



Welcome everyone. This is our 7<sup>th</sup> new directions art auction to raise funds for the Australian Prostate Center.

This event is happening because of the generosity and support of many people....  
I would like to thank Kate Hatton. Without her organization and work ethic and calm we would not be here....

Thank you Judith Gorr for curating these works and supporting me in my search for great and interesting art.

Special thanks to Amanda Swanson, Paul Sumner and Artvisory - who have donated this space and their time and experience. I thank you for making the time to hold this auction here, and thank you Paul, for being our auctioneer, the best auctioneer ever.  
Thanking our sponsors - particularly IAS who have collected, stored and delivered all the artworks for us, without any fuss - incredibly easy to work with.

Thanking DGB Global, who have collated our catalogue.

As always, Mark Chapman for his assistance and for getting things done.  
We have some Galleries who have participated this year, in particular Bill Nuttall from Niagara Galleries, Chapman & Bailey and Vivien Anderson Gallery - who we owe an apology to for misspelling the name in the catalogue. I am sorry Vivien.

Thank you Foxy's Hangout and Splitrock for donating the Sparkling Rose and water.  
Importantly, I want to thank all the artists who have donated their art. Artists are being asked all the time to donate their work for different events - sometimes more than 10 asks a year.... because of this we offer the artist 50% of the selling price of their works. We need to give back to them - it is a hard road they have taken.  
Please bid on these wonderful art pieces and keep bidding. The Australian Prostate Centre is totally self funded.

Last year, a friend of mine, called to say that another friend was blocked and having trouble peeing; he was being treated by a hospital and was given inadequate help – I immediately called him and insisted that he phone Professor Tony Costello and get himself looked after by the Dr's at the Centre. It was quickly arranged and surgery booked and he is here to share some of that experience. Also, we will hear from Dr Fairleigh Reeves and Dr Phil Dundee re their aims and processes at APC.

Every year we pick something specific that the Centre is in need of and Dr Dundee will tell you what we have decided YOUR money will provide for the centre.

Thank you again, it is stunning that so many people are here tonight to give their support for the Australian Prostate Centre - which if any of you, or your family or friends are in need of please do not hesitate to call myself or Fred or the APC directly. They will be looked after quickly and even if they do not have insurance.