



# Wauchope Community Arts Council

## About us

**W**auchope and surrounding hamlets were home to many creatives who relocated from the cities during the eighties.

Writers, actors, visual artists and musicians instigated a number of arts and cultural activities that transformed the community. In 1995 we formed Wauchope Community Arts Council under the umbrella of Arts NSW.

*Our motto, "Arts from the Heart" is a fitting description of what we do.*

We are committed to community cultural development, enrichment, support and collaboration.

*We are a passionate group of volunteers*, most of our committee members have day jobs as teachers, nurses, business owners, disability workers, and artists or are active retirees.

*We happily volunteer because it enhances our lives*, and provides a better, more vibrant local environment and the opportunity for enriching experiences for the Wauchope community and beyond.

*Since 1997 we have managed the Wauchope Community Arts Centre for Port Macquarie Hastings Council*, providing an accessible and affordable cultural centre for Wauchope and beyond and a meeting place for local groups.

*Our venue is renowned as one of the "best live music experiences on the coast"* and attracts musicians and performances of extraordinary quality and audiences from all over the mid north coast.

*We find ways to create opportunities and bring more people to Wauchope* - by collaborating with like-minded people we have established an exciting cultural program which brings an amazing array of national and international artists to Wauchope.

*We also provide opportunities for local musicians, auspice fledgling groups and showcase the work of local artists* and performers, as well as occasionally screening art house films and documentaries.

*The Arts Hall is used for* yoga, choir, home-schooling and creative workshops.

*Membership is open to anyone 18 years+*. Members receive discounted ticket prices.

*Other stakeholders* – in addition to the hundreds of local people who regularly attend our events, we support local business wherever possible, these include M & S Offset printers, Holiday Coast Credit Union, Bago Wines, Baba Lila Chocolates and Wauchope IGA.

