



Heritage Skills Initiative

Promoting yesterdays' skills for tomorrow.

Project Outcomes

The Heritage Skills Initiative project was undertaken by the International Specialised Skills Institute (2017-2019) with generous funding from the Ian Potter Foundation. The project aimed to support, promote and maintain the use of heritage skills in Australia for the conservation of our heritage and the future of our workforce.

The following is a list of key project outcomes;

- Creation of a strong steering group that engage in discussion and foster opportunities for **collaboration between key organisations**.
- **Consultation** with 175 individual stakeholders
- Engaged 327 students in practical and theoretical **learning exchanges** with 42 artisans
- Development and implementation of a national **Advocacy Strategy** that targeted Government officials and education providers.
- Facilitation of a **sector analysis survey** with over 100 respondents.
- Development of a **community of stakeholders** through a database that represents 150 of these stakeholders who engage in project activities.
- Delivery of 2 public **Illuminate Series** events around the topic of heritage skills engaging 13 key speakers and over 200 attendees.
- Presented around the project and **key themes** to students, educators, professionals and Government at 11 events.
- Development of original and engaging media to **promote the issues to the public**
- Facilitated **professional development** opportunities for 100 artisans

ISSI is committed to maintaining its role as a leader in this sector by supporting the initiatives of its steering group and wider community, as well as through the ISSI Fellowship program. Many thanks to all who contributed to the realisation of the Heritage Skills Initiative project; we are proud of the outcomes and will foster the knowledge we have developed to grow our organisational capacity in this area.

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