



## USQ CELEBRATES NAIDOC WEEK

ABOVE: Maree Toombs from Kumbari says the theme of NAIDOC week is respect the past and believe in the future.

BY AMY CASS  
PHOTOGRAPH BY ELIZABETH BULL

*For non-Indigenous Australians NAIDOC week provides an opportunity to marvel at the intricacies of Indigenous Art, listen to the Didg and tantalise the tastebuds with Bush Tucker.*

For Indigenous Australians NAIDOC Week has a deeper level of significance.

NAIDOC has its origins in the fight for Aboriginal rights in the 1920s and 1930s originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was responsible for organising activities during NAIDOC week, with its acronym later becoming the name for the week itself.

Maree Toombs is an Associate Lecturer in the Kumbari/Ngurpai Lag Higher Education Centre and says this year's theme is particularly relevant to her.

"Each year NAIDOC has a theme. In the past these themes have represented issues important to Indigenous people," Maree said.

"*Respect the past and believe in the future* is the theme for 2006 and I have reflected on these words and what they mean to me as a proud Aboriginal woman and the many experiences that have shaped who I am today.

"I grew up in a small country town in NSW where my brother and I were two of only five black kids in town.

"My experiences at school were quite negative and my reading, writing and numeracy were far below the class average," she said.

As a result Maree left school half way through Year 12 and worked in various jobs, before moving to Toowoomba in 1992.

"It was then, with reassurance from my husband, that I approached Kumbari in 1992, where I was met by a woman called Gwen Curry, who at the time terrified me.

"She asked me who my mob was and what I wanted to do. Not really knowing the answer to the second part of her question replied 'I don't know'."

Maree decided on a twelve month Bridging program before completing a four year Bachelor of Education degree.

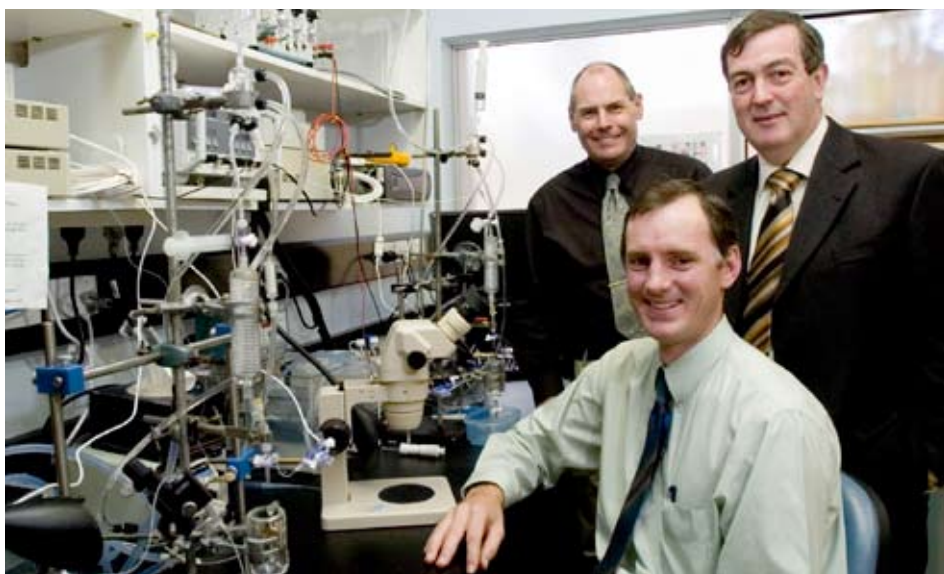
"During that time the Kumbari/Ngurpai Lag Centre was my refuge and offered me support both emotionally as well as academically - I would not have got through my degree without the support of staff and peers at Kumbari."

Maree said her story is just one story coming out of the Kumbari Ngurpai Lag Centre, which has offered hundreds of Indigenous people a reason to *believe in the future* for two decades.

"It is with great pride and respect that we mark the 20th anniversary of Kumbari Ngurpai Lag this NAIDOC Week."

