Young, Black and Deadly Art Shines on Kelvin Grove Rd Screen

In 2003, two artists based in Ballarat, Victoria, began a small community art project working with the children of Queensland's Cherbourg State School to encourage a sense of self, pride and community among the town's residents.

Five years on, artists Peter Widmer and Geoff Bonney, collectively Ratartat, have put together an exhibition honouring the work produced by the kids throughout the project.

The vibrant and engaging works include paintings, sculptures, collages and murals will be on display to the public in a free exhibition opening 7 August and continuing on until 20 September.

A 45m x 9m billboard fronting the Kelvin Grove Road arterial accompanies the exhibition.

The striking billboard image (seen above) is a compilation of children's paintings which appear on the terracing logs surrounding the school oval in Cherbourg, representing each of the 50 tribes that make up the Cherbourg community, along with words that are significant to the students, such as Pride, Respect and Play.

The Billboard will be seen by an estimated 40 000 commuters daily.