



MEDIA RELEASE

FlashWrite Stories tell about Upper Lachlan life

The Gunning Arts Festival is delighted to announce that the first FlashWrite stories are available for reading on our website <https://www.gunningartsfestival.com/activities/flashwrite-stories/>. Gunning is a small rural town an hour north of Canberra and we hope readers enjoy these short story insights into life in our region.

The FlashWrite Project welcomes story submissions of a maximum 1500 words that encapsulate local life experiences. Stories related to the 2021 Festival theme "Rejuvenation" are especially welcome. Full details on the project and how to submit stories can be found on the Gunning Arts Festival website: <https://www.gunningartsfestival.com/activities/flashwrite-project/>. Submissions are welcome any time until 8 February 2021 and can be lodged electronically or in hardcopy.

A selection of the stories is being published online in the lead up to the 2021 Gunning Arts Festival and some will be selected to be performed and published in a booklet to be printed as part of the Festival.

The FlashWrite project is sponsored by BJCE Australia's Biala and Gullen Range Wind Farms and supported by an Upper Lachlan Cultural Funding Program grant. The Upper Lachlan Cultural Funding Program is funded by the Upper Lachlan Shire Council.

Derek Powell, BJCE Australia's Deputy General Manager, said "Everyone has a story to tell. BJCE Australia is happy to do our little bit to help people tell theirs. Hats off to the contributors and the hard working, innovative folk behind the Gunning Arts Festival for this fantastic idea. I hope people get the same enjoyment from reading the published stories as I just did."

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