



LIVE PERFORMANCE

MUSIC & DRAMA

MULTIMEDIA

INTERACTIVE ARTS

The Choir of Hope & Inspiration

Awakenings has the fantastic opportunity of presenting The Choir of Hope & Inspiration on a regional tour of Victoria. The Choir has recently changed their name from the Choir of Hard Knocks as seen in the ABC TV series. The Choir is about courage, hope, pride and finding a sense of purpose and self worth through music and art. These are values shared with the Awakenings Festival. Dr Jonathan Welch AM the founding musical director is a role model for all of the people, all over Australia who create all ability art to bring to Awakenings.

Popcorn Denmark

International guests to the Festival POPCORN will brace us with there original and exciting music after large scale tours in Europe, Russia and Japan. Singing everything from classic covers, rock and bosa nova. Popcorn are made up of 3 musicians and vocalist with mental health issues.

Festivals Australia grant successful

The For Your Information Forum theatre project has been successful in its Festivals Australia application sponsorship from the Federal Government Water, Heritage, Environment and the Arts. The Wimmera will have a local ensemble of mixed abilities creating a local work. The form used will be Forum theatre based on Augusto Boal's famous and liberating Theatre of the Oppressed. Local theatre maker, with an international career, Anna Loewendahl will be artistic director and the group will be mentored by Shahin Shafaei from Victoria College of the Arts.

The ensemble will train Saturday mornings in August in September. If you are interested in being involved called Fiona or Jacinda at the Awakenings Office.

Tourism Victoria confirms their sponsorship of the Awakenings 2009 Festival as acknowledged by the Minister for Tourism and Major Events Mr. Tim Holding MP.

Registration Forms 2009 - Get ready they are coming!