



To further support this grant application, I have listed the collaborative community arts projects I have either created, managed and facilitated or was contracted by collaborative partners to deliver. All of the projects listed below were successful in achieving outcomes above and beyond expectations, had long term positive effects for participants and furthered the careers of creative practitioners and facilitators working with me. I am very proud of the body of work I have been blessed to delivery during my career thus far.

## Creative Arts Projects funded by Regional Arts Development Fund

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### **Soldiers Wife: Stories in Song (Dalby 2015)**

Community arts project for families of veterans from Dalby including song-writing workshops and a live showcase (outcomes were included in a book and CD of the same name)

[Soldiers Wife Project – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Waminda Glee Dalby (2014)**

Facilitated and managed a three-month choir project for those living with disability in the Dalby area

### **Child Protection Week Music Video Project Bundaberg (2018)**

Creative arts workshops and showcase for Bundaberg youth within the foster care system including the creation of music and video clips for social media and live performance for Child Protection Week

[Child Protection Week Project – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Chinchilla Glee Chincilla (2013)**

Formation of a singing group for residents of Chinchilla and surrounds as a sister choir to the Dalby Reconciliation Choir (formed in partnership with Goondir Health Services in 2011)

[Community Choir Projects – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Tara Music Group (2014)**

Formation of a singing group for residents of Tara and surrounds as a sister choir to the Dalby Reconciliation Choir (formed in partnership with Goondir Health Services in 2011) and Chinchilla Glee

[Community Choir Projects – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Music Makers Project (2016) Co-funded by APRA AMCOS**

Full artist mentoring project for regional songwriting including workshops for management, booking gigs, photography, website design, copyright and royalties, performance, songwriting and touring

[Music Makers Project – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Cultural Connections for NAIDOC WEEK Dalby (2015)**

Cross cultural song writing and performance project with Glenn Skuthorpe for the local NAIDOC Week Event

[Cultural Connection – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **National Youth Week Music Video Project (2015)**

Two local songwriters and two bands were able to create a music video for one of their original songs with the mentoring of a professional team of artists and these videos were premiered during a National Youth Week event held in Dalby

[NYW Original Music Videos – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Winton Outback Festival –Youth Workshops and Performances (2013-2019)**

Engaging local children, youth and adults in creative arts as part of Winton's festival including workshops, installations, song writing and performances

[Winton Outback Festival – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Chinchilla Melon Festival (2013-2015)**

A full music developmental project culminating in performances from choirs, local primary school and individual artists and bands from the region

### **Jandowae Timbertown Festival (2012-2014)**

A full music developmental project culminating in performances from the local primary school and individual artists and bands from the region

### **Augathella Glee for the Augathella Hospital Fete (2012)**

A full music developmental project culminating in performances from the local primary school and individual artists and bands from the region

### **Youth Creatives (Dalby and Charleville) Performance showcase at Shockwave Festival (2013)**

A performance workshop program that mentored artists from Dalby and Charleville culminating in performances at the Shockwave Youth Arts Festival in Blackall

## **Creative Arts Projects done in partnership or with alternative funding**

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### **Songbirds of Childers (2018)**

Songwriting Project for women from the Childers area including a live performance and recording of songs  
[Songbirds of Childers – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Songbirds of Childers @ Women of The World Festival (2018)**

WOW Festival main stage performances both days of festival and invited to play at WOW Launch Event

### **Songbirds of Childers @ Childers and Crush Festival (2018)**

Regional Songwriting Project for women from the Childers area preparation and performance of original songs at Bundaberg and Childers annual festivals

### **Dancing on the Downs Project (2014) Funded by the PCYC Dalby**

A project for Youth at Risk – facilitating creative arts workshops for local disengaged youth

### **Dalby Reconciliation Choir (2011-2016) Funded by various grants programs through Goondir Health**

Facilitated and managed the longest running creative community project for Goondir Health Services Dalby  
[Community Choir Projects – Melinda J Wells](#)

### **Shockwave Youth Arts Festival (2011-2016)**

Facilitating music and creative arts workshops in Blackall, Tambo, Longreach, Winton, Alpha, Charleville, Barcardine culminating in the annual Shockwave youth-led festival in Blackall every year  
[Shockwave Festival Central West – Melinda J Wells](#)

## **Festivals and Community Events (Volunteering)**

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### **Harmony Day (Sunshine Coast Council and Sunshine Coast Multicultural Network) (2019)**

Sound and Stage Management and live performances including mentoring USC students in live sound

### **Sunshine Coast Pride Festival (Marjorie Blowers) (2019)**

Sound and Stage Management and live performances including mentoring USC students in live sound

### **Woodford Folk Festival (2019)**

Stage Manager at Blue Lotus Venue

### **Woodford Folk Festival (2013-2017)**

Venue Manager for Bill's Bar overseeing stage, sound, bar, food and all aspects of the venue

### **Caloundra Music Festival (2019 + 2021)**

Assistant stage manager for the Soul Stage (main stage)

### **Dalby Delicious and Delightful Festival (2011-2016)**

Stage manager, artist bookings, artist liaison, media, marketing and promotions, lantern building and lantern parade, community workshops, event management as needed