



For Our Future Community Art Exhibition Saturday 10th June 2023 Wonthaggi Library

Exhibition Opening 1pm

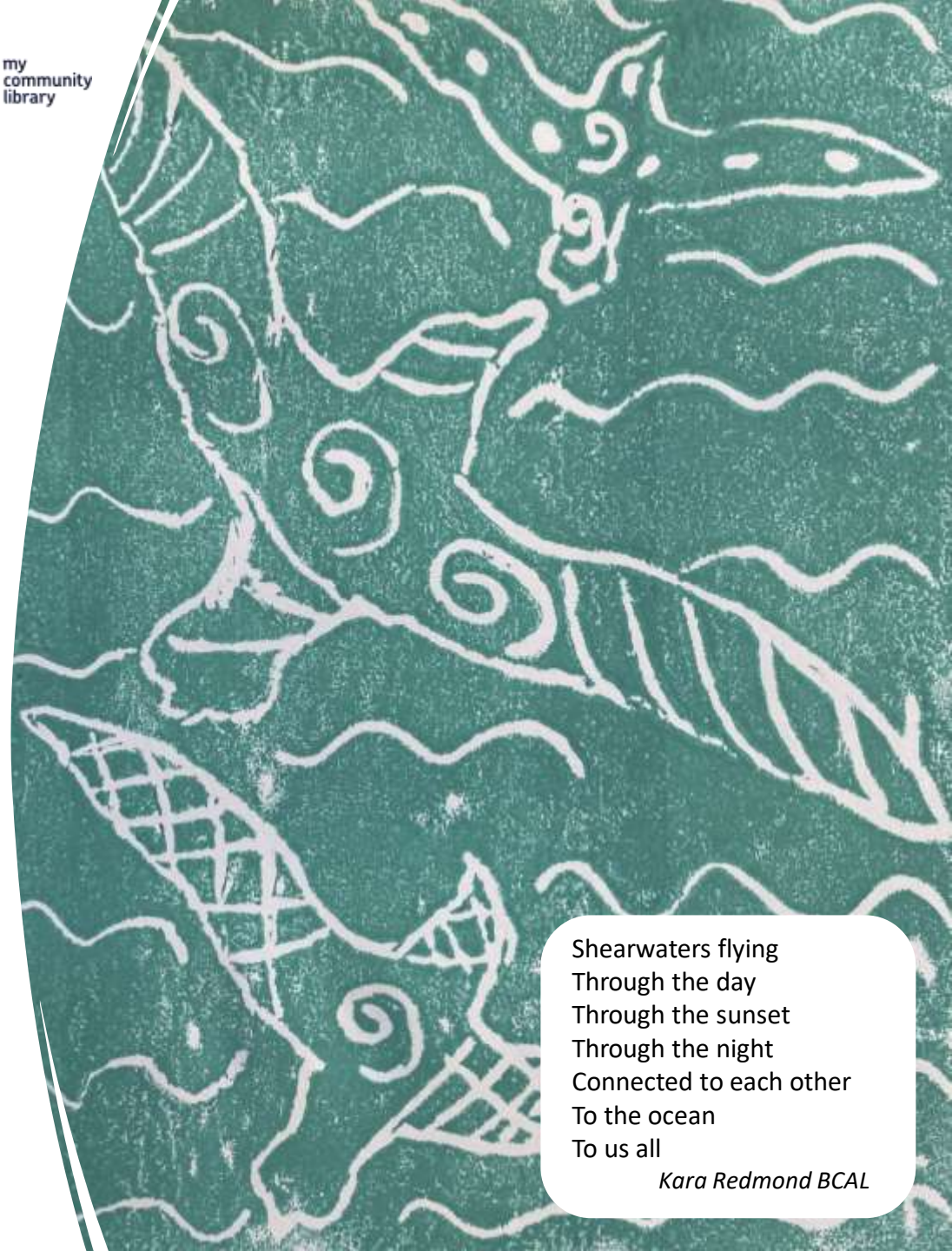
Come for the launch of the
Community Art Exhibition

Deep Listening Circle 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Celebrate Eco Arts in our community
and respond through Deep Listening



Supported by Bass Coast Shire Council



Shearwaters flying
Through the day
Through the sunset
Through the night
Connected to each other
To the ocean
To us all

Kara Redmond BCAL

Acknowledgment of Country

We honour the Boonwurrung/Bunurong of the Kulin Nation who have cared for this Country for many thousands of years. We recognise First Peoples' continuing connection to lands, waters, and community.

