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Local artist expanding arts capacity in Cape York

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Long time local resident and artist Waratah Nicholls will be engaging the community with arts through her new role as Cook Shire Council's Regional Arts Officer.

Ms Nicholls has worked and lived in Cape York since the 1980s, during which time she has developed and delivered numerous arts programs, working with events, community groups and schools. Ms Nicholls will be delivering Arts Queensland's Regional Arts Services Network (RASN) initiative. "As Regional Arts Officer delivering RASN for Cape York and Torres Strait, initially I will be working with all stakeholders, artists, art organisations and companies to identify and prioritise local needs and build networks and collaboration across the region," Ms Nicholls said. "I'm excited to be part of an initiative that is enlivening creative endeavour and developing innovation in the arts."

The Regional Arts Services Network is a network of regional arts service providers across Queensland who, supported by the State Coordination Officer, work together to deliver on the ground arts services in their regions. They will drive regional development across regions and work with the local arts sector, the community and key stakeholders to determine specific and cultural priorities for their region.

For more information contact Ms Nicholls via email to mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4069 5444.

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