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## LEADING RESEARCH RECEIVES FACILITIES UPGRADE

BY FIONA TAYLOR  
PHOTOGRAPH BY ELIZABETH BULL

*USQ is strengthening its internationally renowned research muscle into Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) following an upgrade to facilities at the Toowoomba campus.*

The University's Muscle Research Lab in C Block recently received a \$100,000 upgrade, funded from the Faculty of Sciences and internal research monies.

World-leading expert in DMD and Associate Professor in Human Physiology at USQ, Andrew Hoey, said the upgrade allows for dedicated space for specialist equipment.

"The research lab includes equipment for measuring muscles involved with breathing, posture and movement and experiments to measure the functions of genes and the proteins they produce," Associate Professor Hoey said.

"This expansion caters for the growth of the research team, which has occurred over the last few years as a result of receiving several large international research grants."

Dean of Sciences and Pro Vice-Chancellor (Planning & Quality), Professor Bill MacGillivray, said the world class DMD research program led by Associate Professor Hoey is addressing the cause and the cure of a very debilitating disease.

"There is great social benefit to be gained from Associate Professor Hoey's work. This group forms part of the Centre for Systems Biology, which is one of the new University Research Centres," Professor MacGillivray said.

ABOVE: Dean of Sciences, Professor Bill MacGillivray, Head of Biological and Physical Sciences, Associate Professor Grant Daggard, and Associate Professor in Human Physiology, Andrew Hoey, inspect the new research facilities.

"The growth of the DMD research activities meant that the previously used space was bursting at the seams. Associate Professor Hoey was being constrained from applying for new funds and taking on new research staff and students as a result.

"He has developed experimental techniques that are not available elsewhere in Queensland and it is not unusual to find research students from other Queensland universities travelling to Toowoomba to take advantage of the equipment in the laboratory."

Associate Professor Hoey said the team is currently exploring three main areas of research that are discussed on page 11.

Construction of the upgrade commenced at the end of March and has taken two months to complete. Finishing touches have been added to the laboratory and use commenced last week.



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## MP OPENS CEEFC

BY AMY CASS  
PHOTOGRAPH BY CINDY LAINE

*Queensland Minister for Transport and Main Roads and USQ Graduate, the Hon Paul Lucas MP, officially opened the University's Centre for Excellence in Engineered Fibre Composites (CEEFC) last Friday.*

Hon Lucas told CEEFC staff, politicians, Toowoomba City Councillors and industry stakeholders he was delighted to open the \$7.5 million centre.

"I have a strong sentimental attachment to what USQ is doing here and it's really nice to be back here opening this Centre," Mr Lucas said.

During his address Mr Lucas also congratulated USQ Vice Chancellor Professor Bill Lovegrove, the CEEFC Director Professor Gerard Van Erp and

Member for Toowoomba North, Mr Kerry Shine, on the success of the world-class facility to date.

"We have a very strong commitment in Main Roads to Fibre Composites.

"We are trialling three fibre composite girders on a bridge on the Gatton-Clifton Road near Toowoomba and a new bridge on the D'Aguilar Highway near Nanango for which a prototype is currently being manufactured."

Mr Lucas said the tests to date were very positive in terms of using fibre composite material for replacement bridge girders and bridge decks in the future.

"We hope to develop a cost-effective alternative to harvesting timber for girders and a faster, more easily-transportable way of building bridge decks," Mr Lucas said.

Fibre Composites were originally developed for the aircraft and marine industry and consist of polymer resins, reinforced with carbon, glass and/or Kelvar fibres. They are increasingly being used in the construction and engineering fields.

Director of CEEFC, Professor Gerard Van Erp, said fibre composites can be used

LEFT: Hon Paul Lucas MP, USQ Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bill Lovegrove and Professor Gerard Van Erp officially opened the CEEFC. ABOVE: The new research facilities include an advanced polymer chemistry laboratory and two large laboratories to develop and test prototype structures.

to build bridges, power poles, railway sleepers, vanity tops and bar stools.

"The production of fibre composites compared to the production of concrete and steel uses less than half the energy, creates one fifth the volume of polluted water and about one third the air pollution."

Since developing a novel fibre composite beam in 1998, Professor Van Erp and his team have received international acclaim and numerous awards for this technology.

