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Submission:

I endorse many of the submissions especially those which recognise the importance of Museums, Historical Societies, Indigenous Heritage, Regional needs etc.

I am disappointed that Libraries are not represented as their work underpins all of the issues of the key themes, a strong and informed culture; community involvement and empowering young and old.

I agree that the policy needs to empower everyone, not just the young.

The need for adequate infrastructure is critical especially for organisations such as Libraries and Museums which struggle to obtain funding for buildings to house their resources.

I agree that the Australia Council funding model may now be outdated and its funds should be provided locally where there is more knowledge of demand.

I agree that amateur artists and volunteers are fulfilling an important role in engaging the community and need to be recognised and supported.