

It's a working relationship they are eager to repeat, particularly after the Academy Award nomination for *Miracle Fish*.

'I couldn't sleep a wink,' Luke said of the night prior to the nominations.

'Drew and I traded phone calls but because of the time they announce the nominations (5am), we had to sit around in the dark until everyone else woke up before we started doing the happy dance.'

Luke said the idea behind *Miracle Fish* is 'quite a personal story, stemming from my feeling as a teenager of wanting to hide from the world – or fantasising about being the only person left on earth'.

'I happen to love "last man on earth" type of genres. So it all clicked.

'I'd written a tonne of scripts prior to *Miracle Fish*, but none saw the light of day as they were all really terrible,' he said.

The 2010
Canberra Short
Film Festival
screens at
Dendy from 30
September to 2
October

This won't be the last project Luke and Drew work on together either.

'I would love to work with Drew on everything I make,' Luke said. 'We are developing and pushing a few new projects. It takes time, but every day you just kick it forward a little bit more.'

Miracle Fish was an official selection at last year's Canberra Short Film Festival, which will be held again this year at Dendy Cinema from 30 September-2 October. Visit silversunpictures.com.au/csff for more details.



This *Sacred Place* by Joy Engleman won the Lorenzo II Magnifico Award at the 2007 Florence Biennale.

EAGLE-EYE VIEW OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate change and human interconnectedness with nature are the themes explored in the *Eye of the Eagle* exhibition now on at Aarwun Gallery in Nicholls.

Until 14 August, visitors can see the breathtaking works of Joy Engelman and the naive Croatian style of Stephanie Jakovac, regional NSW artists who use

different techniques to explore similar themes.

The centrepiece is Joy Engelman's striking triptych, *This Sacred Place*, which won the Lorenzo II Magnifico Award at the 2007 Florence Biennale.

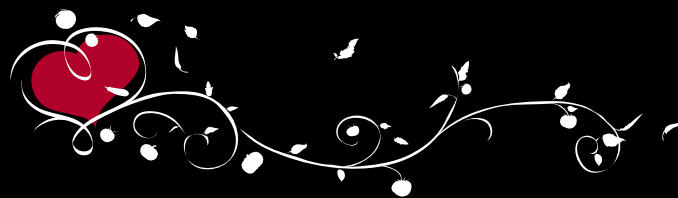
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