Professor Van Erp reflected on their achievements at the opening.

"Many of the structural components of the Centre use our technology and materials.

"The new facilities are also of use with our latest research into the resource potential of plant oil polymers, which may provide an enormous boost to Australian agriculture," Professor Van Erp said.

Professor Lovegrove told the crowd USQ is committed to its research strategy and the CEEFC is an example of what a regional University can do when the right people come together.



## \$200K FOR INNOVATIVE IT AGED CARE PROJECT

BY AMY CASS  
PHOTOGRAPH SUPPLIED

*Elderly people presenting with illness at hospital emergency departments may be offered an alternative to hospitalisation, as a result of an innovative IT research project being coordinated by USQ.*

Under the project, USQ's Collaboration for Ageing and Aged-care Informatics Research (CAAIR) group will work with industry partners to implement an IT system that will help health practitioners refer patients to community health care providers.

Currently elderly people presenting to emergency departments are more likely than others to be admitted to hospital due to a lack of time and available information to explore options such as home and community care.

Director of CAAIR, Associate Professor Jeffrey Soar, said the system will help health professionals manage the growing demands of an ageing society.

"The USQ consortium was one of only 12 research groups nationally to receive a highly competitive Information Technology On-Line (ITOL) research grant.

"The USQ consortium received \$200K – the highest amount possible under the ITOL scheme - which is provided by the Department of Communities, IT and the Arts.

"We are now looking forward to working with our industry partners, Nexus eCare,



ABOVE: Nexus eCare CEO, Frank Whittaker and the Director of the Collaboration for Ageing and Aged-care Informatics Research (CAAIR) group, Associate Professor Jeffrey Soar.

Advanced Community Care Association (ACCA) and Alcidon to develop and implement the IT system."

Nexus eCare CEO, Frank Whittaker, said the project will have real benefits for patients and their families.

"Staff in busy emergency departments and wards will be able to identify patients suitable for home care, then link to appropriate community providers and provide full information for continuity of care in settings that patients prefer.

"We selected USQ's CAAIR as our collaboration partner due to its national leadership in IT research for aged care," Mr Whittaker said.

Associate Professor Soar said the innovative IT system will be monitored by experienced health professionals.

"A key element of the system will be a nurse-staffed 24 hour a day Contact Centre that will monitor and follow up any issues.

"There is a lot of evidence to suggest that patients prefer to be in their own homes and that outcomes for home care are at least as good as institutional care and even better for some conditions."



## HEAD START FOR TAFE STUDENT

BY FIONA TAYLOR  
PHOTOGRAPH SUPPLIED

*Getting ahead is what motivated Bremer TAFE student, Lam Pham, to take advantage of the USQ Head Start Program.*

Through the Program, Lam is able to complete an approved first year USQ course while completing Bremer TAFE's Adult Tertiary Preparation (ATP) program.

If completed successfully, Lam receives full academic credit for the course and guaranteed entry into a USQ Bachelor program.

Lam said he decided to participate in the Head Start program to help him get into University quicker.

"I wanted to get into University as quickly

as possible, and if doing a subject helps me get in, then that's something that I'm interested in," he said.

Before enrolling in ATP at Bremer TAFE, Lam studied Science for two years at a different vocational education facility, before deciding to change directions.

He said he was looking forward to continuing his studies at USQ Springfield and had decided to study a Business course.

"I was going to do an Education course, but I decided on Business, as I can see myself being a businessman and going up in life. Business can get me further to where I want to be," Lam said.

"I'm happy with the University, it's close to home and the staff are great. The facilities are quite good and I really like having access to a 24/7 computer lab.

"Luckily Bremer were just opening a Campus in Education City, when I decided to enrol in ATP," he said.

USQ School-Leaver Segment Marketing Manager, Margo Baas, said this was the first time USQ's Head Start program had



ABOVE LEFT: Bremer TAFE student, Lam Pham will participate in the USQ Head Start Program in Semester Two this year.

ABOVE: Head Start Program Coordinator Margo Baas.

been available to a TAFE student.

