



OUR SHED



EVERYONE IS EQUAL... EVERYONE HAS A PURPOSE... AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Access Our Shed supports people living with a disability and disadvantaged people through community programs and vocational pathways, promoting social inclusion while boosting confidence and developing skills.

Our Shed is a purpose-driven organisation focussed on strengthening the community, embracing diversity and empowering

individuals towards greater independence.

Our Shed was established as a community assistance centre after the devastating Black Saturday bush-fires in 2009.

Earlier this year Our Shed joined forces with Bendigo Access Employment to further reinforce the link between training and

employment organisations.

Access Our Shed offers a range of activities for the community from woodworking, community gardening through to art.

Accredited training and pathways to employment are now part of the suite of services the community can access.



HOBART TRIP JULY 2015

Six excited artists, along with three carers and two parents travelled to Hobart last month for a long weekend.

Even the initial plane trip proved exciting as some of the group had never been on a plane before.

Highlights included a visit to the world famous Mona Gallery, a trip around Salamanca Markets and an excursion to the Tasmanian Devil sanctuary.

The weekend provided plenty of happy memories and stories for all those present.



WORK FOR THE DOLE PROJECT

We recently received a call from Matchworks to see if we were interested in a Work for the Dole Project.

The timing was perfect as we were had been making plans to develop our Twelve Shed Arts workshop into a fully equipped arts studio.

Twelve Arts has been running inclusive art workshops, facilitated by local artists, for four years and new developments starting soon will take us to the next level.



Individual artists have been encouraged for some time to develop their own styles, and we will be undertaking further work to support participants to generate their own income from the art they sell.

The WFD project will enable us to employ a supervisor for the six participants through BAE Disability Employment Service for six months.

It is hoped the studio will be operational early next year.



CONNECTION TO A REGISTERED TRAINING ORGANISATION (RTO)

An exciting new development is the partnership between Access Our Shed and Bendigo Access Employment's Registered Training Organisation (RTO). This has increased the range of options available and provides participants with the opportunity to further develop their skills through accredited training. Currently on offer is Certificate I in Transition Education.

This course has been designed for people experiencing disability or learning difficulties. Learners have the opportunity to engage in a range of learning activities that focus on independent living, vocational and employability skills, personal development and community involvement. Through project based learning focused on woodwork and art, and positive teaching methods, participants gain vital skills in the areas of workplace participation, social development and financial independence.

Twelve participants attend two classes in woodwork and art each Thursday. Classes in this programme are still available.

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Training provided by Victorian Occupational Training Educational Services. TOID 4603. Accredited training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding to eligible students. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to access government subsidised training.

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