

Lithgow stories shared at arts networking

Arts OutWest brought their Winter Arts Networking event to Lithgow on Wednesday June 18 with enlightening presentations by three local creatives.

“The format has been a new experiment for us. We used the PechaKucha 20x20 concept, where each speaker had 20 images, projected onto a screen, and 20 seconds to talk about each image. It’s amazing what people can tell you in six minutes forty seconds,” Ms Callinan said.

Wendy Hawkes, Lithgow Council’s cultural development officer got the presentations started with a recap of the programs happening at Eskbank House. Lithgow ceramic artist Kay Booker followed with a presentation ‘from concept to form’, looking at her more whimsical pottery creations and the influences she draws from the world around her. Lithgow Living History’s Ian Rufus rounded out the presentations, in costume and with an antique rifle as a prop, sharing the joy that the Living History group get from their various re-enactments and costume events.

The presentations were sparkling, fun and well received. Around 30 locals made it along to the night at Eskbank House Museum, where Arts OutWest had put on after-work finger food. It was also a both a chance for Lithgow area people to make connections with Arts OutWest and find out how the regional arts organisation can help them.

There was interest amongst those present in holding another similar night sometime in the future.

Nights have also recently been held in Cowra and Bathurst. The next events will be in Orange (July 16 at the Union Bank), Wellington (July 30 at the Cowra and Calf), Forbes, Grenfell (August 20) Oberon (August 26) and Canowindra (August 27).

To RSVP for any of the upcoming events email artsoutwest@csu.edu.au or call Arts OutWest on 6338 4657.

Video of the presentations will be available soon at www.facebook.com/artsoutwest