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# THE STAR



**YOUR LOCAL UPDATE ISSUE 05, AUGUST 2017**

**Welcome to the August edition of The Star,  
a quarterly round-up of what's making news at  
The Star and within the Pyrmont community.**

In this edition, we'll update you on everything that is happening at The Star and in the Pyrmont/Ultimo area.

The local community is incredibly important to us, which is why we introduced the Community Grants Program last year. We caught up with CULTURE AT WORK to find out

more about their work to bolster the strength of art and science in the unique Pyrmont Community.

We are also excited to bring you further news about UPtown Festival, Our Stories. UPtown festival is a celebration of the Ultimo and Pyrmont community and their stories, music, dance, food, art

and culture. The festival ran for 31 years until 2012, and this year the Pyrmont Ultimo Network of Services (PUNS) is excited to be bringing it back this year.

We are looking forward to submitting planning application for the proposed Ritz-Carlton hotel tower at The Star to the Department of Planning and Environment. We will continue to keep you informed on the progress of this development.

As always, thanks for taking the time and enjoy reading this issue of The Star.

**Greg Hawkins  
Managing Director,  
The Star Sydney**



# THE STAR HOTEL TOWER

**As you would be aware internationally acclaimed architects Francis-Jones Morehen Thorp (FJMT), a multi-award-winning Australian architectural firm, have been selected to design the proposed Ritz-Carlton hotel tower at The Star.**

The location and scale of the proposed development has been developed in response to existing site constraints, the requirement to limit environmental impacts and a commercial brief to deliver a hotel as part of an integrated resort to an International Standard.

Throughout 2016, The Star hosted community and stakeholder consultation sessions as part of the

design excellence program. We are now going through a thorough and exacting planning process.

This process involves lodgement of plans for test of adequacy with the Department of Planning and Environment. This part of the process is currently underway and it is expected that if the proposed development meets the test of

adequacy, The Star will formally lodge its plans with the Department in late September.

It is expected that the Department of Planning and Environment will place the proposal on public exhibition in October and November and invite submissions from the public and various agencies. While it is not required to do so, The Star will provide a full model and associated information onsite for the local community to view. It is anticipated that a submission summary will be released by the Department in mid-December.

We expect that a final decision will be made by the Planning Assessment Commission in late 2018.

If you would like to find out more, please contact us via e-mail or phone. Email [development@star.com.au](mailto:development@star.com.au) or phone **1800 798 646** between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.



## PYRMONT GROWERS MARKET



**The Saturday morning growers market has been as much a feature of Pyrmont as the iconic Anzac Bridge.**

The much-loved Pyrmont Growers Market runs from 7:30am to 12 noon on the **fourth Saturday** of every month, directly opposite the harbour-side entrance of The Star. Farmers, producers and makers sell fresh, natural produce and authentically made foods.

For more information visit [pyrmontgrowersmarket.com.au](http://pyrmontgrowersmarket.com.au)

# THE STAR COMMUNITY GRANTS UPDATE

**CULTURE AT WORK were the recipients of a community grant from The Star to assist them with their artists in residence program.**

Located in Pyrmont CULTURE AT WORK is an art science creative hub with a mission and vision to connect art and science through artists and scientists to inspire future generations of creative thinkers through collaborations, studio residencies, exhibitions, public talks and public programs.

We caught up with CULTURE AT WORK to find out more about their artists in residence program.

## **'Microbeplastica'**

Melbourne based artist Carolyn Cardinet completed her 'Microbeplastica' art-science residency at CULTURE AT WORK in June this year.

Carolyn's 'Microbeplastica' provides a window into the hidden microscopic microbial world as she portrays the amazing transformations that occur

on a simple plastic surface once it enters a major urban river, to create a new habitat called the 'plastisphere'. Carolyn said: "Plastic contributes to polluting oceans, impacts sea creatures, sea birds and enters our food chain. My mission is to create awareness, in this 60-year human legacy, with sculptural installations to mirror this global problem."

