Continuity and change - exhibition opens at Opera House

An exhibition of ceramics by the students, staff and graduates of Chisholm’s School of Art and Design was opened by the Minister for the Arts, Mr Race Matthews, on 3 September at the Sydney Opera House.

The exhibition, called ‘Continuity and Change’, had been shown previously in Melbourne and in Nanjing in China’s Jiangsu Province.

Mr Lindsay Anderson, who organised the exhibition, said the theme had been chosen to indicate the artistic contributions of both China and Australia. China has a rich background in ceramics and has developed many highly specialised techniques. Australians have drawn upon this knowledge but have chosen to use their skills in different but innovative ways. Hence the exhibition shows both the influences of continuity and change.

Over 80 people contributed to the exhibition and over 250 works in glass, clay and concrete were shown.

The exhibits were supported by large format photographs and an audio-visual program showing Australian artists and craft workers in action. An attractive 24-page booklet of the work was launched to coincide with the Sydney showing. The photographs published in it show that Australians are producing work of an international standard.

The exhibition is aimed to foster exchanges between Chisholm and overseas art workers. Mr Anderson said Chisholm hoped to avoid the danger of being too insular.

Following the showing of the exhibition in China, Chisholm has been able to arrange for Zhuo baja Zhang, a recent graduate, and now a part-time teacher of Fine Art, to visit the Institute for three months as an ‘artist in residence’.

Mr Anderson said some of the pieces shown in the exhibition had already been sold. Others may be for sale on completion of the exhibition and some will be made part of the College collection.

Peace prize winners

Below left, Eva Gilbert (1st Year), Noelle Buckley (3rd Year) and Richard Verhagen (3rd Year), the joint winners of the 1986 Lucato Peace prize in Fine Art.

The prize is donated each year by Mr and Mrs G. Lucato to bring to the attention of students the value of peace over war.
Chisholm Endeavour

The Division of Continuing Education at the Frankston campus of Chisholm is running a unique program for young people with head injuries.

Mr Dale Ingamells, Chairman of 'Chisholm Endeavour', said the program was developed because many head-injured people are unable to return to the workforce. They have organisational difficulties, short-term memory loss, a short concentration span and some of them behave in a bizarre way.

These young people are often forced to lead a lonely life lacking in stimulation. They are a constant worry to their families who seldom have a break away from them.

Chisholm Endeavour teaches life skills, such as using a diary or catching a taxi, as well as providing recreational opportunities and fostering feelings of success.

Mr Ingamells said that, in Victoria alone, about 2,200 people receive head injuries from road accidents each year. The program for them at Chisholm is the only one of its kind in Australia.

He said head-injured people usually undergo intensive rehabilitation programs in the first two years after an accident and their condition improves rapidly. After that they are often sent home and start to go down hill. Chisholm Endeavour works to stop this.

The program, which costs only about $15,000 a year to run, uses students as helpers for the program. They are volunteers from the School of Education who use the project as part of their teaching experience.

The major task of each student helper is to establish a one to one relationship with an injured person and to arrange learning activities which can be carried through on a regular basis using the teaching skills taught at Chisholm.

The students taking part in the project also undergo a training program organised jointly by the Yoovella Society of Victoria, Paraplegics and Quadraplegics Association, consultants and the School of Education.

The program is particularly concerned with the physical and mental repercussions of head injury and its social and personal effects.

There are about 30 head-injured people taking part at any one time. Three types of programs are run: a recreational one for people aged 18 to 35 years; occupational therapy for those over 35 and a computer rehabilitation program for people of all ages.

Mr Ingamells said he and Mr Jason Encel, who works one day a week with the project free of charge, are devising a special computer program for the injured people. The present program used comes from the US. Although it is helpful on matters such as memory training, it is not so relevant in the life skills area as it uses American jargon and situations.

Mr Ingamells and Mr Encel are also developing psychological test instruments for the head-injured as most of the ones available cater only for 'normal' people.

Mr Ingamells said the change in injured people's behaviour as a result of Chisholm Endeavour is noticed particularly by their families who report they are generally happier, calmer and easier to live with.

