

Former Prime Minister to open new Boyd art exhibition

A collection of works from the Boyd dynasty has been assembled by Galleria Aniela (Mt Scanzi Road) and will be officially be opened on Saturday March 24.

Because of the importance of *The Lost Bride (on show)* and the meaning behind the *Bride series*, **The Hon. Bob Hawke AC, the Former Minister of Australia**, known for commitment to all things Australian, agreed to travel to Kangaroo Valley to personally launch the landmark show at 2.30 pm.

Helena and Jamie Boyd make a trip from London to attend the launch.

In 1951, 30-year-old Arthur Boyd travelled to Central Australia where he witnessed injustice and the strained relationships between indigenous Australians and white Australians. In 1955-58, **Arthur Boyd developed his first series of *Bride images* that are now considered the most important of his work.**

The early paintings of *Bride* series had as their focus the relationship between Australia's white and indigenous occupants.

Sotheby's fetched a record \$1.2 million for Arthur Boyd *The Frightened Bridegroom* mid-sized board, from the artist's *Bride series*, that

broke the record of \$1.1m paid at Christies in 2001 for Boyd's *'Bridegroom Waiting for His Bride to Grow Up'*.

Galleria Aniela anticipates great public interest with such a rare exhibition as 'A Century of Boyd' that includes

the *Lost Bride* painting from the first **original Arthur Boyd *Bride* series** that will attract many visitors to the Valley.

The painting was concealed in Arthur Boyd London studio, on the two pieces of board, bolted with screws to the base of the artist's art trolley.

Despite of the astonishing circumstances, the previously unseen painting survived almost six decades.

It is now for the first time, revealed for the public viewing.

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NSW Government congratulated for announcing new smoke-free laws

Cancer Council's Southern Region has applauded the NSW Government for today announcing that it is set to introduce smoke-free outdoor laws across NSW.

NSW Health Minister, Jillian Skinner, said the legislation covering smoke-free children's playgrounds, sporting fields when sports are being played, and covered bus shelters and taxi ranks, will be introduced in the spring session parliament 2012.

Meanwhile, additional legislation protecting people from harmful second-hand tobacco on outdoor commercial premises will be introduced in 2015.

Cancer Council's Southern Region has praised the NSW Government for listening and acting upon the needs of the community.

"Cancer Council is delighted that the NSW government has taken this crucial step to protect children, parents and the whole community from toxic second-hand smoke," Tina Hunt Regional Programs Coordinator of Cancer Council's Southern Region said.

"But this will also protect new smokers from the harmful effects of smoking and support people who want to quit, and discourage young people from taking up smoking.

"Businesses can be reassured that this announcement will be good for them, with

research showing that for every person who objects to smoke-free dining, seven people will favour the move. This means smoke-free dining is good for health, good for dining and good for business," she said.

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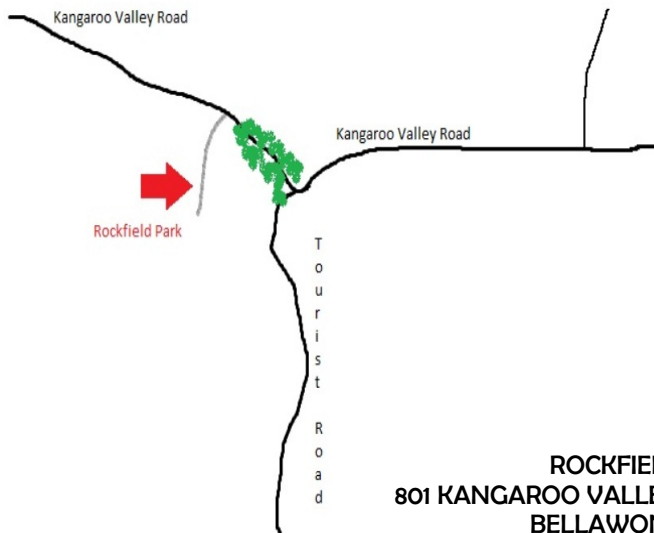
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