

# Art from the Margins Official Opening Brisbane Festival Exhibition Brisbane Institute of Art, 41 Grafton Street, Windsor Friday 13 September 2013, 6pm

## The Hon Paul de Jersey AC Chief Justice

As Patron of Art from the Margins, I am absolutely delighted we are participating in this way in the Brisbane Festival of Arts: enriching the achievement of our artists – extending the reach of the Festival.

It is my honour now to announce the six major prize winners. They have been selected by Mr John Armstrong, Principal, Harbinger Consultants and Committee Member of Art from the Margins; Ms Rebekah Butler, Executive Director Museum & Gallery Services Queensland; and Mr Peter Shaw, Director, Brisbane Institute of Art. We are most indebted to the judges. This is the fourth time they have engaged in this exercise for AFTM. It has involved viewing hundreds of artworks, paintings, photographs, drawings and installations. Thank you judges.

The awards will be presented next Thursday at the Artist Celebration night at Albert Street Uniting Church. There are many celebrations at AFTM!

The major prize winners, whom we warmly congratulate, are:

- Cornerstone Press Award AFTM Communication Partner
   Htoo Htoo Han Irrawaddy
- 5. Staffing Options Award AFTM Communication Partner
  Peter Rowe Faces I See in the Night

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#### 4. Andrew's Light Up Award – AFTM Platinum corporate partner

Damien Le Ray - Kintore Street School

#### 3. PBS Building Award – AFTM Platinum corporate partner

Colleen Stevenson – Testament

### 2. Fulton Trotter Architects Award – AFTM Foundation corporate partner

Catherine Chui - Habitation 2030 D1

#### 1. Wesley Mission Brisbane Award

Michael Tichowitsch - Family Walking

Would you join me, ladies and gentlemen, in congratulating not only the winners, but all of the artists who participated in the competition?