## **'Deception'**

Lea Kannar-Lichtenberger, MA, MFA, (Sydney College of the Arts) resided at CULTURE AT WORK for 4 weeks, where she explores the impact tourism and ocean debris on isolated islands such as Deception Island in Antarctica.

Her installation 'Deception' reveals how we're effecting and affecting Deception Island – which by its isolation, its surrounding waters, it and its wildlife remain virtually invisible to our world.

Lea has been creatively investigating and interpreting the human footprint in our oceans. During her recent trek to Antarctic territory, she even transported her own videos of urban worlds and projected them onto the pristine, albeit melting ice mass at Deception Island – a unique creative confrontation.

The Star is proud to be part of the City of Sydney and provides financial assistance to local organisations that play a vital role in our community. Find out more via [www.thestarsydney.com.au](http://www.thestarsydney.com.au)



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'Deception'

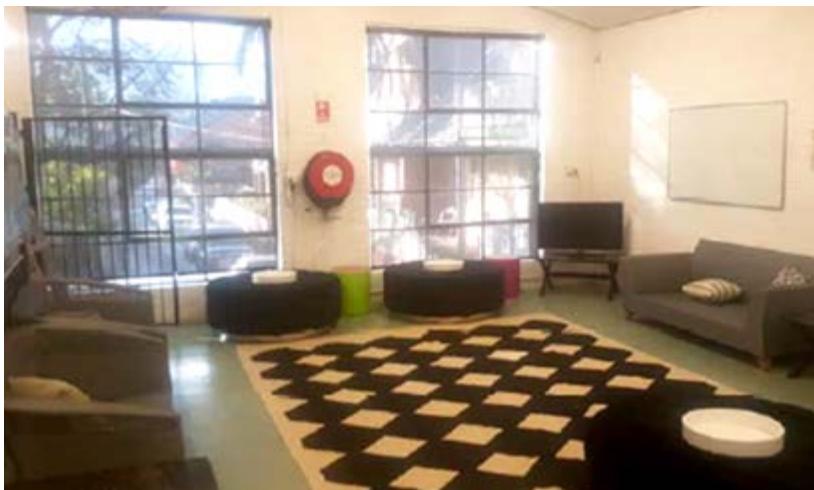
## **KEEPING PYRMONT SAFE**

**The Star has a zero tolerance approach towards anti-social behaviour in and around its property, and we are committed to working with our neighbours to create a better community for everyone who works and lives in Pyrmont.**

Our Asset Protection team regularly patrols the streets in the immediate vicinity of The Star. If anti-social behaviour is observed, the individuals concerned are asked to move on. The police are consulted where appropriate.

If residents are concerned about or would like to report an incident, including loud and anti-social behaviour, please call our Asset Protection Team on **02 9657 8723** and we will do our best to assist.

# MAKE OVER AT BARNARDOS YURUNGAI CENTRE



The Star encourages all its employees to actively engage with and support the local community, so we arranged for our team members to volunteer their time for a complete makeover of Barnardos Yurungai Learning Centre in Waterloo last month.

On Tuesday, 6 June 2017 The Star team painted walls, replaced lamps, and delivered and installed a range of donated furniture goods, making an incredible difference to the Learning Centre and ensuring a fantastic transformation.

The centre provides support for local families in need through after-school care for primary school children from Kindergarten to Year 6. The Learning Centre staff nurture and encourage the children's education through guided reading and homework support, art, music, and cultural activities. All children are given a healthy hot meal after being collected from local schools.

## UPTOWN FESTIVAL: OUR STORIES

**UPtown Festival: Our Stories, is a celebration of the Ultimo and Pyrmont community and their stories, music, dance, food, art and culture.**

The festival ran for 31 years until 2012, and this year the Pyrmont Ultimo Network of Services (PUNS) is excited to be bringing it back. The festival will have performances from talented artists, including local choirs and bands, Aboriginal performances, as well as performances for children on the kids' stage and plenty of stalls for food, shopping and more.

**When:**

Saturday, 28 October 2017  
11am – 5pm

**Where:**

Quarry Green, Ultimo

**More information**

[facebook/uptownfestival](http://facebook/uptownfestival)



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