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Broadbanning will be retained for some staff employed before 8 April 1986 according to a Staffing Committee decision. Broadbanning is the linking of certain administrative and technical positions to form a career path of incremental salary levels. Specifically it is the linking of AO1/AO2, SAO1/SAO2, LT1/LT2 and TO1/TO2 classifications. This linking will be retained with a 'soft' barrier, or simple method of transition between the two, for those staff employed on the lower level of each of the paired classifications before 8 April 1986.

It was also decided that, should members of staff currently on non-broadbanded classifications such as AO3, be reclassified following the Hay Evaluation to the lower of two paired classifications which are currently broadbanded, they will not be eligible for progression to a higher broadbanded scale.

These decisions followed a paper presented to the Staffing Committee by the Acting Associate Director (Planning and Research), Dr Gray. After considerable discussions with the Staff Branch and VCISA, the recommendation was denied by the person reach that goal.

Harold Farey, Dean of the School of Art and Design, first went to school when he was two years nine months old.

When asked why he started so early he said he had been a precocious brat. He then tempered his claim. 'I was not a precocious brat, but apparently I pestered my parents to let him go to school with his elder sister. They thought I would get tired of it as he had to walk two miles each way. But he didn't. So Harold was launched on a career in the visual arts, in educational environments from which he will retire at the end of this year aged 56.

Harold said there were advantages and disadvantages in starting school so early. He had the feeling of running to catch up with the other kids at times but did not feel he was emotionally behind them. Indeed, he tended to be the gang leader.' His interest in the visual arts also started early. After sitting and passing the 11 plus scholarship exam at nine he did three years of secondary school before sitting for a scholarship to go to a junior art school where the curriculum was half in the visual arts and half formal academic education.

He finished school at 15 and then did a Diploma of Textile Design which he completed aged 18. Two years of national service in the RAF followed after which he migrated to Australia.

Harold was born in a small village called Comesher in Yorkshire in the north of England. It was mentioned in the Doomsday book but otherwise he claimed fame. He said Australian records which CIT had pioneered and was renowned for, were phased out. Now he feels the Hay Evaluation to the lower level incremental level diminished the impact of the cost. The Staff Branch will also be notified to take appropriate action. Where a negative recommendation is made or a positive recommendation is denied by the Director, the Staff member will be advised in writing of the reasons for the decision and will be informed of the recommendation and notification. Further information can be obtained from Michael Owens or Pat Hanlon of the Staff Branch.

Second part of the broadbanded range. Assessments will take place within the Department or Section and will involve negotiations with the candidate for progression. Assessments will take into account any changes in the nature and scope of duties and responsibilities attached to the position as well as the candidate's breadth of experience and competency of the candidate. Documentary evidence of changes and development in these areas should be retained.

The Director will consider each recommendation and notify the staff member as to whether or not their progression is approved. The Staff Branch will also be notified to take appropriate action.

Australia is behind the UK in legislation to control occupational health and safety according to Dr Christopher Gray, a visiting British chemist.

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Dr Gray concluded that the people providing training and development programs for the low performing owner/managers should take account of the learning patterns of their high performing counterparts when doing so.

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Dr Gray also believes that the Australian system places too much emphasis on the compensation and rehabilitation effects of occupational health and
Open Day successful

Picture A - Trying out the pottery wheel in an Art and Design studio at the Caulfield campus.

Picture B - These robots are amazing things! says one young visitor to the Robotics laboratory.

Picture C - Physics can be fun - another young visitor contemplates one of the wonders of the Faculty of Technology's Physics laboratory.

Picture D - Hot glass work proved to be a very popular attraction during Open Day.

Snippets

Section 3.6.14 of the Institute's Disciplinary Procedures (Academic Staff) stipulated that a panel of 12 members of the academic staff should be elected annually to provide the staff members required for all inquiries concerning disciplinary action.

All members of the academic staff are eligible to nominate for and vote in such an election which is to be run in the same way as that used for the election of academic staff members to Council.

Nominations are hereby called for the above 12 positions. Nomination forms are available from the office of the Academic Secretary, 4 Quemus Avenue. These must be lodged at that office no later than 5pm on Friday, 12 September, 1986.

The Radiata Pine Association of Australia has donated $1,000 to the Chisholm Timber Engineering Technology Centre in recognition of the Centre's contribution to the pursuit of excellence in timber engineering.

The funds will be used to buy reference material, assist the sponsorship of an address by the internationally renowned timber engineer, Professor Julius Naster of the Federal Polytechnic University, Lausanne, Switzerland, and to provide an award for an outstanding student in timber design.

