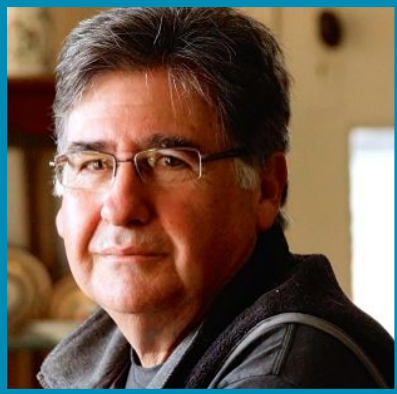




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We can't help everyone, but we can make a difference.

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Peter Ryan: A Man For All Seasons!

Kyneton Photographer, intrepid adventurer and all round good guy, Peter Ryan has made an exceptional donation to AFO. At his own expense, Peter is travelling to Viet Nam to join Roni Wildeboer for two weeks so he can professionally document the work Artists for Orphans do in Viet Nam. This is a wonderful contribution so stay tuned for our fabulous photographic diary!

Peter currently has an exhibition on at Ruby Cafe, 111 Mollison Street, Kyneton. After Viet Nam, Peter plans on visiting Antarctica!



Land for Fun at Khanh Vinh Orphanage

We at Artists for Orphans Inc are very excited about our upcoming projects in Vietnam. Roni leaves for Viet Nam on August 31st to oversee our latest projects. She expects to be there for approximately 8 weeks. The land above has been allocated for us to build a small soccer field and a playground on at Khanh Vinh Orphanage which is in a rural area and very poor.

The kids here have nothing at all and often just sit in their rooms. This project will not only stimulate the children, help give them a childhood, it will encourage them to exercise.

In addition to this, we propose buying wheelchairs for Thanh Xuan Peace Village in Ha Noi and to contribute to an overcrowded and understaffed orphanage in Hoi An. As usual, Roni will also visit other orphanages to assess their needs. These include Go Vap Orphanage, some orphanages in the Ba Vi district and many around



Sponsorship opportunity

For the last few years a very generous Melb business man, who wishes to remain anonymous, has sponsored Roni's travel expenses. Roni and her husband self funded her first four trips to Vietnam. What makes AFO different is the fact that we do not just send money over to Vietnam and hope it reaches it's target. We travel over to personally assess needs, confirm the authenticity of orphanages and oversee projects so it is imperative that this initiative continues. We need either \$3000 p/a for two trips to Vietnam per year or alternatively \$1500 p/a for one trip. In return, Artists for Orphans Inc will acknowledge your contribution in newsletters, on our website, in press releases, at fundraisers and on promotional material. We are registered with Vic Consumer Affairs and sponsored by Rotary.

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Nha Trang. She will meet up with our friend and partner, Son Michael Pham, Founder of Kids Without Borders from Seattle and our Vietnam Representative, Robert Constabile of Lanterns in Nha Trang as well as many other friends and contacts.

These projects are partially the result of our June Fundraiser at Kyneton Toyota and are being executed on behalf of all the artists who contributed and all our supporters.



Marcie & Roni Receive Awards

Marcie Jones and Roni Wildeboer were honoured to be guest speakers at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Lodge in Ivanhoe on Long Tan Day. The battle of Long Tan saw the action of 108 ANZACS against a Viet Cong (North Vietnamese) force estimated between 1,500 and 2,500. The Vacant Chair Ceremony was memorable as the names of the 18 Australians killed were read out and corresponding candles snuffed. They were so young. The Veterans' Lodge presented Marcie and Roni with awards for their work in Vietnam. The girls were thrilled and honoured to be a part of this important occasion. Roni was guest speaker and Marcie sang Daddy and Lonely Hero. Thank you also to Murray Robertson of The Fabulous Thunderbirds for all his ongoing support.

Get involved!

Already 2014 has been an exceptionally busy and successful year for us and we find we now need a couple of extra people to help out. If you have a little extra time on your hands, have some administrative skills and would enjoy the thrill of improving the lives of children in Orphanages in Viet Nam, we could use your help. We hold only one major fundraiser per year and meet semi-regularly. If you would like to be involved with this group of incredible people and be a part of what we do, please contact our committee by email: roni@wildeboer.id.au

Our Fabulous Committee :

Ros Bradbury, Vice President

Adrian Plowman, Treasurer

Marcie Jones, Committee and Patron

Marnie Tole, Secretary

Roni Wildeboer, Founder and President

“All children are a blessing, not all children are blessed.”

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Our VP Ros Bradbury making one child very happy :o)