

## Press Release:

- "Small Moments of Beauty and Truth" Art Exhibition
- Supporting "Gaza Children Cinema"
- Waterfront Pavilion, Mawson's Place, Hobart Tasmania 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018,

### **General Notes:**

- Hobart Artist Richard Skinner, has organised an exhibition called "*Small Moments of Beauty and Truth*", in Hobart Tasmania 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018
- Images include original pieces by local artists, as well as many confronting and beautiful images from children from Gaza
- it is in support of '*Gaza Children's Cinema*' an organization that organises and shows movies, to Palestinian Children, living in the besieged Gaza Strip, to add some wonder and joy to their lives
- In 2017 Gaza Children Cinema organised 160 movie screenings in Gaza
- Art donated for the fundraising Auction to be held on Friday 21/9/2018, include prominent artists Di Allison, Paul Bailey, Irene Briant, Dean Chatwin, Belinda Hall, Patrick Hall, Julia Gough, Pete Maarseveen and Julie Monro-Alison
- The show will be opened by Senator Lisa Singh
- An opportunity for local children to engage and contribute, will be available with a Children's Art Program on Saturday 22/9/2018 between 9 am till 2 pm.

### **Current Events and Context:**

- The Gaza Strip has been blockaded by Israel for over a decade.
- There are approximately 1.9 million residents, of which nearly half are below the age of 14
- There are no physical cinemas in Gaza
- The Said Al-Mishal Cultural Centre in Gaza where Gaza Children's Cinema had previously shown movies was completely destroyed by Israel Rockets on 9/8/2018
- In August 2018, The Trump administration cut more than \$200 million dollars in aid to Gaza

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