Cultural Resource Mapping is a process for identifying and recording a community's cultural assets and resources so that they can be better managed and promoted. From a Local Government and cultural planning perspective, resource mapping is the first step in effective place-based planning.

Through consultation with community members and representatives of cultural organisations six cultural resource categories were identified as highly valuable to our community as well a crucial to the sustainability and cultural vitality of the sector. Individually and collectively these six strategic components or themes, represent and express our unique cultural identity and values. By using these six components as a starting point we were then able to broaden the scope of the mapping framework to include a deeper layer of activity.

By defining all of the various sub-sectors within this thematic framework we begin to get a picture of the absolute breadth and depth of the region's vibrant arts and cultural scene.

### Cultural Facilities and Spaces
- Arts Centres
- Libraries & Archives
- Interpretive Centres
- Theatres
- Performing Arts Facilities
- Museums
- Art Galleries
- Artist Run Initiatives
- Arts Training Facilities
- Public Spaces
- Production Spaces

### Cultural Organisations
- Arts Ed., Elementary, Secondary, Tertiary and Informal Community Arts Groups
- Historical and Genealogical Societies
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Organisations
- Multi-cultural Organisations
- Artists Run Initiatives
- Performing Arts Groups
- Visual Arts groups
- Writing groups
- Choir/singing groups

### Cultural Industries
- Film/Video/Sound Recording
- Publishing Industries
- Art Dealers
- Theatre companies
- Museums and Art Galleries
- Radio, Print Media and Television Broadcasting
- Libraries and Archives
- Architecture
- Interactive Digital Media
- Dance Companies
- Live Production

### Cultural Festivals and Events
- Food and Wine Tours
- Film Festivals
- Multicultural Festivals
- Performing Arts Festivals
- Gallery and Studio Tours
- Public Art Tours
- Cultural Heritage tours
- Artist in Residence Workshops

### Cultural Heritage
- Built Heritage Properties
- Cemeteries
- Heritage Districts

### Natural Heritage
- National Parks
- Botanical Gardens
- Nature Reserves
- Conservation areas
Approximately 850 entries have so far been collated as part of the mapping process. This map identifies approximately 360 resources that have been linked geographically within the region to date.