Sydney illustrator’s mural a tribute to 70th Anniversary of Darwin Bombing

Fast becoming known across Sydney for his mural art creations, Alex Lehours’ latest design has just been unveiled in Darwin, Northern Territory. This recent project does much to dispel the theory that younger generations aren’t aware or interested in Australia’s wartime history. Commissioned by the Darwin Port Corporation, the 3 metre by 6 metre mural remembers the 70th anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin, paying special tribute to all waterside workers and seafarers who lost their lives at Stokes Hill Wharf, then known as Town Wharf, on 19 February 1942. Alex said: “It was a great honour to be invited to work on this special project. Through my contribution I hope that this event is never forgotten. The mural is a respectful tribute to those who lost their lives and one which will help communicate the events of that day, especially to younger Australians.” The mural, which was produced by the Darwin-based creative team of Associated Advertising & Promotions and Barry Shackleton in collaboration with Alex, is now a permanent fixture at Stokes Hill Wharf. -Ends-

Photos attached: Darwin Mural: The mural commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin. Darwin Mural Alex: Sydney-based designer Alex Lehours in front of the mural About Town Wharf/Stokes Hill Wharf Between 1903 and 1942, Town Wharf was Darwin’s only wharf and handled all cargo and passengers. On 19th February 1942, the Japanese bombed Darwin, with the wharf bearing the full force of the invasion. Re-named Stokes Hill Wharf, it is now one of Darwin’s most popular entertainment and dining precincts, located within the new Darwin City Waterfront development. About Alex Lehours Regarded by himself as a freshman to the commercial art scene, Alex is an artist with no boundaries. His work is a combination of the past and present. Pen, pencil, ink and water colour frequently appear in Alex’s work, however he is constantly exploring new mediums and avenues for all of his pieces. Alex has worked on numerous international and domestic projects including work for FBI Radio, The Australian Museum’s Jurassic Lounge, Primo Magazine, The Pin Up Parlour, and ING Direct. He was also a contestant in the 2011 Secret Wars Sydney Series and his designs were recently showcased in the ‘NEXT’ T-shirt design section of Cockatoo Island’s OUTPOST ‘Art from the streets’ exhibition. --- Media enquiries: Samuel Spurr, Inlumino Communications, 0438 501 005, sam@inlumino.com.au