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SAFC announces two key executive appointments

Satu Teppo to head new industry development unit

Nara Wilson joins production team

The South Australian Film Corporation today announced the appointment of highly-experienced arts and strategic management specialist **Satu Teppo** to head the newly-created SAFC Industry Development, Partnerships and Engagement department.

Head of Industry Development, Partnerships and Engagement is the senior executive responsible for industry and audience development in partnership with screen organisations, the arts, business and government sectors. This department sits alongside the existing Production, Development, Attraction and Studios unit which continues to manage the business of content development and production for the agency.

CEO of the South Australian Film Corporation, Courtney Gibson said "In order to pursue an industry development agenda to best effect, while continuing to develop and co-finance the very best local and attracted productions, we have realigned staff and reporting lines to create a new unit dedicated to building industry skills and talent, driving partnerships with the business, tertiary, arts and philanthropic sectors, and delivering innovative approaches to screen culture and audience development."

Satu Teppo has extensive global management experience spanning both public and private sectors. She has held senior positions at the Finnish National Gallery, global technology and exchange company NASDAQ, Renewal SA and most recently at Arts South Australia where she was the Manager, Arts Industry before being appointed Executive Officer.

Courtney Gibson said "We are thrilled to have secured Satu Teppo for this new role; Satu's extensive background in business and skills building, and strategic partnerships development within a creative and arts context, position her perfectly to implement our industry and audience development agenda, to further build and diversify the SA production sector to deliver more jobs now and for the future, via existing and evolving forms of screen entertainment."

Satu Teppo said "I am excited to take on this newly-created role at the Film Corporation, an organisation with an international reputation for innovation and leadership. I look forward to working together with the rest of the team to deliver on SAFC's strategic priorities, develop our partnerships and to be part of the next chapter of screen successes in South Australia."

Also announced today is **Nara Wilson** as **Associate Executive, Production, Development, Attraction and Studios**. This role is responsible for supporting project development and production by local practitioners, as well as attracting production to SA.

Ms Wilson is a proud Wirangu, Kookatha and Larrakia woman who has extensive experience as a producer of documentary, short film and corporate work. Ms Wilson has worked at Foxtel within the Music Channels and written, produced and directed more than ten documentaries for NITV.

Courtney Gibson said "Nara's strong editorial skills, her experience in scripted and non-scripted production, along with a heart-on-sleeve passion for screen storytelling, make her an outstanding appointment to this new role."

Nara Wilson said "I am thrilled to be in this role and look forward to supporting new project development within the state. I especially anticipate encouraging local practitioners to achieve their goals and assisting them through the development phase of their projects."

The SAFC looks forward to welcoming Satu Teppo and Nara Wilson to the agency.

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