"The USQ Head Start Program is usually only available to students of partner schools, but because Lam is studying through the Education City Campus of Bremer TAFE, inside the USQ Springfield Building, he is able to take advantage of the program.

"The USQ Head Start Program enables students to take one approved university subject alongside USQ students, with the added support of a faculty and school Head Start Coordinator.

"The program enables students to start their University studies before they finish their secondary studies and partner school students can study the course at no cost.

"However unlike partner school students, TAFE students have to cover the tuition fees themselves, instead of being sponsored by the host faculty, but this did not deter Lam."

Lam will commence the Head Start program at the start of Semester Two, with thirteen students from local partner schools.



## SOLO SHOW FOR USQ DRAWING LECTURER

BY CONNIE-LOUISE ALEXANDER  
PHOTOGRAPH SUPPLIED

*They had some very humble origins in a dusty studio under the house, but Simon Mee's latest offerings are now turning heads at a prestigious art gallery in Brisbane, where they will be on show for the next month.*

USQ Associate Lecturer in Drawing, Simon Mee, has spent the past six years creating his latest exhibition, *Suburban Sweet*, which is currently hanging in The QUT Art Museum.

In 2004 Simon received an Arts Queensland Creative Fellowship, allowing him to work full-time on the exhibition for a year. The highly detailed art works take three to four months to complete and this is the first time this exhibition has been shown together.

*Suburban Sweet* explores values and aspirations through the use of porcelain dolls in a narrative set in suburban Brisbane. Simon has created dialogue around issues such as war, social alienation and refugees.

"The use of dolls and dream like scenarios allows me to tap into the unconscious and instinctive responses of the viewers to the child like and ambiguous nature of fairy tales," Simon said.

The QUT Art Museum Curator (Collections and Exhibitions), Gordon Craig, said Simon's use of familiar play toy figures invokes an emotional and intellectual response from the audience.

ABOVE: Works of Simon Mee which are included in the exhibition, *Not a Conga Line* (above) and *The Maids of Damocles* (left).

"Mee exploits the familiar as a conduit to some often darker sides of life," he said.

To bring the exhibition together work has been borrowed back from owners across Australia; one piece in particular travelled an unusual journey out a collector's balcony.

"All the collectors have been marvellous. Only one expressed some reluctance, but that was because the painting requested could only be got in and out of their apartment through the balcony, and their balcony was located several floors up a multi-story building.

"But they allowed the painting to participate because they understood the importance of the show and the significance of the piece".

"Showing this body of work at The QUT Art Museum is important to me because not only am I very proud of this body of work, but because it has been supported by so many," Simon said.

*Suburban Sweet* will be on show at The QUT Art Museum until 13 August.



## FROM FLAB TO FAB

ABOVE LEFT: The supportive staff from the USQ Gym: Brook Farlow and Anna Schafferius, with Majella Albion above.

BY CONNIE-LOUISE ALEXANDER  
PHOTOGRAPH BY ELIZABETH BULL

*During the past few months we have been following Majella Albion's weight loss journey, giving you regular updates on her measurement and fitness levels.*

When the USQ Works Challenge began in April, Majella was determined to lose a few kilos and increase her fitness levels. It has been a little over 10 weeks since the challenge began and, as it wrapped up for another year, we caught up with Majella before she jumped on a jet and headed to Europe.

"I made it to the end of the 10 weeks and although I did not achieve my target weight, I have certainly reversed the upward trend my weight has been taking over the past few years, and it is well and truly on the way down.

"I am now determined to continue at the gym until I reach my target.

"My overall fitness and energy have greatly improved and I have gone down at least one size, so all of those are very positive results," she said.

While the participants are supported by staff as they meet their fitness targets, the money raised during the Challenge supports the vital work of the Toowoomba Children's Hospital.

Kate Fox from USQ Works said more than 45 people participated in this year's Challenge, raising \$12,000 for the Children's Hospital.

"I really want to thank Kate and all the staff at USQ Works for their continued motivation and support, and Cathy for the really tough workouts, which she coaxed me through with great encouragement.

"I'm off now to the lands of chocolate, cheese, pasta and olives. The real test will be how well I manage those temptations," Majella said.

