



5th Friday @ 4pm Forum

Free Arts Nexus Forum and Networking after work

4.00-6.00pm on Friday 29 April 2005

at Cairns City Library Meeting Room Lake Street Cairns

CAIRNS: Visions of a Creative City

"If Cairns is to be famous as a distinctive place with its own intrinsic cultural value, independent of the reef and rainforest, what needs to be applied to the urban fabric to achieve this sense of place?"

"Would an extra 100,000 people in the CBD allow it to be transformed into an intense, urban, creative, dynamic and beating heart, while still ensuring that the hill-slopes and ecological diversity is retained?"

"Will such local identity and expression attract more 'Creatives', as Richard Florida suggests in his blockbuster book, *The Rise of the Creative Class: How It's Transforming Work, Leisure, Community, and Everyday Life?* Will they in turn become the creative entrepreneurs and economic drivers?"

arts, culture and design to
attract and retain the Creative Class,
presented by internationally
experienced urban planner
and designer Dr Ben Guy

Ben Guy [PhD Urban Design] will tackle these issues for Cairns, outlining his ideas for a dynamic city as a cultural and creative urban core. All welcome. Free Arts Nexus Forum but please register T: 4051 4433 or admin@artsnexus.com.au

