

Rethinking value: the essence of time
Bridget Kennedy
10 – 13 October 2018



In 2017, Bridget Kennedy spent a year making 60 vessels to represent the physical version of a year of time (scaled 1:30). This year was spent exchanging those vessels for the same amount of time that they had taken to make. An abundance of goods and services were exchanged, from surfing lessons, gardening help, learning SEO optimisation, to home cooked meals.

This is the exhibition of those exchanges, some still ongoing.

You can read a bit more about the work in this article
kevinmurray.com.au/text/from-tabu-to-blockchain

Feel free to read any of the story tags or uncovered items.
Please handle with care.

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1 Many Hands: A year of exchanges and stories,
2018, card, paper, linen thread, stories

Priceless

2 Currency Basket (73hrs:49minutes)
2018, various textile threads, Philippine Pisos (\$670 AUD)

\$1896.18

The Average
Australian Artists
wage (material
costs incl.)

A currency basket is a financial term for a portfolio of selected currencies with different weightings. Commonly used to minimize the risk of currency inflations, in this case it's a mix of cold currency transactions handwoven into an item of beauty to minimise the risk of future financial hardship.

\$13957 Average Politician's wage plus material costs
\$2692.05 Average Australian wage plus material costs
\$791.80 Average Filipino wage plus material costs

STILL WAITING

3 Unloved (141:4230)

2 hrs 21 mins

2017, Various textile threads

4 A message sent is not a message received (270:8100)

4 hrs 30 mins

2017, Various textile threads

5 Exchange in progress – TBC (297:8910) – 4 hrs 57 mins

NFS

2017, Various textile threads

IN EXCHANGE FOR THINGS

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| 6 | Flower Arrangement
(316:9480) Exchanged with S for cash and 2hrs 16mins of flowers | NFS |
| 7 | Veggie Food
(405:12150) Exchanged with M for 6 hours 45 minutes of cooking | NFS |
| 8 | Flax Waste Paper Basket
(399:11970) Exchanged with C from Instagram for 6hrs 39mins of basket making | NFS |
| 9 | Woven Basket
(716:21480) Exchanged with M for 11hrs 56mins of basket making | NFS |
| 10 | Felted Object
(197:5910) Exchanged with A for 3hrs 17mins of felting | NFS |
| 11 | Woven Basket
(234:7020) Exchanged with L for 3hrs 54mins of basket making | NFS |
| 12 | Small Woven Basket
(76:2280) Exchanged with V from Instagram for 1hr 16mins of basket making | NFS |
| 13 | Notes and Cheque
(143:4290 and 275:8250) Exchanged with D, for 6hrs 58mins of food cooked for an opening, donation to Ozharvest and cheque for the value of time | NFS |
| 14 | A Letter about time, sent from Germany
(484:14430) Exchanged with S for 8hrs and 4 minutes writing about time. S also helped me in the studio making some 'key rings' | NFS |
| 15 | A Pair of Shoes
(207:6210) Exchanged with W for 3hrs 27 mins of lessons in how to make shoes | NFS |
| 16 | A stitched Linen Napkin
(263:7890) Exchanged with L for 4hrs 23 mins of stitching onto antique linen | NFS |
| 17 | A Basket woven from packing tape
(193:5790) Exchanged with L from Instagram for 3hrs 40 mins of basket making | NFS |
| 18 | 2 CDs and a night of singing
(491:14730) Exchanged with L for 8hrs 11mins of singing for the 'OzHarvest Sing and Soul' charity event (music playing in gallery) | NFS |
| 19 | A painting
(450:13500) Exchanged with B for 7hrs 30 mins of painting | NFS |
| 20 | An Interview and a Video
(97:2910) Exchanged with P for 1hr 37 mins of interview questions and (506:15180) with K for 8hrs 26mins of time editing | NFS |
| 21 | Making Time Manifest
(827:24810) Exchanged with T for 13 hours 47 minutes. Instead she exchanged 827 brand new shiny words instead of time | NFS |