

Celebrity support for a peace of art

POP singer Leo Sayer was in the Hunter yesterday to launch an art exhibition based on something he feels strongly about, world peace.

“Art is extremely important to us all in the community, it really does combine all of the elements,” Sayer said at Hunter Valley Gardens.

“We don’t need all of the aggression and violence in our lives and art makes us aware of that. It’s harmony we’re all missing.”

The exhibition, called *The Davson - World Leaders and Enlightenment Collection*, is by Shortland artist Sharon Davson.

The exhibition, which is on show at the Garden Terrace Restaurant until January 10, features 20 works created during Ms Davson’s career, from 1973 to today.

It is being supported by several international celebrities promoting



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world peace, including Neil Diamond, Sir Cliff Richard, Andre Agassi, and Cathy Freeman.

Ms Davson said the exhibition featured drawings, etchings and silk screen prints.

“My favourite work is called *Discovery*,” she said. “It’s about the Munibung Bunyip and he’s a coal-miner. It’s a very bright and colourful work.”

The works will form a larger exhibition that will tour galleries and museums nationally.

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