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Cracker! – The 2008 KickArts Shop Annual Creative Merchandising Exhibition - Call for Expressions of Interest

The KickArts Shop invites Expressions of Interest from contemporary artists, designers and craftspeople for selection for Cracker!, our 2008 annual creative merchandising exhibition. This year it's all about Christmas, and particularly a contemporary Christmas aesthetic that reflects the tropical environment of Cairns. Innovative handcrafted or designer cards, themed objects, decorative items, small works of art and contemporary gift must-haves are sought to showcase creative talent during this annual KickArts Shop event. Works may be one-offs, limited editions or production series and special consideration will be given to items that revolutionise traditional motifs and are appropriate for warm climate celebrations. Perfect presents – from stocking fillers to extra special gifts for loved ones – will also be featured.

The KickArts Shop is located at the Centre of Contemporary Arts, Cairns, and is dedicated to the retailing and presentation of unique and contemporary art, craft and design. Please visit www.kickarts.org.au for more information about KickArts Contemporary Arts.

Expressions of Interest are required by Close of Business Tuesday 30th September 2008. Successful applicants will be notified by Friday 3rd October 2008.

Delivery of works selected for inclusion in the exhibition would be required by Friday 31st October 2008 for data entry, documentation, display planning and installation. Cracker! will commence on Friday 14th November 2008, concluding Saturday 3rd January 2009.

Expressions of interest should be directed to:

Beverley Mitchell, KickArts Shop Manager.

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Please include or attach:

1. Samples or images of samples or similar work. High quality digital images are preferable as, if the work is selected, they may be used for promotional purposes.
2. Details as to whether the works are one off pieces, limited editions or part of a production series.
3. Artist's statement relating to the work.
4. Artist's curriculum vitae (no more than 2 A4 pages).
5. RRP including GST, or set wholesale price. The KickArts Shop sells work on consignment with a commission rate of 40% of the retail price ex GST.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact Beverley as outlined above.