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Noosa Regional Gallery Recognised in National Standards Program

Councillors Tony Wellington, Sandy Bolton and Joe Jurisevic, Noosa Council joined Museums & Galleries Queensland (M&G QLD) at a presentation event on Monday 30 November 2015, in congratulating Noosa Regional Gallery on completing a challenging yearlong program assessing their practice against *The National Standards for Australian Museums and Galleries*. Noosa Regional Gallery is located on the picturesque Noosa River and can be found on the ground floor of Noosa Council's main office. The Gallery is the largest visual arts space on the Sunshine Coast.

M&GQLD's Executive Director, Rebekah Butler, said today,

"Noosa Regional Gallery is to be commended for its participation in M&G QLD's Standards Review Program and is to be congratulated for its exceptionally high standard of achievement."

According to M&G QLD's Standards Program Reviewers, Elizabeth Bates and Ross Searle, industry experts who played a vital role in providing pro-bono professional advice and assistance throughout the Program:

"Noosa Regional Gallery has an impressive history and continues to provide quality exhibitions and programs for the Noosa community and visitors alike. The Gallery has used participation in the Standards Program to review its current situation and consider future development across several key areas. There is a strong commitment to increase the potential for the Gallery to broaden the delivery of stimulating and engaging programs for its visitors.

Noosa Regional Gallery should be congratulated for its commitment to support local artists. This is achieved by working closely with local artists to present exhibitions, activities and events including workshops and talks and promotion through the Gallery shop."

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

The Gallery's profile is attached.

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Image Caption

Gallery Director, Nina Shadforth receiving a Certificate of Recognition from Cr Tony Wellington, Noosa Council.

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