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MEDIA RELEASE

Ten Days on the Island presents

JUNK THEORY

Tasmania

“The little boat with big ideas.” Sydney Morning Herald

Join us at dusk on **Friday 27 March** at **Constitution Dock** in the heart of Hobart for a **free festival opening night** to remember. An exotic and beautiful Chinese junk, the *Suzy Wong*, will drift along the Derwent River and then around the island as part of Tasmanian arts company Big *hART*'s **Junk Theory**.

Junk Theory takes the form of a floating hybrid media installation on a 37-foot traditional Chinese junk featuring moving and still imagery created to evoke the iconic beachside suburb of Sydney's Cronulla in all its ugliness and beauty. Films, portraits, messages, maps and animations are projected onto the boat's sails and ambient sounds and musical compositions will waft off the deck as **Junk Theory** travels to various locations around Tasmania. After its stop at Constitution Dock, this free floating event will cruise the Derwent River visiting Brighton, Osborne Esplanade at Kingston Beach, Ferry Point at Old Beach, Huonville's The Esplanade and Bellerive Boardwalk before being launched on the Tamar River to visit Seaport in Launceston, Windmill Point in Georgetown and Rose Bay Park Gravelly Beach over the final weekend of the festival.

Junk Theory was first developed to create positive media at the time of the one year anniversary of the "Cronulla riots". Throughout 2006, participants and artists from 22 cultural backgrounds came together to create a highly visible project, to reinforce positive dialogue and social harmony and promote a positive image of the communities in the Sutherland Shire area of Sydney. Photographers, filmmakers, composers, shipwrights, seafarers and local business all came together to create this evocative and moving installation that premiered at the Sydney Festival and has since been seen at Adelaide Bank Festival of the Arts.

Wherever it goes throughout Ten Days on the Island, **Junk Theory** will not only be a beautiful sight to behold and a poignant comment on issues of community in Australia, but it will also offer local communities a chance to join in activities inspired by this event. Visit www.tendaysontheisland.com.au during the Festival for a full schedule of activities.

Big *hART*'s travelling immersive outdoor roadshow *Drive in Holiday* was a huge success in 2007's Ten Days on the Island and this latest creation, **Junk Theory**, is not to be missed.

Supported by Brighton Council. Sponsored by Telstra and Toll Shipping

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FREE EVENT

HOBART: Constitution Dock, Davey Street
DATE: 27 March at 9pm

KINGSTON BEACH: Osborne Esplanade
DATE: 28 March from dusk

OLD BEACH: Ferry Point, Jetty Road
DATE: 29 March from dusk

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HUONVILLE: The Esplanade
DATE: 30 March from dusk

BELLERIVE: Bellerive Boardwalk
DATE: 31 March from dusk

GRAVELLY BEACH: Rose Bay Park
DATE: 2 April from dusk

GEORGE TOWN: Windmill Point
DATE: 3 April from dusk

LAUNCESTON: Seaport
DATE: 4 & 5 April from dusk

PATRONS ADVICE: Arrive from 7.30pm, event concludes approximately 9pm (later in Hobart)

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