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# Dunstan News

**August 2020**

**Dear Friends and Supporters,**

We hope that you and your loved ones are all doing well and keeping both safe and healthy in these uncertain times.

Earlier this month and in collaboration with numerous partners, we proudly presented a successful Homelessness Week program of content. In other years, we have marked the week with our very popular Homelessness Conference. However, this year our program delivered content without requiring groups of people to come together. The program was very well received by our participants in the universities, the housing and homelessness sectors, our corporate partners and the general public. Links to some of the content are below.

We have also been thrilled that our Adelaide Zero Project data for July displayed good progress, and we are looking forward to the August data which will become available in the coming days. The Project's current data is always available on our [website](#).

Otherwise, we have been delighted to once again support and participate in the South Australian Living Artists Festival throughout August. It's been fantastic to see our local artists continuing to showcase their art despite the current challenges. You can find more about the winner of the Don Dunstan Foundation SALA Award below and on our [website](#).

Warm regards,  
**Ritchie Hollands**  
Executive Director

**Homelessness Week Wrap**



## 2020 Homelessness Week Series - Wrap Up

As we wrap up Homelessness Week for 2020, we want to thank you, our engaged audience and participants in the events across the week.

Our two well-attended webinars, and the release of our joint project papers on health, homelessness and housing gave valuable takeaways to the community across the week.

Access and share the media and event recordings from the 2020 Homelessness Week Series [HERE](#).

As our final event for the week, our mixed-media competition for university students yielded some outstanding entries and helped to shed light on issues surrounding homelessness. We are pleased to announce our winning entrants, Trinity Liao of University of Adelaide and Rubayat Sarwar of Flinders University.

Read their stories below.



### Competition Winner: Trinity Liao

Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced), University of Adelaide  
Submission: Digital Art

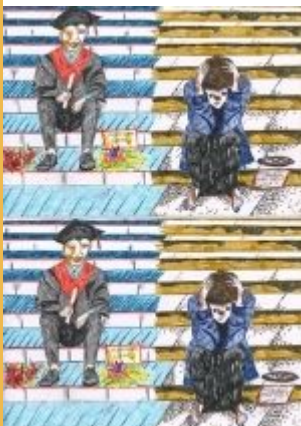
Trinity describes herself as a wonderful mix of contradictions, “I’m not always the most capable or reliable person, but I make up for it in grit and endurance. I’m introverted but can talk for hours if I’m with the right people. I’m a realist who tries to see things from other people’s perspectives, but you will always hear me encouraging friends to reach for their dreams. I love learning but loathe studying”.

She is in her second year studying Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced) at the University of Adelaide. She is interested in working as a software engineer or researcher at a space/aerospace company, around innovative technologies and with collaborative opportunities.

Alongside of study, Trinity volunteers as a workshop volunteer at Robogals Adelaide, where she gets to teach students the basics of programming a mini robot. She finds it particularly exhilarating seeing engagement from young women and rural young people in STEM.

You can view Trinity’s winning entry and read her engaging responses [HERE](#).

Connect with Trinity on [LinkedIn](#).



### Competition Winner: Rubayat Sarwar

Masters of Business (Finance), Flinders University  
Submission: Drawing

Rubayat is from Bangladesh and, after working 5 years at the Central Bank of Bangladesh, has come to Australia to study finance under the Australia Awards Scholarship.

When asked about his future goals, he responded, “Having good experience in the economic sector, and theoretical knowledge from my master’s degree, I dream to contribute more and more for world economy and sustainable growth. In future, I see myself working in IMF/ World Bank/ Reserve Bank of Australia or any other leading organisation”.

Rubayat currently volunteers with the Red Cross and at the Flinders Community Market as a seller.

To complement Rubayat's time studying in Australia, he is currently seeking part time or casual work in either the economic sector or something that relates to, "my hobby and passion – drawing/ painting/ music. I believe I can offer my dedication, knowledge and leadership skills at my workstation".

To view Rubayat's artwork and to read more from our interview, click [HERE](#).

Connect with Rubayat on [LinkedIn](#).

## General

### South Australian Living Artists Festival - DDF Award winner announced



As part of each year's Festival, the Foundation proudly sponsors the SALA Don Dunstan Foundation Award, which is presented for a piece which stimulates thinking on social issues.

This year's winner of the SALA Don Dunstan Foundation Award is Makeda Duong for her piece *Mixed Race Sweater* (pictured).

Read more about Makeda [HERE](#).



### Event Recordings

If you want to catch up on any of our digital events across the last couple of months, you can access them through our YouTube channel. See the links below.

#### Reconciliation Week Panel

##### **Influencing our Influencers - how we can build reconciliation together.**

This event featured the Aboriginal Pro Vice-Chancellors from the University of Adelaide and Flinders University, who discussed why reconciliation in higher education is so important and how it then influences research, government, policy makers and community.

#### Food Security Panel

##### **How to foster food security in uncertain times.**

Is there enough food in SA for everyone? As we look to focus some future work on food security, we held a digital event to discuss the effects of COVID-19 on the security of food available to South Australians. This webinar, co-presented with the Stretton Institute, featured leaders from South Australia's food relief, education and industry sector.

