

## PLACE OF REFLECTION DONATION FORM

Tax deductible donations may be made by posting the completed form with your cheque or credit card details to *Place of Reflection Project c/- PO Box 6357 East Perth WA 6892* and a receipt will be forwarded to you.

Yes, I want to make a tax deductible donation to support the *Place of Reflection*.

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### Method of Payment:

Cheque / money order enclosed  
 (made payable to *Healing Hearts Fund*)

Credit Card: Visa / Bankcard / Mastercard (please circle)

Card No:

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Electronic funds transfer to *Healing Hearts Fund*  
 Bank: Westpac BSB: 036 231 Acc No: 154 132  
 Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_.

Please email a copy of your remittance to [gary.redmond@bigpond.com](mailto:gary.redmond@bigpond.com) in order to receive your tax deductible receipt.

- **Association for Services to Torture & Trauma Survivors (ASeTTS)** provides services and support for people who have been tortured or traumatised by violent conflicts, many of whom are refugees who are recent arrivals to Australia.

[www.asetts.org.au](http://www.asetts.org.au)



- **Healing Hearts Foundation**, founded by the Rotary Club of Heirisson, builds connections and offers solace, help and encouragement to families touched by the tragedy of losing a child, and assists in creating symbolic places of hope and encouragement.

[www.healingheartsfoundation.org](http://www.healingheartsfoundation.org)



- **SIDS and Kids WA** is dedicated to saving babies' lives, from pregnancy through childhood and to supporting people affected by the loss of a child. A range of education, loss and grief services are provided throughout Western Australia and support is given for national research to save babies' lives.

[www.sidsandkids.org.au/wa](http://www.sidsandkids.org.au/wa)



- **Soroptimist International of South Perth** became involved in the Consortium because of its project, initiated in 2002, to acknowledge and respond to the trauma experienced when a loved one becomes a missing person.

[www.sisouthperth.org.au](http://www.sisouthperth.org.au)



- **The Compassionate Friends WA** is part of an international self-help peer support organisation supporting families after the death of a child from any cause, at any age. A range of peer support groups operate throughout Western Australia.

[www.compassionatefriendswa.org.au](http://www.compassionatefriendswa.org.au)



# Place of Reflection

KINGS PARK AND BOTANIC GARDEN



*Peace*



*Contemplation*



*Healing*

*within Nature*





## Become Involved. . . . .

Progress on the *Place of Reflection* has been possible because of the vision, funding and support of Lotterywest. From the very early stages of the project, Lotterywest has encouraged and supported the groups, whose mission is to help those dealing with loss and grief, to play an active role in the development of the *Place of Reflection*.

The total capital cost to create this special place is \$1.51 million. While the Consortium has been successful in securing a Lotterywest grant of \$1 million to help establish this special sanctuary in the heart of our city, there is still a significant amount of funding that needs to be raised for the project to proceed to completion. The facility is planned to be completed in late 2010.

In recognising the challenge of raising the funds required, the Consortium is seeking the support of members of the public and local community groups who recognise the benefits that this project will bring to many Western Australians.

Lotterywest's support for this project, through the Friends of Kings Park, was acknowledged by the Premier, the Honourable Colin Barnett, at a moving event in the Perth Town Hall on 29 July 2009. He recognised the long-lasting benefits this unique place will have in providing solace and healing for many in our community, befitting its position in the people's park – Kings Park.

You, too, can be involved in this community project. Your support and donation would be greatly appreciated.

Tax deductible donations can be made by contacting any of the Consortium members or by completing and returning the Donation Form in this brochure.

Further information can be obtained by contacting Gary Redmond on 0417 217 255 or via email [gary.redmond@bigpond.com](mailto:gary.redmond@bigpond.com), or visit our website at [www.placeofreflection.org](http://www.placeofreflection.org) to learn more.

## Imagine. . . . .

- a place within nature with the sun, dramatic skies, poetic shifts of light and shade, the flow of water and breezes, the sounds of birds and the fragrances of the Australian bush;
- a place where you are able to slip simply and quietly from busy, daily life to a tranquil place of reflection that is both transformative and restorative;
- a place where the natural elements link us to the cycle of life.

- for missing persons, the heavy burden of not knowing what has happened to a loved one, with no opportunity for ceremony or closure – or even goodbye;
- the trauma for those who come here as refugees, leaving behind loved ones;
- the grief of Aboriginal communities, especially those hurt by the loss of traditional healing places.

The intent is to create a reflective space of significance for the people of Western Australia which is universally accessible and recognises the needs of a multicultural community.

Since 2005 Consortium members have been working together with a strong sense of shared purpose to create a special place for reflection.

The membership of the Consortium includes:

- Association for Services to Torture & Trauma Survivors (ASeTTS)
- Healing Hearts Foundation
- SIDS and Kids WA
- Soroptimist International of South Perth
- The Compassionate Friends

Research undertaken by the Consortium revealed that throughout the community there is a need for a special place where people can seek solace, take time to reflect, and commemorate absent loved ones within a tranquil environment. The creation of the *Place of Reflection* addresses this need, now and into the future, for all who seek a meaningful place of peace, contemplation and healing.

## Experience. . . . .

- the sense of entering a special place;
- a symbolic walk, alone or in company, along a path others have taken before;
- pausing for reflection or quiet contemplation before gradually entering back into everyday life.

The purpose of the *Place of Reflection* in Kings Park and Botanic Garden is to provide a landmark location where all people who have suffered loss can seek understanding, peace, hope, healing and renewal.

The *Place of Reflection* recognises the extent of loss and grief experienced by so many in our community, each form of loss bringing its own pain. For some, that loss is especially poignant and challenging, for example:

- the immeasurable continuous pain and sorrow following the death of a child;