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## NATIONALLY ACCREDITED ARTS BUSINESS TRAINING EQUIPS YOUNG PEOPLE FOR A CAREER IN THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

*Youth Arts Queensland announces Cairns delivery of Navigation in April 2010*

Have you ever organised a gig, fought to hold that festival or showcase your art at the local gallery, negotiated a workshop agreement or desperately chased funding for your next event and thought 'there must be a better way to do this'? Youth Arts Queensland is calling all young creatives from Cairns and surrounds to take part in Navigation, an arts business training course to be held at Kickarts Contemporary Arts from 19-24 April 2010.

*Navigation Arts Business Training* was specifically designed by Youth Arts Queensland (YAQ) to provide emerging musos, visual artists, jewellery designers or events coordinators with the key arts business knowledge and skills every young, emerging artist and cultural worker needs to build a sustainable career in the creative industries.

The Navigation training package consists of seven modules and covers project planning, budgeting, working in and with communities, grant writing, marketing, OH&S/risk management, making presentations/pitching ideas and graphic design essentials. All units are nationally accredited and count towards a Certificate III.

Emerging Film Producer and previous Navigation participant Ruari Elkington says: 'Navigation was enormously beneficial to me and I would thoroughly recommend the course to other arts practitioners.'

'The great benefit of Navigation in addition to the training is the contacts that you develop with your fellow course participants. As an emerging arts practitioner it's great to meet and network with others in a creative learning environment.'

The training will be lead by YAQ's Head Trainer Ray Bourne, Program Coordinator Luke Briscoe and Marketing Manager, Caro Jende. YAQ is offering both daytime and evening classes to suit all comers. Daytime classes will be held between 9am and 5pm from Monday, 19 April to Thursday, 22 April 2010. Evening classes will be held from 6pm to 9pm from Monday, 19 April to Friday, 23 April 2010. People attending the evening classes will also have to attend a day session on Saturday, 24 April from 9am to 3.30pm.

If you are 30 years of age and under, you might qualify to participate in the training worth \$1,600 for free. Visit the YAQ website to download a registration form [www.yaq.org.au/navigation](http://www.yaq.org.au/navigation) or call (07) 3252 5115 for more information.

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### TRAINING DETAILS

**What:** Navigation Arts Business Training

**When:** Monday 19 to Saturday 24 April 2010

**Time:** 9am - 5pm Monday to Thursday **OR** 6pm – 9pm Monday to Friday **and** 9am - 3:30pm Saturday

**Where:** KickArts Contemporary Art, Centre of Contemporary Arts, 96 Abbott St, Cairns

**Cost:** Free for eligible young people aged 30 years and under

**Booking:** Places are limited. Please register your interest by submitting a registration form available from the YAQ website [www.yaq.org.au/navigation](http://www.yaq.org.au/navigation) or contact Program Coordinator Luke Briscoe on (07) 3252 5115 or [l.briscoe@yaq.org.au](mailto:l.briscoe@yaq.org.au).

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