### Measurements now...

Chest	92 cm
Waist	73.5 cm
Hips	100 cm
Thigh	49 cm
Arm	31 cm
Weight	64.3 kg

### Measurements then...

Chest	95 cm
Waist	79 cm
Hips	109 cm
Thigh	58.9 cm
Arm	33.5 cm
Weight	67.5 kg

# In BRIEF



## *IO signs partnership with MMI*

USQ expanded its transnational partnerships at an official agreement signing on Friday 23 June with Modern Montessori International (MMI) University in Singapore.

The agreement will see MMI Diploma graduates articulate into the USQ Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies and continue their professional education in Singapore. MMI CEO, Dr Chandroo, signed the agreement with USQ Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bill Lovegrove, at the special ceremony. Approximately 9,000 international students from more than 110 nationalities are currently studying at USQ via three modes of study: on-campus, off-campus and online.



## *Springfield catches World Cup Fever*

The USQ Springfield auditorium was put to good use during Australia's reign in the World Cup. A dedicated support team of around 20 turned up at all hours of the night to watch their team perform. The mad-keen soccer fans were so inspired by the 7m x 4m screen they had their own mini World Cup on the mini oval, with milk crate goals during half time. Standing to sing the anthem at the start of each match and cheering, screaming, clapping and jeering at the screen was a great way to watch the Cup. Local community organisation, the Westlife Group even sponsored breakfast after the Croatia game, with everyone sharing their views on the high and low points of the match. Australia's loss to Italy in the last 3 seconds was disappointing, but it does leave room for Australia to do better in another four years, (not 32)! Please note this picture was taken at 5.45am in the morning!



## *Knitting for the needy*

If you thought knitting was for nanas you weren't involved in the Women on the Moves blanket drive. In the name of friendly competition USQ beat Central Queensland University in a knitting challenge. In a little over four weeks, volunteers managed to knit nine woollen blankets, which will be donated to the Salvation Army. More than 12 women spent hours knitting the blankets in an effort to finish them for the charity's winter appeal.



## *Best Australian careers article*

An international panel of researchers awarded a team of USQ staff the Australian Association of Career Counsellors (AACC) "Award for Best Article Written by an Australian Author in the Australian Journal of Career Development 2005". The team was made up of Peter McIlveen, Tanya Ford and former USQ employee, Kristine Dun, from Careers, Equity and Employment. The team accepted the award at the AACC international conference in Sydney earlier this year. Mr McIlveen said he encourages other practitioners to engage in applied research and evaluation that contributes to the improvement of career development practices. The award included conference expenses and prize money.

# UNITRADER:

**ASSORTED ITEMS:** Single bed with mattress, slate base, white, metal frame \$100. Double bed, wire base, velvet bed head mustard colour \$40. Vulcan Fan Heater, hardly used, \$50. Duchess with mirror, 3 drawers, white \$30. Ph: x1759 or 4635 7137.

**BABY BASSINET:** with mobile folding stand, \$40. Ph: x 1760.

**COMPUTER:** Acer n50 premium handheld computer. New (unwanted prize) \$500. Ph: x 2502 or 0411 263 957.

**ENTERTAINMENT UNIT:** solid timber corner entertainment unit (golden oak in colour) with 2 door cupboard at base + 3 other compartments (room for large TV + video & dvd, + stereo or other equipment). Unit is approx 6 ft tall, gc. \$300 ono. Ph: 4632 7705.

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**HOME FOR SALE:** Rangeville, three bdrm brick home, gc. Large bdrms & lounge, separate dining, sewing room/office, private covered outdoor courtyard area. Kitchen and laundry were upgraded approx three years ago. Fully insulated and security screened. Large single drive through garage with attached rumpus room or could be converted back to a double garage with minimal effort. Colourbond garden shed. Handy to both primary and high schools and shopping centres. 10 minute walk to Picnic Point. Price \$269,000. Ph: 4636 4524 a/h.

**MAZDA 121:** 1991 model, 194,000 kms, manual, green, rwc available, reliable, excellent fuel economy, \$2,800. Ph: Trudy x 2848.

