

Colour of money

BRISBANE landmarks are getting a dose of graffiti - digital-style. Local firm Base Architecture is "projector bombing" locations around the city, including the Powerhouse, in a bid to get your vote to win the Million Dollar Memo. The Tourism Queensland campaign gives the winner a million dollar dream holiday around the state.

➔ To vote, head to www.milliondollarmemo.com.

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SCAMMERS BUSY



Brisbane businesses are being targeted by internet scammers seeking thousands of dollars. **FULL REPORT BELOW**

MOVING OUT

MORE than 70 per cent of Generation Y have never rented, moving straight from their parent's home to their own home according to a RAMS Home Loans survey.



WAR EXHIBITION

THE Australian War Memorial's latest touring exhibit features the animals of warfare, from mascots to messengers. It's on at the Queensland Museum until August 28.

Foreign scams hit city traders

COUGH UP: FAKE INVOICES ARE COSTING LOCAL BUSINESSES AS THEY MISTAKENLY PAY SCAMMERS

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INTERNATIONAL scammers are targeting Brisbane businesses with bogus invoices charging thousands of dollars to register trademarks or domain names.

Steven Morris, partner at city law firm Walsh Halligan Douglas, said the scams start with a bill sent to the business asking for payment for intellectual property or internet services.

Mr Morris said the scammers were becoming more sophisticated, with official-looking letters that were often linked to functioning websites.

He said up until now, the scammers had been flying under the radar but he had received three queries from clients in just one week this month.

"General managers and managing directors have to be aware that these scams exist," Mr Morris said.

He said businesses could put a few precautions in place.

"Any invoice that a busi-

ness receives in a foreign currency should immediately be flagged," he said.

Office manager at Hippo's Concreting, Robyn Kozina, paid an invoice which asked for a \$249 fee for registering the company's website.

Ms Kozina had been speaking with a web designer about making a change and thought this was the reason for the different bill.

"Then I got another one to do with the trademark for the name hippos concreting.com.au," she said.

"That was for \$1600. It also seemed very official." She checked it with her lawyers who advised her it and the previous invoice were scams.

If concerned, contact your lawyer or check out the Australian Securities and Investment Commission and the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's websites.

➔ If you have been scammed or would like to report a scam you can call SCAMwatch, run by the ACCC, on 1300 795 995



HISTORY OF VIOLINS: Classical trio Maske - Jessica Nichols, Rosanna Sharp and Suzie Gregor - are coming home for the Teneriffe Festival.

Picture: CHRIS MCCORMACK

Maske to face home crowd

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WHEN Maske take to the stage at the Teneriffe Festival on Saturday they'll be playing for their family, friends and the home crowd.

The jet-setting musical trio are away so often performing overseas, the chance for loved ones to witness them in action is rare.

However, this weekend

Jessica Nichols from the Gold Coast and Brisbanites Rosanna Sharp and Suzie Gregory will be playing to their biggest fans.

"We do a lot of private shows and corporate events in Australia so we don't get the opportunity to perform to our local friends," violinist Gregory said.

"This time we can invite people along and give them a bit of a shout out."

Gregory started Maske in 2004 with band manager Rob McHatton, searching for a group that were talented and beautiful.

She soon found violinist Sharp and cellist Nichols, and created a cutting-edge group known for their classical modernised music.

➔ Maske will perform at the Teneriffe Festival on the Jumbuck stage from 2pm this Saturday, July 2

'Bombs' project a \$1M idea on city

TOURISM DUTY: A SMALL COMPANY IS PITCHING TO WIN A BIG COMPETITION

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DIGITAL graffiti will be "sprayed" on Brisbane buildings tonight as part of a local architecture firm's bid to win a million dollar holiday.

Base Architecture is doing what they do best, projecting their drawings on to landmarks to try and secure your vote in the latest Tourism Queensland campaign, Million Dollar Memo.

Winners will get \$1 million worth of Queensland experiences to use in one continuous holiday.

The small firm is up against major companies like Yahoo but director Shawn Godwin said they wanted the people's vote.

He said they went back to their creative roots and decided on "projector bombing" to get their message across.

"It was something that we've seen that has been done overseas and I think it highlights the culture we've got in the office."

Locations the images will be projected on to include the Powerhouse but he said they want to keep other buildings and landmarks a surprise.

If they win the campaign he said they plan to take a two-week state road trip, bringing clients, family and friends along for the ride.

"We're not going to leave a cent in the piggy bank," he said.

➔ The images will be screened from 6-7pm tonight and tomorrow night



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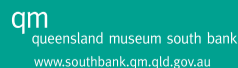
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