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QLD's gallery and museum workers recognised in State Awards

Museums & Galleries Queensland (M&G QLD) proudly announced the recipients of the **2016 Gallery and Museum Achievement Awards** (GAMAA) at a gala event hosted by Creative Arts Redlands – Redland Performing Arts Centre and Redland Art Gallery, on Tuesday 22 November 2016.

Kylie Bourne, President of the Miles and District Historical Society Inc (Miles Historical Village Museum) in Miles 340km west of Brisbane, **was recognised** as a **Finalist** for her outstanding achievement in the category of 'Individuals: Volunteer'.

Kylie has been President of the Society since 2009 and during the past 14 years, she has worked at varying levels with community, regional arts and cultural organisations and facilities, events, local government and the private sector. Energetic and dynamic, Kylie has a particular interest in working with and assisting community, arts and cultural organisations to achieve their full potential.

She is a gifted grant writer, securing hundreds of thousands of dollars for community projects. Kylie has organised innumerable functions and events which have not only raised funds to improve facilities, but also enabled the community to enjoy the Miles Historical Village Museum and the quality and versatility of its displays.

One of Kylie's most recent achievements was to guide the Miles Historical Village Museum committee through a second Museums & Galleries Queensland *Standards Review Program*. The Society successfully completed the Standards Review program in 2009/2010 where, under Kylie's guidance, they delivered a massive Significance Assessment for the whole Village, an undertaking involving approximately 45,000 objects housed in over 30 buildings.

Presented by **Museums & Galleries Queensland**, the GAMAA celebrate the outstanding achievements, professional excellence, and innovation of Queensland's museum and gallery sector. It also recognises the valuable contribution that our State's museums and galleries make in enriching their local and wider communities, and honours the extraordinary commitment and talents of paid professionals and volunteers working in the industry.

M&G QLD Executive Director, Rebekah Butler said the GAMAA continue to recognise and celebrate the remarkable achievements of our museums and galleries and are testament to the skill, ingenuity and professionalism of the sector.

"This year's GAMAA recipients reflect a diverse range of large and small organisations. M&G QLD extends its congratulations to all of the 2016 GAMAA winners, finalists and nominees. We also thank our 2016 judges, sponsors and partners in supporting this important industry event," Ms Butler said.

For a full list of GAMAA recipients go to the M&G QLD website at www.magsq.com.au.

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