We pay our respects to the Ancestors and Elders who carry the memories, traditions, cultures, and aspirations of First Peoples on this Country and across the world.



For Our Future

Eco Arts in Community



Photostory Laura Brearley







Twelve community stories have been brought together in a Community Art Library Exhibition being held at the Wonthaggi Library. The Exhibition is part of Phillip Island Conservation Society's Eco Arts project 'For Our Future'.





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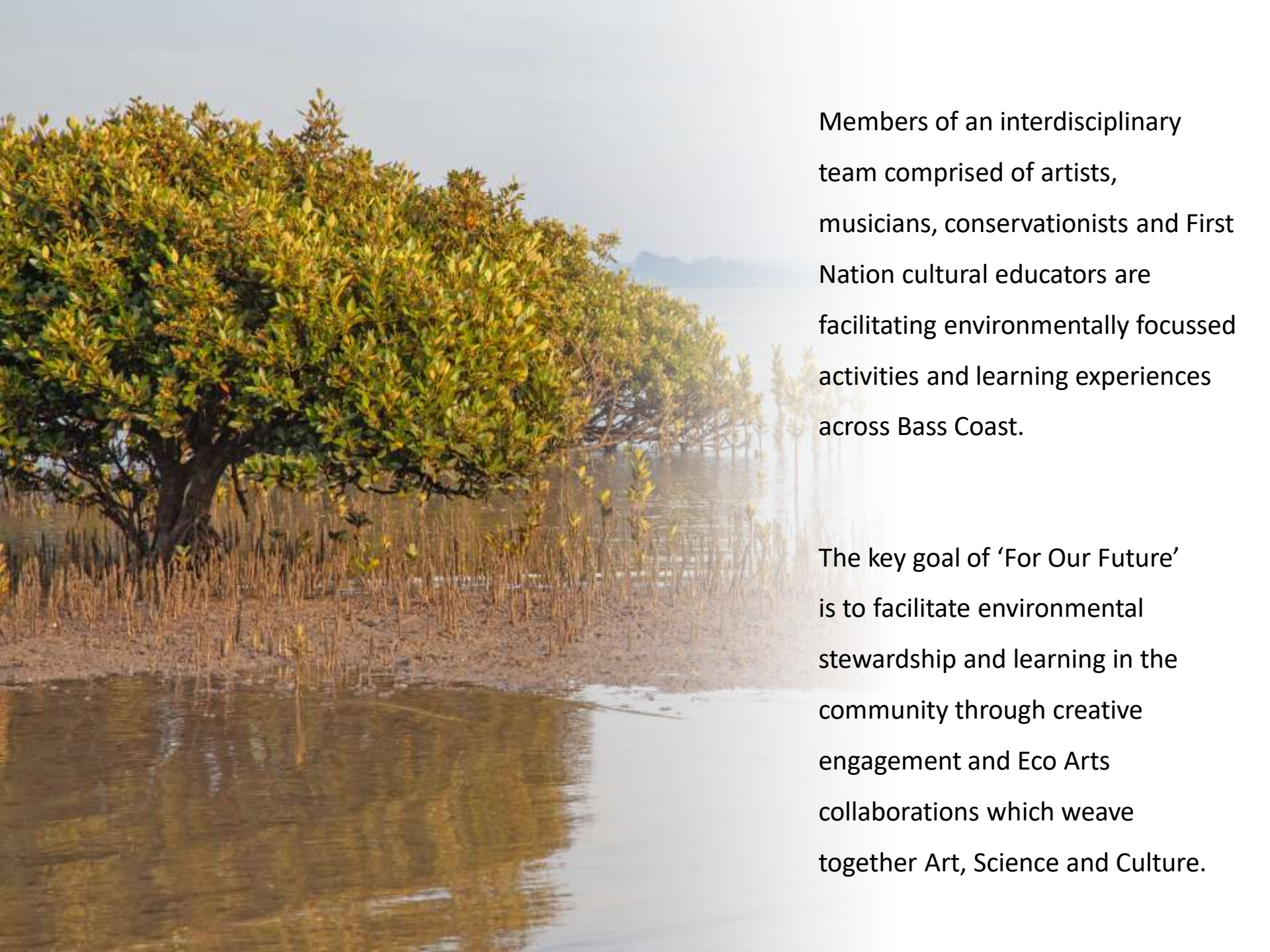
12 Love of the Living World in Action

