

POLAROID PROJECT TO RECOGNISE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

As part of National Youth Week 2012 the City of Greater Bendigo Youth Development Team and the YO Bendigo Media Team are inviting the community to participate in a special photography exhibition called the Polaroid Project that recognises the contributions of young people.

Yo Bendigo Media Team member Nuhtaya Johnson said the Polaroid Project will put into focus the often unrecognised contributions that young people make in our community.

"This exhibition will be a snap shot of Greater Bendigo's impressive young people and we are encouraging members of the community to be part of this exciting exhibition by submitting a photograph along with a brief description of a young person aged 12-25 years who they think should be acknowledged and recognised," she said.

City of Greater Bendigo Youth Development Coordinator Kylie Emonson said she encouraged the whole community to get behind this exciting youth week initiative.

"National Youth Week is the largest celebration of young people in Australia and the Polaroid Project is a fantastic opportunity for us to celebrate what young people are doing in our community.

"There are many young people that are doing exciting things which often go unrecognised. They might be young carers, volunteers or a young artist or designer and we are encouraging people to think outside of the square with their submissions," said Ms Emonson.

All submitted photographs and text will be printed into a polaroid display and exhibited in the Allan's Walk Art Space windows throughout National Youth Week from the 16 to 22 April.

Submission forms are available on the Yo Bendigo website www.yobendigo.com.au and must be submitted by April 4, 2012.

The Polaroid Project is funded through the Victorian Government's Office of Youth and further information can be obtained by contacting the Youth Development Team on 5434 6094, or youth@bendigo.vic.gov.au and facebook/yobendigo

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