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Support announced for NT regional museums

Funding of \$200,000 has been awarded to nine regional museums, galleries and cultural centres around the Northern Territory (NT) as part of the 2024 Regional Museums Grant Program.

The program supports the preservation, conservation and display of significant historical cultural material in the NT through grants of up to \$50,000 per project.

Funding is provided by the Northern Territory Government and administered by the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT).

Over the next year, the successful recipients will develop new exhibitions, preserve historic uniforms, undertake conservation of critically important watercolour paintings, install new collection storage and offer training and development for remote staff.

MAGNT Director Adam Worrall says the sector support offered through this program could not be more important.

“The NT is home to some the most unique and remote art, history and cultural collections in the world,” he said. “These projects will see these protected, documented and made accessible for local and visiting audiences.”

A highly competitive round, the projects were selected by an independent panel from a total pool of applications worth \$577,789.33.

Recipients

Recipient	Museum/Gallery/Cultural Centre	Project	Funding
Aviation Historical Society of the NT Inc	Darwin Aviation Museum	<i>Progressive artefact cataloguing</i>	\$20,450.00
Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation	Djomi Museum	<i>Djomi Museum Collection Care and Conservation</i>	\$30,500.00
Central Australian Aviation Museum Inc	Central Australian Aviation Museum	<i>Archival Storage and Historical Milestones Timeline (Preserve and Share)</i>	\$16,540.00
Charles Darwin University	Nursing Museum	<i>Textile Conservation</i>	\$6,000.00
Chung Wah Society Incorporated	NT Chinese Museum	<i>Museum Refurbishment</i>	\$7,810.00
FRM Services Limited	Hermannsburg Historic Precinct	<i>Conservation of 55 Hermannsburg watercolour paintings from the Hermannsburg Historic Precinct (HSS) art collection at Ntaria and Scoping study to assess the significance of a collection of approximately 800 portable objects relating to indigenous and non-</i>	\$35,000.00

		<i>Indigenous social history at the Hermannsburg Historic Precinct, Ntaria.</i>	
Jilamara Arts and Crafts Association	Muluwurri Museum	<i>Wurrungura: museum media centre and digital archive</i>	\$40,000.00
The Historical Society of Katherine Inc	Katherine Museum	<i>Upgrade of Storage Facilities</i>	\$23,700.00
Victoria Daly Regional Council	Timber Creek Museum	<i>Restoring Heritage: Timber Creek Police Museum Flood Recovery Project</i>	\$20,000.00

About the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is the Northern Territory's premier cultural and scientific institution. It offers a dynamic and diverse arts, science and cultural program to more than 300,000 visitors each year. MAGNT operates seven venues on Larrakia Country (Darwin) and Arrernte Country (Alice Springs), and is set to open its eighth venue, the Northern Territory Art Gallery, in Darwin's CBD in 2026. MAGNT is known for its collections and expertise in Aboriginal cultures, natural sciences, histories and arts across northern and central Australia and our neighbours to the north. It is also the home of the annual Telstra NATSIAA – the most significant Indigenous and richest art award of its kind in Australia.

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