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MEDIA RELEASE

NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR RANSW.

At the Regional Arts AGM last Wednesday three new members were appointed to the board, Julie Briggs from Wagga Wagga, Sandra McMahon from Tamworth and Paul Scott-Williams from Goulburn. They bring a broad range of skills and experience to the board with art form expertise, commercial, non-profit and legal experience together with administration and educational qualifications.

The Chair, Peter White thanked outgoing directors, Lindy Hume and Lani Houston, who had completed their three terms. "Lindy and Lani have made an enormous contribution to the board of RANSW during their terms, contributing to lively discussions and providing advice from their sectors. Lindy's passion for regional arts is well known and it has been an amazing opportunity to have her as a champion for this organisation, especially when she is in such demand as an artistic director. She even found time in the past six years to serve as chair of this organisation, a job that I can attest to, takes a large chunk of time. Lani has brought a regional business focus to the conversation and I would like to acknowledge the number of years that she chaired the Regional Arts Fund assessment panel."

Peter presented Lindy and Lani each with a painting commissioned from RANSW Aboriginal Arts Development Officer, Anthony Walker, in recognition of their contribution.

He also acknowledged the contribution of former director, Jennifer Turner, who resigned late last year to relocate to Melbourne. Jennifer served as Treasurer throughout her five years on the board. David Dwyer was appointed to this role, while Stephen Champion was re-appointed Deputy – Chair.

On welcoming the new board members, Peter congratulated them on their appointment at an exciting time for Regional Arts NSW as the organisation counts down to the delivery of ARTLANDS Dubbo in October this year.

RANSW 2016 Board.

Peter White (Chair)
Stephen Champion (Deputy Chair)
David Dwyer (Treasurer)
Stephen Bradley
Julie Briggs
Sandra McMahon
Naomi Messenger
Ben Roche
Paul Scott-Williams

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