

Honouring David

David Wolff, NORPA Chair 2014-24

The NORPA board and team express deep gratitude for the service and friendship of David Wolff both personally and to the arts in this region, and in particular, to NORPA. David was a Board member since 2011 and Chairperson for the past 10 years and his contribution is immense and his legacy significant.

Through the years, David held the helm steady of our small but significant organisation and steered us firmly into one of the most respected and key theatre companies in Australia, recognised both nationally and regionally. Through the highs of increased funding from State and National bodies, recruitment coups, developing new strategic plans, he celebrated the wins with us, and he stood shoulder to shoulder with us to fight when we needed to. This is not to be underestimated.

The role of Chairperson of a not-for-profit arts organisation is truly a labour of love and his love was immense. For we, his fellow Board members and staff, his leadership was exceptional. He did it with generosity, skill and grace.

He was passionate about ensuring NORPA enabled artists to fulfil their potential and to perform; and particularly passionate about our role in telling First Nation stories. David is sorely missed by us all, but over the next decades as NORPA grows from strength to strength, as we and others come and go, our community shall never lose sight of David's contribution. He has left a great legacy.

His presence will be felt for many years to come, and our love and respect for him will never fade. We acknowledge and thank his family Sharne, Tom, Susie and Georgia.

We know David would love WILDSKIN.

