



# Media release

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## **Creative Exchange arts forum this week**

The next Creative Exchange networking event is set to take place at the City of Albany's Vancouver Arts Centre on May 28 between 12 and 1.30pm.

Creative Exchange is a multi-disciplinary arts summit which is held quarterly as a result of a partnership between Vancouver Arts Centre and Creative Albany.

Guest speakers at this Exchange will include architect and co-founder of Fremantle's 'Spacemarket', Nic Brunsdon, and local artist and curator Annette Davis.

Mr Brunsdon is well known for a space sharing initiative which has resulted in the design of an app to bring together disused urban areas in Perth and creative tenants who are looking for spaces to start up a business.

Spacemarket's aim is to support and advocate for sustainable tenancies.

Mr Brunsdon believes that by connecting people with a multitude of underused or forgotten empty spaces, he is filling the gaps that help to create vibrancy in the city in a sustainable way.

At this week's Creative Exchange he will highlight the ways that the creative economy sector can enliven our city.

Annette Davis has been responsible for curating many important local arts events, including the City of Albany Art Prize and Paperartzi.

She is currently curating the 'Ripples in the Pond' exhibition, which is a celebration of the influence of the Carrolup School on Great Southern Aboriginal artists.

The exhibition complements the current 'Koolark Koort Koorliny' (Heart coming Home) exhibition at the Town Hall, which is showing the Herbert Mayer Collection of Carrolup Artwork from the Curtin University Art Collection.

Ripples in the Pond opens at the Vancouver Arts Centre on May 31. Annette will talk briefly about the exhibition and the curatorial journey.

An entry fee of \$10 will provide attendees with a light bite and refreshments. Registration is required, please RSVP to [arts@albany.wa.gov.au](mailto:arts@albany.wa.gov.au).

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