

FOR CREATIVE FEMINISM

AN ARTS AWARD

Vee Malnar is an accomplished songwriter, playwright, musician and painter, who also runs a before-and-after-school program for children from her local community.

In 2006 Vee established the Sydney MAMAPALOOZA ARTS FESTIVAL, based on a New York model. It celebrates, promotes, encourages, inspires and critiques mothering through the performing and visual arts. It makes an important contribution to the growth of maternal feminism in the arts community, building solidarity among women artists, some of whom have felt marginalised by motherhood. In 2014 it was launched by mother and Member of Parliament, Tanya Plibersek.

MAMAPALOOZA usually includes an art exhibition at the Sydney Tap Gallery focusing on domestic scenes, as well as a writers' forum, discussions, and a night of comedians and musicians.

Through her work with the MAMAPALOOZA ARTS FESTIVAL, Vee Malnar provides an important platform for women to explore feminist issues and share their experiences with others.



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