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## *A Continuum* of talent: Grads showcase their art

The UTAS Tasmanian School of Art is holding its annual graduation exhibition, which showcases the art works of its final year graduating students.

*Continuum* features the work of students from a wide variety of studios and mediums.

Over the past decade the exhibition has become a highlight of the visual arts calendar and an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the state's emerging creative talents.

This year there are around 80 graduating students with a catalogue designed by the School of Arts' Visual Communication students accompanying the exhibition.

Head of the School of Art, Professor Noel Frankham, extended his congratulations to the final year students.

"A Fine Arts degree can be an intensive process but it is a highly rewarding one.

"A general change in workforce demand from good workers to creative thinkers, has opened up numerous opportunities for art school graduates, many within fields of employment that didn't exist until the digital information revolution.

"Our graduates are well prepared for the fast-developing Creative and Information Economies," Prof Frankham said.

"In Tasmania we have a thriving artistic community and I look forward to seeing what our graduates achieve in the future. In a year in which the work of internationally acclaimed artists on show at MONA has been the focus of our attention, it will be good to see what our emerging artists are working on locally."

**Official opening:** *Continuum* will be officially opened by the Honourable Lara Giddings, Premier of Tasmania on 4th Nov 2011 at 5:30pm- 8:30pm at the UTAS Tasmanian School of Art, Hunter Street, Hobart.

The exhibition will be open to the public Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 November.  
Open 10am – 4pm.

**To arrange an interview with Prof Frankham, please contact UTAS Communications and Media Office (details below). Please note Prof Frankham is available after 12pm.**

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