

Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre Keeping Doors Open and Culture Alive

Museums & Galleries Queensland (M&G QLD) presented **Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre** with a Certificate of Recognition for completing an intensive year-long program assessing their practices against *The National Standards for Australian Museums and Galleries* at a special event held on 22 November 2017. Councillors Rick Baberowski and Greg Rogerson from the Sunshine Coast Council, and Councillor Frank Wilkie, Deputy Mayor, Noosa Council joined M&G QLD to celebrate the Museum's achievements.

Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre is the first place to stop when visiting the charming historic village of Eumundi to learn about the history of the town, find out what's around the area and see the latest exhibition in the arts space.

M&G QLD's Standards Program Reviewers are industry experts who played a vital role in providing pro-bono professional advice and assistance throughout the Program. According to Elizabeth Bates, Museum & Galleries Consultant and Maggi Solly, Consultant, Standards Program Reviewers:

"Discover Eumundi Visitor & Heritage Centre is to be commended for operating a multi-functional facility which is open to the public seven days a week and also for undertaking the Standards Review Program a second time (they participated in 2009). The addition of Wan'din'in the newest exhibition space, though an added responsibility, is attracting new audiences and stimulating enhanced community involvement."

Wendy Birrell, Manager, Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre said,

"The Standards Review Program has provided the Discover Eumundi volunteers better insight into the necessity of procedures and policies to manage our heritage collection."

M&G QLD's Executive Director, Rebekah Butler, said today,

“The Discover Eumundi team are to be applauded for undertaking the Standards Review Program a second time – they are justifiably proud of the historical centre. Their enthusiasm in caring for this local collection is to be commended.”

M&G QLD's Standards Review Program supports museums and galleries to build skills and capacity; plan for a sustainable future; identify strategic priorities for improvement; develop an action plan; and ensure the safeguarding and accessibility of community collections and stories. For more information on the Standards Review Program, please visit

<http://www.magsq.com.au/cms/page.asp?ID=5520>

M&G QLD is pleased to acknowledge the support of Sunshine Coast Council through its Cultural Heritage Levy, which allowed M&G QLD to deliver this program to organisations in the Sunshine Coast region.

Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre's profile is attached with more information and quotes from the organisation on outcomes achieved through their participation in the Program. For media enquiries or images, please contact:

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1. Image Caption: Gayle Kruger and Wendy Birrell, Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre receiving a Certificate from Cr Rick Baberowski and Cr Greg Rogerson.

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2. Image Caption: Gayle Kruger, Tricia Jeffrey and Wendy Birrell, Discover Eumundi Heritage & Visitor Centre.

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