[READ](#) our story on this panel.

#### Thinkers in Residence Panel

##### **What's next for the Arts to survive and thrive?**

COVID-19 has kept us indoors and has had a devastating effect on the music and arts industries. This event featured the Foundation's very first Thinker in Residence (2013), [Martin Elbourne](#), joined by leading South Australian arts experts, discussing 'How can we work with communities to build new environments in which arts can thrive and be sustained?'

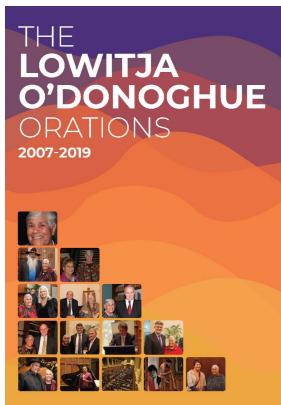
[READ](#) our story on this panel.

#### [Homelessness Week Series](#)

With housing issues at the forefront of people's minds and unemployment levels rising, 2020's Homelessness Week was as important as ever. There was a special global focus with homelessness expert, Dr Nonie Brennan, who joined us live from Canada. A progress update was also given on the Adelaide Zero Project and its goal of reaching functional zero street homelessness in the inner city.

[Global and local perspectives on homelessness in a pandemic](#)  
[Adelaide Zero Project Community Briefing](#)

## Aboriginal Economic Empowerment



### **Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration Book - Now available in hard copy**

In celebration of the 13 years of the Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration, we have created a stunning and informative book covering the text and photos from each of the past Orations.

Now that COVID-19 restrictions have eased, we are selling the gorgeous hard copy version. Funds from the sales of both hard or digital copies will support the Foundation and our commitment to Reconciliation in South Australia.

[BUY NOW](#)

## Homelessness



### **Dame Louise Casey is now a Baroness!**

The Foundation congratulates 2017 Don Dunstan Orator, and homelessness expert, Dame Louise Casey for being elevated to the title of Baroness by Her Majesty The Queen.

Read more [HERE](#)

## Interns and Volunteers

Our volunteers and interns provide invaluable support to the Foundation, and we would like to share their skills and experience with you. If you have any roles that you think they would fit, please don't hesitate to jump onto their LinkedIn to connect.



Name: **Frank Algra-Maschio**

DDF volunteer role: Office Volunteer. Primary duties include assisting the Adelaide Zero Project and Thinkers in Residence team and grant writing.

Currently seeking opportunities in policy and research roles in areas that include foreign policy, international development, public policy and social justice.

LinkedIn: [www.linkedin.com/in/frank-algra-maschio-a7b41b15b](https://www.linkedin.com/in/frank-algra-maschio-a7b41b15b)



Name: **Rowena Garcia**

DDF volunteer role – Graphic Designer

I have experience in graphic design and love creating tailored visual solutions that can communicate your message in a visually dynamic way.

Website: <https://www.squeakypeadesigns.com>

Linked In: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/rowena-garcia-graphic-designer/>



Name: **Ed McLeish**

DDF Volunteer – Media, Journalism and Communications

I'm an experienced journalist who also specialises in creative writing and online content. I'm interested in any position where I can write!

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/edward-mcleish-9aa0a115a/>



Name: **Lili Rose**

DDF Intern – Communications

I'm experienced in content writing, editing, and I'm interested in event services and communications positions.

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/lili-rose97/>

**News and Events From Our Friends**





## 'Lowitja' - The long-awaited biography out soon!

One of our valued Patrons, Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue AC CBE DSG, has a long-standing association with the Foundation through our annual, signature DDF event, the Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration. Now, a new biography has been penned and is set for release.

The profoundly moving biography of Australia's most respected and recognisable Indigenous leader is due to be released on 29 September.

Journalist Stuart Rintoul tells the story of the remarkable rise of an extraordinary woman. A rise against the odds and the injustices of her times. A powerful and unrelenting advocate for her people and an inspiration for many.

'Lowitja' will be available in hardback and ebook on 29 September and is now available to pre-order below.

[PRE-ORDER HERE](#)



## SIINSA - Social Investment Scholarship

SIINSA has announced their second social impact investment scholarship in memory of co-founder and South Australian Impact Investment vanguard, Mr Brenton Wright. The Scholarship award of over \$5000 will be awarded to an individual to undertake a project which demonstrates the potential to advance impact investment in South Australia

Applications can be submitted through the SIINSA website and are now open.

For further information click [HERE](#)



## Spirit of Woman - Fundraising for the Place of Courage

Spirit of Woman is an organisation focused on reducing domestic violence. In a new project, the Place of Courage, Adelaide will see the creation of a public art space in the Parklands, dedicated to the victims and survivors of domestic and family violence and designed to foster healing through sharing, personal reflection, gatherings and education.

You can read more about how you can be involved or support [HERE](#).

## What we are reading and watching

Look how far we've come: [Social enterprise](#), Maggie Coggan

Advocates say it's time to adopt a [Canadian-style refugee program](#), Luke Michael

The ache for home is more important than the [drive for wealth](#), John Falzon

[Lowitja O'Donoghue Orations Book](#), Don Dunstan Foundation

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