going to support the Greater Kengal Small Schools Network. The performance will take place once the sun has set, around 7:45pm.

Both artists have enjoyed working on the project and Sarah McEwan says, “there’s some very talented and creative students in our community. It’s been great to share our knowledge and we’re amazed at how the students have embraced working with us. It’s been such a fun experience. The performance night will be a real celebration of the hard work the students, teachers, support staff and parents have put in to make this event possible.”

Principal from Boree Creek PS Jennifer Lumsden said “Working with Vic and Sarah McEwan from The Cad Factory has been an amazing experience for our children. To see their ideas integrated into such a ‘hi-tech presentation’ has exposed our children to art at a whole new level that children from small isolated schools don’t often have a chance to be involved in. Who knows where this experience will take them in their lives!”
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Friday 26 October, 2012
Tootool Silo, Lockhart-The Rock Rd, Tootool
6:30pm BBQ
7:45pm Performance
This is a free community event
More Details: www.cadfactory.com.au

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