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Emmy winner supports "5 in a Row" Binge Drinking campaign

Beyond Empathy has announced that award winning Director Jonathan Stack will spearhead the '5 in a Row' project running from September 2010 to June 2011.

'5 in a Row' will be delivered across the Armidale Dumaresq Local Government Area focusing on producing short films through a series of arts-led workshops, directed by Jonathan Stack in co-ordination with five other local film-makers. The outcomes of the groups will be showcased at the '5 in a Row' Film Festival in June 2011.

Following the success of last year's "Message in a Bottle", Beyond Empathy identified the need for hard-media campaigns aimed at highlighting to teenagers the dangers of binge drinking. The '5 in a Row' project will focus on intervention by bringing the voice of young people to the community through digital media.

Several of Armidale's schools have offered their support to the project and they will play an integral role in the facilitation of the workshops over the next six months.

Jonathan Stack is a two-time Academy Award nominee, Sundance Grand Jury Prize winner

and founder of Gabriel Films, which has gone on to produce over fifty films and television programs seen throughout the world. "We are excited and fortunate to have a film-maker of Jonathan's expertise and experience onboard. Lending his support is such a huge incentive for kids to get involved but what a great opportunity for them to test their film-making talents under his guidance. This is also a rare and unique opportunity for local Armidale artists to work under the guidance of such an experienced and revered artist," says Kim McConville, Beyond Empathy's Executive Director.

Expressions of interest are invited from local film-makers wishing to participate in the '5 in a Row' project. Positions are paid and will run from October 2010.

Artists will be required to submit CV and letter of interest to the email address listed below and confirmation of ability to commit for one day per week for the next 30 weeks.

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