



***The catalyst in developing creative, open-minded young  
Western Australians who are engaged with the world***

Media statement

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**Carnarvon... where food becomes AWESOME Art!**

AWESOME's regional program Creative Challenge kicks off in Carnarvon today with 'Feast,' a food art project for young people. The AWESOME artists in residence will work with the young people of Carnarvon Senior High School to create wondrous works of art out of food.

Creative Challenge uses arts projects to encourage young people to explore their identity, build skills and express what is unique about their community. Each project is a two-week residency in 10 regional and remote communities and then celebrated in a local exhibition. These works are then showcased in Perth at the *AWESOME International Arts Festival for Bright Young Things* held in the Perth CBD in November.

AWESOME artists Rose Skinner and Sarah Wilkinson will facilitate workshops in which the young people of Carnarvon will create stunning sculptures out of food materials and recycled or found objects from within the community and surrounds.

"Creative Challenge is an opportunity for me to interact with young minds in their domain, it is the occasion to learn from each other to enrich our ideas and explore concepts of creativity to develop into works that inspire" said Rose.

The 2008 Creative Challenge 'Feast' project will visit 10 remote communities in the Goldfields (Kalgoorlie, Wiluna and Leonora), Mid West (Mullewa, Morawa and Pia Wadjari), Kimberley (Jarlmadangah Community), Gascoyne (Carnarvon) and the Wheatbelt (Lake Grace).

The culinary creations of Carnarvon can be viewed at a final community celebration. These artworks will showcase an exploration of community, environment, family and history of the young people of Carnarvon.

Rose and Sarah will also be running food art workshops at the 2008 Carnarvon Tropicool Festival on Saturday 26 July from 9am-12pm at Growers Market and from 2-5pm at Town Beach.

Each community's artworks will be celebrated in an installation at the *AWESOME International Arts Festival for Bright Young Things* in Perth, running from 16-23 November 2008.

AWESOME works to inspire and encourage creativity amongst young people in Western Australia.

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