

BRINGING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

Film has been bringing communities together on the Mid North Coast for nearly 100 years. From travelling shows like that of Bill Wright to country halls to the building of small town cinemas in the 1930's and 40's they have created a hub of our social activity. Some classic examples still exist (albeit renovated and reinvented) while the stories of others are still told in our museums and photographic archives.

Today we have a new wave of film festivals and film makers but our history of film should not be forgotten.

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DID YOU KNOW

Where was the smallest cinema in Australia?

The Terrace Cinema in Tinonee had 22 seats. Only recently closed its projector, curtains, seats and paraphernalia can be seen at the Tinonee Museum

Where can you still see part of the set of The Umbrella Woman filmed on the coast in 1980's?

The boarding house façade is now incorporated into the Bowraville Museum

Who was the fittest runner in the industry?

Whoever had to cycle furiously between the Tasma and Jetty Cinemas in Coffs Harbour in the 1940's with each reel. See much of this history at the Coffs Harbour Regional Museum

A FEW FACTS

Films made on or about the Mid North Coast

1977 - The Picture Man

1978 - The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith

1987 - The Umbrella Woman

2003 - Danny Deckchair

2012 - Thirst

2013 - Adoration

INSPIRING CONNECTIONS

2001 - Russell Crowe
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2001 - Baz Luhrmann
Golden Globe, Best Motion Picture, Moulin Rouge

2000 - Russell Crowe
Oscar, Best Actor, Gladiator

1997 - Geoffrey Rush
Oscar, Best Actor, Shine

1996 - Baz Luhrmann
BAFTA, Best Director, Romeo & Juliet

STILL SCREENING

Where did Baz Luhrmann get his first taste of film?

As a lad from Herons Creek, and his dad worked at the eclectic Plaza Theatre, still described as being at the charming edge of kitsch

What is one of the most significant examples of community crowdfunding and support?

The community effort to raise over \$140,000 to save and redevelop the 1940's Sawtell Cinema

Where is the most creative use of a cinema complex on the Mid North Coast?

The 1940's art deco theatre in Bowraville now the home of film, theatre and community education

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A RICH FUTURE FOR FILM ON THE MID NORTH COAST

Arts Mid North Coast will be releasing a number of initiatives in 2017 to enhance screen culture.

Check our website for:

History of film on the Mid North Coast

Events guide for film events

Directory of local Film Societies

Local Film Festivals

A Guide to the Film Industry

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Directory for film creatives

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