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MEDIA RELEASE

Outback Artist defies all odds

Overcoming a personal battle against cancer, extreme drought and devastating floods over the past 12 months, contemporary landscape artist and mother of five Annabel Tully has triumphed in bringing her 8th solo exhibition to Brisbane this March.

This extraordinary achievement is compounded by the additional time Tully has invested in her inspiring Bunginderry Artists Camp, her coordination of the 'Queensland Touring Exhibition' for fellow artists, her sell-out 2010 exhibition as well as leading her own community with public arts projects. Developing a love of country while growing up in Brisbane's western suburb of Brookfield, Tully has explored deeply the layers of her Channel Country homeland and demonstrates her deep connection with all things natural.

Using raw ochre sourced mostly from her home property 'Bunginderry Station', Tully captures the splendour and spirituality of the land around her. Approximately 50 raw ochre paintings and spontaneous drawings on acrylic or oil media will be featured in her Exhibition '*Orgy of Life*'.

The exhibition to be held at Graydon Gallery is a new series of works celebrating life after devastation for both Annabel personally and her homeland.

Reflecting on the past 12 months, Ms Tully says "After times of devastation and grief, nature finds ways to rejuvenate....look ever so carefully and you'll see there is an *Orgy of Life* dancing around you, inviting you to join in".

Recognised now as a high achiever and inspiration to friends and colleagues as well as the business community, award-winning Tully is now outreaching globally with her works being featured in many countries around the world.

Her 2011 exhibition will be officially opened on Friday 11th March however is open to all members of the public from 9 – 20 March. Works can be previewed and purchased on-line prior to the exhibition. Proceeds from three nominated paintings will be donated to the Mater Hospital's 'Chicks in Pink', Legacy and the McIntyre Centre.

For more information on the media coverage and works of Annabel Tully visit www.annabeltully.com.

This event is proudly supported by Angove Family Wines, Bentleys Camera House, Glades GEI, Out of Australia, Thynne & Macartney and Vine Café Restaurant.

Who: Annabel Tully

What: 'Orgy of Life' Exhibition

Where: Graydon Gallery, 29 Merthyr Road, New Farm

When: 9-20 March 2011

Not to miss: Grand Opening Friday 11 March 6-8pm.

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