THURSDAY 3 / NOVEMBER - SUNDAY 20 / 2016

Box Hill Community Arts Centre (BHCAC) and Timor-Leste's Afalyca Art Centre have collaborated to produce the Mai Fali Eh exhibition this November.

ABOUT AFALYCA ART CENTRE

Since its establishment in 2007, Afalyca's students have studied with visiting teachers and resident artists and showcased paintings and drawings throughout Timor-Leste. Activities at the school have included bookbinding, mural works, photography, musical workshops, figure drawing, lino printing

and sculpture. In the ruins of a post-war country, Afalyca has lead the way in connecting the local community using art and music to rebuild shattered lives and reinforce people's cultural identity.



Box Hill Community Arts Centre is an artistic and cultural hub within the City of Whitehorse. Home to a wide variety of local arts and community groups, the centre is a meeting place where people from all walks of life can come together to experience and enjoy the arts. Art classes and workshops are on offer throughout the year for people of all ages.

BHCAC has enjoyed an association with Afalyca since 2009 and a strong mutual respect has grown between the two community art centres. Students from Afalyca have presented exhibitions in the BHCAC gallery and participated in previous collaborative exhibitions.

'MAI FALI EH' MEANING

'Mai Fali Eh' is a well-known Timorese song that depicts a mother calling her children home at sunset. The song has also been used to beckon those who have left Timor-Leste during its troubled past to return.



MAI FALIEH, FILA FALIEH,

Come home, do come home,

MAMA BOLU ITA FALI EH

Our mum is calling us home

LORON ATU TUN ONA,

The sun is setting,

FULAN ATU SAE ONA:

The moon is shining:

MAMA BOLU ITA FALI EH

Our mum is calling us home

MAI FALIEH, FILA FALIEH,

Come home, do come home,

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ABOUT THE EXHIBITION

BHCAC tutor Trish Bourke recently travelled to Timor-Leste to hold workshops with local women's art groups. The resulting artworks form the Mai Fali Eh exhibition and its emphasis on the importance of family and food to women in this developing nation.

CELEBRATION EVENT

Friday 4 November, 6pm–9pm

All are welcome to celebrate the opening on Friday 4 November at 6pm–9pm. The opening will feature performances by Mystic Trio and the Timorese Tebe Dancing Group.

To RSVP, please phone BHCAC on 9895 8888 by 27 October 2016.

WORKSHOPS

All events and workshops will take place at Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station Street, Box Hill.

For more information and booking, visit www.bhcac.com.au or phone 9895 8888.

FLAVOURS OF TIMOR-LESTE COOKING DEMONSTRATION



Sunday 13 November, 10am–4pm Cost: \$120 / 1 day

In this cooking demonstration, learn and eat six sweet and savoury dishes (including vegetarian options) as well as learning about the language and culture of Timor-Leste. Dishes include batar-da'an (corn stew with pumpkin), salada hudi dubun ho atun (banana shoots and tuna salad), rissois de galinha (chicken rissoles), tukir (traditional Timorese goat stew), karíl na'an-manu (chicken curry) and dose ai-farina (tapioca and yam cake).

TIMORESE LINOCUT WORKSHOP

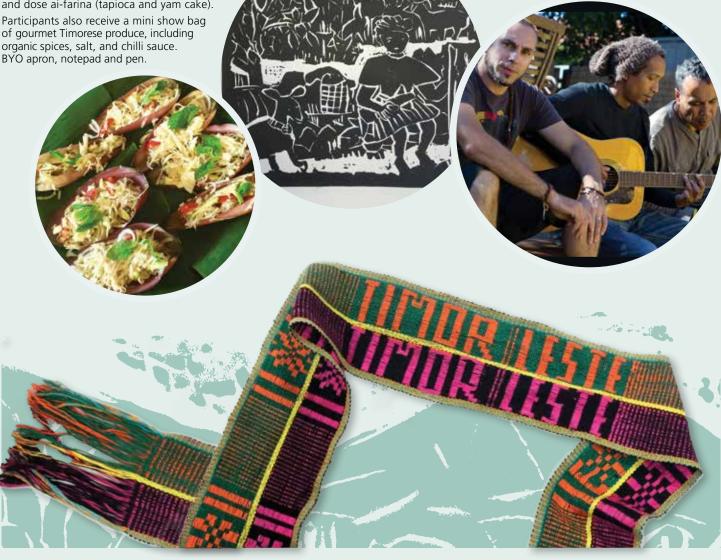
Friday 4 November, 10.30am–1.30pm Saturday 5 November, 1pm–4pm Cost: \$33 / 1 day

Printmaking is a popular and important artistic medium in Timor-Leste, allowing artists to express themselves and voice their experiences. Under the guidance of Trish Bourke join visiting international artists from Baucau, Timor-Leste, to learn the techniques of linocut printing to carve and print your own designs. Materials included.

TIMORESE MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND WORKSHOP WITH MYSTIC TRIO

Sunday 6 November, 12pm–2pm Cost: \$10 per person (includes performance and workshop)

Spend your Sunday afternoon enjoying the laid back and mesmeric sounds of Timorese band Mystic Trio. Join musicians Paulo Almeida, Gil Santos and Zeca Mesquita as they play original and traditional Timorese songs in the beautiful Arbour Hall. After the performance learn about the musical culture of Timor-Leste and join the band in a dance and sing along. Fun for the whole family!







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