

## Helping People Achieve

HPA will assist people with disabilities to create a fulfilling everyday life and achieve their full potential. We are a committed and innovative employer and through the successful operation of the core businesses, HPA will provide opportunity for the development of its greatest asset, its people.

HPA Helping People Achieve is a non-government, not for profit organisation that provides supported employment and accommodation options for people aged 16 and above, with intellectual, mental or physical disabilities.

Founded in 1963 by the late Harold Garner, HPA was established to provide educational services for people with disabilities, and later branched out to provide sheltered employment in 1968 and accommodation in 1985.

Operating in Darwin, Palmerston and the surrounding rural areas, HPA is the sole provider of supported employment services in these locations.

The company consists of three major business arms including Kokoda Industries, AusdesignsTM and Darwin Accommodation Services and supports approximately 68 people in employment and up to 40 across three models of supported accommodation, transition units and community based outreach services.



## Tactile Arts contemporary craft studios and gallery & Museum and Art Gallery NT

Tactile Arts is a member based, not-for-profit community arts organisation that actively supports and promotes artists and craftspeople from Darwin and the top end of the Northern Territory. Operating since 1975, Tactile Arts is one of Darwin's longest established arts organisations, providing on-going support for emerging and established artists and craftspeople. A ceramics installation is currently being exhibited, delegates will have the opportunity to talk with one of the artists and have a guided tour.

As Tactile Arts is located on the grounds of the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT (MAGNT) delegates will then have the opportunity to walk over to the NT's premier cultural organisation and have free time to wander around the Museum.

Each year MAGNT presents a dynamic program of internally-developed exhibitions, carefully curated from the collection, and the best travelling exhibitions from around Australia.

It is also the home of the annual Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA)- the most significant celebration of its kind in Australia, this exhibition is currently on and showcasing the very best Australian Indigenous art from around the country.

Other popular exhibitions that may be of interest are; Between the Moon and the Stars- where Science and art come together to reveal the influence of the stars, the Moon and its phases, the cyclone Tracey or see MAGNT's most famous resident, "Sweetheart the crocodile".

# Conference on the move