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# NEWSMAKERS:

*Jackie Doolan*, Senior Lecturer in Midwifery, spoke to WIN TV on the Federal Government's proposed changes to the Medicare Rebate. This news report was also played on WIN Townsville.

*Professor Gerard Van Erp*, spoke to ABC Southern Queensland (Toowoomba) and WIN TV about the opening of the \$7.5 million Centre for Excellence in Engineered Fibre Composites.

*Dr Andrew Hoey*, spoke to ABC Southern Queensland, ABC Wide Bay, 4WK (Toowoomba), 1071 AM (Kingaroy) and WIN TV about upgrades to USQ's facilities to research Dushane Muscular Dystrophy.

*Dr Martine Maron*, from the Faculty of Sciences spoke to ABC Southern Queensland about the percentage of women entering Science and Engineering and current trends in workforce participation in this field.

*John Neville*, from the Queensland College of Wine Tourism spoke to ABC Southern Queensland (Toowoomba) about the Wine Science program.

*Kevin Stapleton*, from the USQ Student Guild spoke to ABC Southern Queensland about changes to VSU legislation, which took effect on 1 July 2006. This issue was also covered on 1071 AM (Kingaroy).

*Lynne Stuart*, from Kumbari/Ngurpai Lag Higher Education Centre spoke to *The Chronicle* about Aboriginal health issues.

*The Fraser Coast Chronicle* reported that the Hervey Bay City Council has donated \$20K to bring USQ's annual Shakespeare Festival to Wide Bay.

## TEAM DEVELOPS LEADING DMD RESEARCH TECHNIQUES UNIQUE TO QUEENSLAND



USQ's world class Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) research program, led by Associate Professor in Human Physiology, Andrew Hoey, is addressing the cause and the cure of a very debilitating disease.

A leading DMD Researcher, Associate Professor Hoey said his team is currently exploring three main areas of research.

"The team is looking at the mechanisms that regulates the amount of calcium in heart cells as this controls the strength of the heart, but if too high can cause damage to heart cells," he said.

"Secondly, we are testing new drugs that prevent scar tissue forming in the

heart as this scarring causes rhythm disturbances and impaired contractility of the heart.

"Finally, we are investigating the changes in skeletal muscles and seeking to develop new treatments to improve muscle strength."

DMD is a debilitating and fatal disease which affects one male child in 3500.

It is present in all cultures and races, and because the DMD gene is found on the X chromosome, the disorder only affects boys.

# COMING EVENTS:

## KAP VACATION CARE

Date: 26 June – 7 July

Venue: Clive Berghofer Recreation Centre, USQ Toowoomba

For children aged between 5 -12 years, the KAP vacation care program is ideal for keeping them happy and active during the school holidays. Child care benefits are available. Further details available at [www.kap.com.au](http://www.kap.com.au)

Phone: Cassandra Goodwill, 4631 1588.

## YARNING GROUP

DATE: Friday 17 July, 12.30pm

VENUE: Women's Network Room (downstairs behind the library), USQ Toowoomba

Men and Women are welcome to join the Yarning Group and help our knitting project for the Salvation Army Winter Blanket Appeal.

PHONE: Majella Albion, 07 4631 1672

## LIFTING THE LID

DATE: Tuesday 4 July – Sunday 30 July

VENUE: USQ Arts Gallery

An exhibition of highlights from USQ's extensive ceramic collection.

PHONE: USQ Curator, 07 4631 1119

## NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

DATE: Friday 7 July, 11am – 1pm.

VENUE: Quadrangle, USQ Toowoomba

Hosted by Kumbari Ngurpai Lag, everyone is welcome to celebrate national NAIDOC (National Aborigines Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of the Toowoomba community. There will be entertainment, a welcome to country, and Bush Tucker tastings.

