



ART GALLERY OF
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

NEO – NURTURING A LIFELONG APPRECIATION OF ART

» Over the past six years the Art Gallery of South Australia, in partnership with the Balnaves Foundation, has built a children's program that has had an extraordinary impact on the makeup and number of Gallery visitors.

From this year, they will deliver a new program for teens, called Neo. Neo is a dynamic long-term strategy to engage 13 to 17-year-olds. It will be diverse, socially engaged and informal.

Held six times a year, the events will coincide with the Gallery's burgeoning First Fridays program. Young audiences will have their own designated social space, which will be enlivened with music, film screenings and conversations with and about artists. Young artists and thinkers will be there to lead and inspire through peer-led learning.

The launch of Neo, on the first Friday in March, will align with the 2016 Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art, whose theme of magic creates an intriguing starting point



for the program. The work of Japanese-born Australian artist Hiromi Tango will inspire the event. Tango's installation for the Adelaide Biennial will transform the entrance to the exhibition, creating a sensory encounter that includes sculpture, photography and moving image. This will set the scene for Neo's art-making workshops, facilitated by Adelaide artist Celeste Aldahn.

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CELESTE ALDAH

» ADELAIDE ARTIST AND INAUGURAL
NEO ARTIST AMBASSADOR

"I love the Art Gallery because it is a magical place with lots of surprises. The mix of historic and contemporary art on display is also a constant source of inspiration."