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RESEARCH REQUESTS

If anyone can help with either of the requests below from two ALGA members re material for forthcoming exhibitions, please contact the requesters direct at the emails indicated. Deadlines for both are reasonably soon.

Licence to Thrill project

Darian Zam, an artist and researcher from Sydney, has been commissioned by a gallery in Potts Point, James Dorahy Artspace, to complete a project for Sydney Art Month 2011, which opens on March 1st.

It is to be an installation at well known East Sydney literary institution Kings Cross Art+Books, in Roslyn Street. The work, most likely a slide projection of words and images or moving footage, will be about creatives and past art events in the Kings Cross Precinct.

It is to be focussed on 1939-1975, that is, through WWII, the Vietnam War and the period in between - what is commonly referred to as the "R&R Period".

Darian is looking for anyone who remembers, or has contacts who remember, life and events during that period, or has images and/or documents pertaining to that theme and period of time. This is quite urgent with a deadline seven weeks away.

If you can help, please contact Darian Zam directly:

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License To Thrill project on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/License-to-Thrill/126007531937>

Wine bars in Beaumont Street, Newcastle, NSW - c. early 1970s

Sharron Carroll, who is currently volunteering at Newcastle Regional Museum in NSW, is assisting curator Julie Baird with an exhibition depicting life in Beaumont Street, Hamilton, Newcastle NSW.

In the early 70's there were a number of gay, lesbian and transgender wine bars in Beaumont Street, Hamilton: "Bernie's Wine Bar", officially "Capana's Wine Bar", or the "Side Street Bar" (off Cleary Street, Hamilton). One of the revues was called "Mary's Side Street Revue". [These are referred to in the book *Out in the Valley* edited by Jim Wafer, Erica Southgate and Lyndal Coan (1996) - esp p96 in chapter by Jim Wafer, 'Uncle Doreen's Drag Album' - ed.]

Sharron would welcome any material relating to this period, particularly photographs or names of people around at that time who may be able to help.

Images will need to be finalised by the end of January 2011 for an official opening of the exhibition in May 2011. It's envisaged they will remain on permanent display at the Museum.

If you're able to help, please contact Sharron direct at scarroll@hotmail.net.au

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HISTORY WALK - BOOK EARLY

Places are limited for ALGA's South Yarra history walk on Sunday 30 January.
Bookings are done on the Midsumma website

<http://www.midsumma.org.au/component/jevents/icalrepeat.detail/2010/12/05/64/-/->

and don't forget, if you're an ALGA member, you're eligible for the concession rate.

Best wishes for 2011

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Joan Nestle, ALGA patron.

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