

# Vet News

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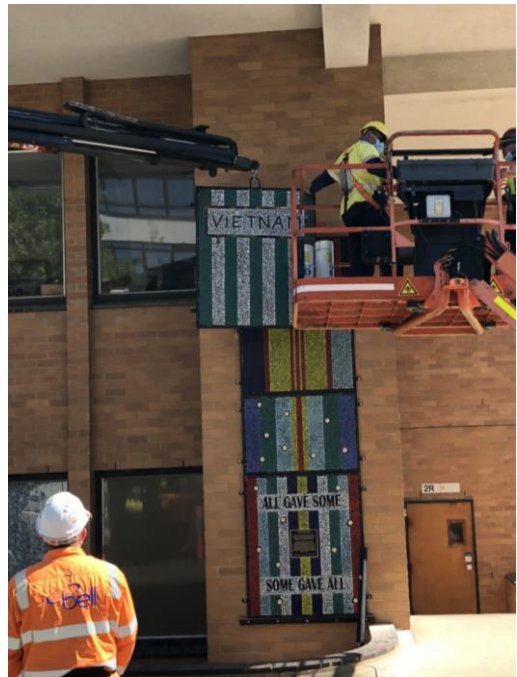
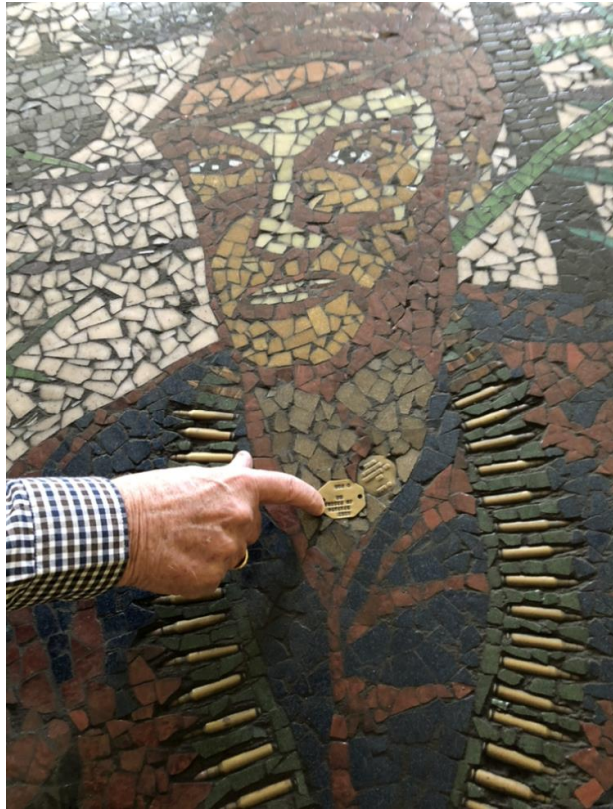
We know we've already sent you our Christmas and New Year best wishes, but we could not wait to show you our newest heritage art pieces. We look forward to formally unveiling these mosaics at our Anzac Day Service in 2021.



## Vietnam Mosaics

Even though COVID-19 presented challenges in 2020, the mosaics have been completed and were lifted into place on Saturday 12 December. The Artist, Simon Normand, has done an excellent job and many Vietnam Veterans worked on this project. Jeff Freeman donated his Dog Tags (pictured over) and they have been incorporated into the mosaic.

This project was made possible by donations specifically from the Returned Nurses RSL Sub Branch, Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation, Wayne Carswell (Vietnam Veteran), the Nurses Memorial Centre and Cynthia Hansen daughter of Vietnam Veteran Doug Blackney who is a long term RSL Representative at Austin Health.



The installation work was coordinated by the Building Services staff in the Ventia Depot at Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital. A crane and cherry picker were needed and the day became more exciting with the installation of each piece. Simon Normand took time lapse photography and many of the tradies took their own photos and circulated to their contacts. As the installation proceeded, Robert filled in time by cleaning all the windows at ground and first floor level of the North Wing.

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