John Walker, Head of the Division of Engineering and Industrial Technology, said the RPAA award was a pleasant indication of the recognition the Timber Centre has achieved in the timber industry throughout Australia since it was established last year.

Murray Muskatt, who has co-edited the Professional Development Handbook published recently by the Institution of Engineers, Australia. Copies may be obtained from the Education Branch, Institution of Engineers, Australia, 191 Royal Parade, Parkville, 3052. The cost is $15 for students and $25 for other people.

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Books

A Directory of Women in Business, the Professions and Management in Australia is to be published later this year. Its purpose is to activate a network of women so they can contribute to each other's prosperity. The cost of an entry is $25 which includes the cost of a copy of the book. For further information please contact Rae Mathew on 690 7619 (bh) or 428 4964 (message) or Alfreda Stronach on 240 4396 (ah).

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Classifieds

The Supply Department has the following items for sale:

- two 12 drawer wooden catalogue cabinets,
- a 20 drawer wooden catalogue cabinet,
- a teleprinter,
- an oscilloscope,
- a B & W Philips Monitor,
- two Tektronics terminals model 410, and
- 361 sheets poster boards.

For further information and offers in writing contact Shirley Phillips, Supply Department, ext. 2096.

Thai link

The Water Studies Centre at Chisholm has recently signed an agreement on academic exchanges with the Faculty of Science at Chiang Mai University in Thailand.

The agreement aims to promote cooperation in academic research and teaching through joint research, organisation of symposia and exchanges of scholars, information and materials in the fields of mutual interest. In the future it is hoped also to have an exchange of expert personnel.

Dr Barry Hart, Director of the Centre at Chisholm, said the close association with the University of Chiang Mai had arisen through historical links between the two institutions through informal visits such as that by Dr Ron Beckett, Senior Lecturer in Chemistry at Chisholm, two and a half years ago.

These links have already proved valuable for example, the organisation of a two week training course on Water Quality Management for Tropical Regions which was attended by 18 scientists from six ASEAN countries.

Dr Hart said the exchange program was particularly useful for a developing country because, by showing how to link to a developed country, it was more likely to be able to borrow money from institutions such as the World Bank. These links showed the developing country had access to expertise despite its own limited pool of experts.

Because of the climatic difference between Thailand and Australia, the former could provide information on tropical systems work which is different from our more Mediterranean conditions.

At present the University of Chiang Mai would probably benefit more from the exchange program than Chisholm stood to gain from Masters degree students and future collaborative research, Dr Hart said.

Awards & Scholarships

The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works is offering four grants of $20,000 each for projects supporting waste minimisation and recycling.

Further information can be obtained from the Grants Secretariat, MMBW Industrial Waste Division, Fourth Floor, 601 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000, phone 615 5992 or 615 5428. Applications close on 22 September.

The Caltex Woman Graduate Scholarships are providing State Prizes of $5,000 each and a National Scholarship of $44,000. Caltex will give the winner of the latter a chance to attend an international conference overseas. Applications forms from Mrs J. Dawson, Honorary Secretary of the Selection Committee for Victoria, Caltex Woman Graduate of the Year Scholarship, Monash University, Clayton, 3168. Applications close on 26 September.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is offering a six weeks language courses and culture scholarship between 5 January and 18 February 1987. It includes all fees and accommodation costs but not airfares. For further information contact Dr Barry Hart, Director of the Water Studies Centre, Box 809, Melbourne, 3000, phone 615 5428. Applications close on 15 October.

What's On

The 1986 D. J. Ross Memorial Lecture will be given by Professor Malcolm Skilbeck, Vice-Chancellor of Deakin University, on Thursday, 18 September at 8pm in Ross Hall, Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Anderson Street, South Yarra. Admission is $4 payable at the door.

Professor Skilbeck will talk on 'Curriculum Balance and Student Assessment - an International Perspective on the Victorian Senior Secondary'.

The City of Caulfield is offering a wide range of activities for children and adults during Term 3 of the school year. Enquiries can be made to the Arts Centre on 524 3277 or the Recreational Centre on 524 3288.

Deadline

The Deadline for the Gazette is 2 October. Copy can be sent to the Public Relations Office, C106 or ring Elizabeth Owen on Ext. 2099.