Working Together with the Westernport Woodlands



‘For Our Future’ is a community-based project facilitating a program of Eco Arts events and activities for the Bass Coast community and beyond. The project is designed to inspire environmental stewardship, deepening a sense of connection with each other and the Living World.

The project is being supported financially by the Bass Coast Shire Council and the Phillip Island Conservation Society (PICS).



Members of an interdisciplinary team comprised of artists, musicians, conservationists and First Nation cultural educators are facilitating environmentally focussed activities and learning experiences across Bass Coast.

The key goal of 'For Our Future' is to facilitate environmental stewardship and learning in the community through creative engagement and Eco Arts collaborations which weave together Art, Science and Culture.

The four projects within 'For Our Future' are: Country is Listening, Living Water Ways, Ocean Messages and an Eco Arts Community Celebration at the new Cowes Cultural and Community Centre.

All activities and events are an invitation to listen more deeply and respectfully to the Living World and to recognise ourselves as part of it.







More information on the 'For Our Future' project is available
on the Phillip Island Conservation Society' website
<https://picsvictoria.org.au/for-our-future/>



Getting ready for the 'For Our Future' Exhibition Opening and Deep Listening Circle

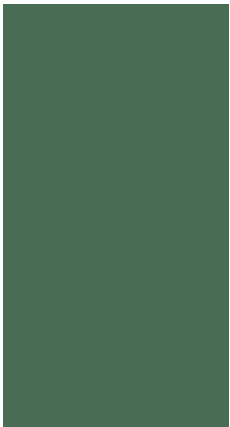






Jessica Berry (Manager San Remo and Cowes Libraries and 'For Our Future' Working Group Member)
with Laura Brearley ('For Our Future' Coordinator)









Art and Poetry of Place



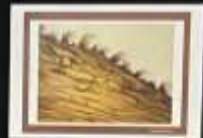
Collaborative Art-Making



Environmental Arts



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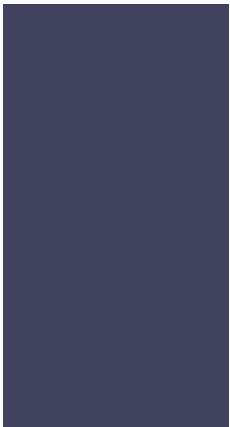




Auntie Sonia Weston performed the Welcome to Country



Catherine Watson, Ed Thexton and Aunty Sonia Weston







Kay Setches OAM and Catherine Watson opened the Exhibition.





L to R Aunty Sonia Weston (Boonwurrung/Bunurong) Daniel Church (Darug) and Aunty Elizabeth Dalton (GunaiKurnai)





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Special thanks to Jessica Berry and other staff from Myli My Community Library, Phillip Island Conservation Society, 'For Our Future' Working Group Members, Lead Artists, Special Guest Artists and Eco Arts Collaborators, Bass Coast Shire Council, Phillip Island Land Alliance, Bass Coast Adult Learning staff and students, Wonthaggi ArtSpace, Bass Coast/South Gippsland Reconciliation Group, Community Music Victoria, Bass Coast Schools, Save Western Port Woodlands, Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House, Phillip Island Nature Park, Victorian National Parks Association, Community Music Victoria, Bass Coast Landcare, Westernport Water, Bass Coast Post, The Waterline News and San Remo Print it Fast.

Thanks to all the community members whose photographs are featured in the exhibition: Terry Melvin, Geoff Ellis, Matthew Goss, Nici Cahill, Linda Cuttriss, Dave Newman, Jackie Newman, Dick Wettenhall.

Thanks to the community for their love and protection of the Living World.



Special Thanks

Dr Laura Brearley 'For Our Future' Coordinator and Exhibition Curator