

**CONCEPTUAL
ART: Tweed
River Art
Gallery visitor
Anouk Beck
admires
Astroflirt —
a new and
striking
installation
at the
Grafton
Regional
Gallery.**

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Astroflirt links man with nature

ASTROFLIRT, on exhibition at Grafton Regional Gallery, explores the unusual.

Created by artist Sebastian di Mauro, of Brisbane, the sculpture is made from astroflirt, galvanised steel and carpet underlay.

Astroflirt's enigmatic shape has been derived from the human form and explores the concept of the similarities between a human and nature.

Di Mauro loves to examine the real and the artificial and expressed his delight that the gallery has displayed Astroflirt on grass.

The 'artificialness' of the astroflirt makes a stark comparison to the grass on which it has been placed.

The grassy aspects of the sculpture also allude to the Australian weekend preoccupation of lawn mowing.

Di Mauro believes Astroflirt encourages people to have a laugh at themselves, for so much of life is structured and 'clipped with precision', like hedges and lawns.