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## SWELL SCULPTURE CALL FOR ENTRIES 2008

***Swell Sculpture Festival*** is calling for entries for the sixth annual, outdoor visual arts exhibition held along Queensland's Currumbin Beach ocean walkway. The exhibition is from the 12th - 21st September 2008. **Applications are now open until April 1st 2008.**

The outdoor exhibition of 50 sculptures is free to the public. Visitors embrace the grandeur of the exhibition amongst the natural coastal setting and revel in the experience of interaction and wonder as artists present large durable artworks specifically built for the outdoor environment.

The growth of the exhibition since its beginnings in 2003 places Swell Sculpture at the forefront of the Queensland cultural calendar. The exhibition attracts 200,000 visitors over 10 days. Director Ruth Della says, "Swell Sculpture provides artists with full freedom of expression for all forms of sculpture and an opportunity to exhibit their artworks in an open and natural atmosphere. The prospect for artists to see their work come to fruition as it integrates into the seascape is an opportunity not to miss."

The 2008 program has been extended to include a Public Art Symposium and an Artist in Residency Program. Other highlights include:

- Acquisition and Awards up to \$30,000
- Sculpture Sales
- Swell Smalls Gallery
- Guided Twilight Walks
- Children's Sculpture Workshops
- Music Stage

The Gold Coast City Council's continued support of the \$20,000 acquisition award ensures that the purchased artwork will be permanently installed in the division 14 precinct proceeding the exhibition. The permanent sculpture trail was launched in 2004 and continues to grow with each year's success.

Applications can be downloaded at [www.swellsculpture.com.au](http://www.swellsculpture.com.au). Enquiries can be made to [info@swellsculpture.com.au](mailto:info@swellsculpture.com.au) or telephone +61 7 5598 6004.