PHONE: Jacquiline Monaghan, 07 4631 2133

## INAUGURAL ANNUAL CAAIR SYMPOSIUM

DATE: Thursday 20 July, 9am-4pm

VENUE: Q501, Phoenix Building, USQ Toowoomba

CAAIR (Collaboration for Ageing & Aged-Care Informatics Research) Inaugural Symposium is based on the theme 'The Future of Ageing and Aged-Care Enabled by Innovation, Technology, Management and Education'. There is no fee for attendance but participants must register at [www.usq.edu.au/business/research/conferences/aging/default.htm](http://www.usq.edu.au/business/research/conferences/aging/default.htm)

PHONE: Dr Mehryar Nooriafshar, 07 4631 1278

## OFF THE WALL

Date: Wednesday 2 August – Sunday 27 August

Venue: USQ Arts Gallery

An exhibition featuring selected works by USQ Visual Arts students.

Phone: USQ Curator, 07 4631 1119

## THE INAUGURAL DARLING DOWNS ROBOCUP JUNIOR COMPETITION

DATE: Thursday 3 August, 1pm – 5pm

VENUE: Clive Berghofer Recreation Centre

Students from late primary and all secondary school levels participate in one of three events. Categories include Dance, Rescue and Soccer.

PHONE: Mark Phythian, 07 4631 2542

## COSI FAN TUTTE

Date: Wednesday 2 August – Sunday 13 August

Venue: USQ Concert Hall

The USQ Opera Studio and Orchestra present Mozart's sparkling comic opera.

Phone: USQ Box Office, 07 4631 1111

## USQ WIDE BAY OPEN DAY

Date: Sunday 6 August

Venue: USQ Wide Bay

The University's doors will open and the community is invited to see what USQ Wide Bay has to offer. There will be a number of activities, entertainment and prizes. Entry is free.

Phone: Ken Gideon, 07 4631 2495

## USQ SPRINGFIELD OPEN DAY

Date: Sunday 13 August

Venue: USQ Springfield

Lots of activities are planned for USQ Springfield's Open Day. Tour the Campus facilities, enjoy the free entertainment and learn about what USQ has to offer.

Phone: Ken Gideon, 07 4631 2495

## USQ TOOWOOMBA OPEN DAY

Date: Sunday 20 August

Venue: USQ Toowoomba

The Community is invited to join in the fun at USQ Toowoomba's Open Day. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions the public may have and there will be lots of entertainment, challenges and prizes to give away.

Phone: Ken Gideon, 07 4631 2495

## MOTHER COURAGE

Date: Wednesday 30 August – Sunday 10 September

Venue: USQ Arts Theatre

One of Brecht's famous plays and a classic of modern literature/theatre brought to the stage.

Phone: USQ Box Office, 07 4631 1111

## SWAP MEET

Date: 30 August – 24 September

Venue: USQ Arts Gallery

An exhibition showcasing works by staff and students of James Cook University's Visual Arts Department.

Phone: USQ Curator, 4631 1119

## WEST STAR MOTORS TWILIGHT RECITAL

Date: Wednesday 20 September, 6pm

Venue: USQ Arts Theatre

Piano, violin and clarinet combine when the Phoenix Ensemble take the stage.

Phone: USQ Box Office, 07 4631 1111

## BROWN BAG BREAKFAST

Date: 21 September, 7.30am – 8.30am

Venue: Coffee & Cream, USQ Wide Bay

On the third Thursday of every month a different speaker will present. This month Lauretta Wright will discuss 'The DoCs Adventure'.

Phone: Ronda Eastall, 07 4120 3138

## BROWN BAG BREAKFAST

Date: 19 October, 7.30am – 8.30am

Venue: Coffee & Cream, USQ Wide Bay

On the third Thursday of every month a different speaker will present. This month John McMaster will discuss 'Knowledge paradigms and education systems'.

Phone: Ronda Eastall, 07 4120 3138

## VECTORS III

Date: 2 October – 1 November

Venue: USQ Arts Gallery

An exhibition showcasing the works of USQ's postgraduate Visual Arts students.

Phone: USQ Curator, 07 4631 1119

# RETROSPECT



**INDIGENOUS MUSIC: Doug Myers, the ethnomusicologist who started the gamelan with two musicians.**

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Here's a blast from the past thanks to USQ Photography's archives.

The Communications team will be running a new photo every edition to highlight how the University have changed over the years.

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