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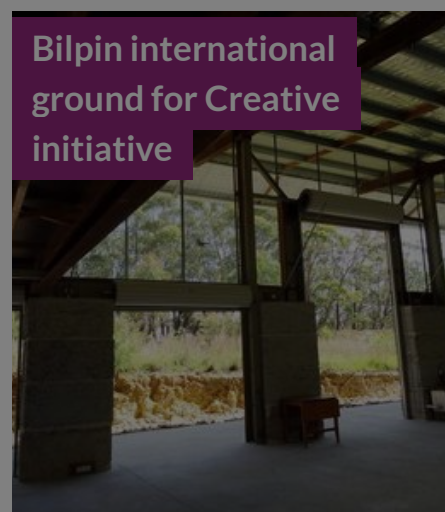
BigCi is an independent, artist run, not-for-profit artist residency program in Bilpin, Australia (near Sydney), focusing on artists' professional development and facilitating their projects. They host artists from Australia and all corners of the world.

BigCi has been established and run by Rae Bolotin, a practicing artist, and Yuri Bolotin, environmentalist and wilderness explorer. They are situated on the edge of Wollemi National Park within the **UNESCO World Heritage-listed Greater Blue Mountains**, one of the world's top biodiversity hotspots. Due to their location and the knowledge base of their team, many of their **resident artists are particularly interested in projects that explore environmental or ecological issues**, although many others use the natural surroundings as a source of creativity for a variety of different artistic pursuits. All residents have opportunities to take part in **bushwalks conducted by Yuri Bolotin**, an experienced mountain guide and author, and to learn first-hand about the unique biodiversity and geodiversity of the area.

Painters, sculptors, multimedia artists, performance artists, writers, musicians, dancers, filmmakers and other creative souls are invited to apply for the residency. Curators, artistic directors, visionaries and ideas people are welcome to propose events, gatherings, exhibitions and other creative initiatives. In addition to the artist residency programme, BigCi is available for events, performances, workshops, installations and exhibitions.

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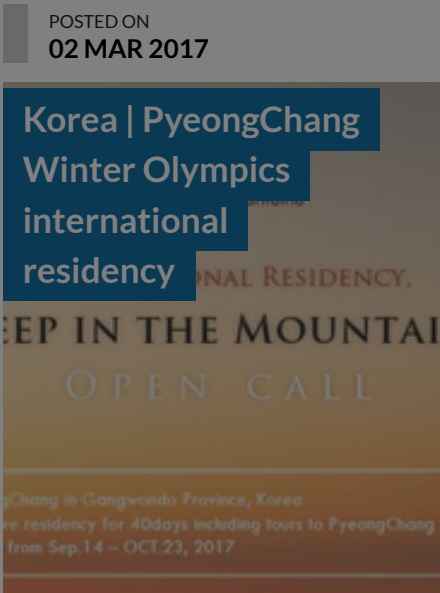


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