



**BRUSHING UP:** Artists Joel Van der Knaap (front) and Matt Stuckey. Picture: Roy Van Der Vegt HF430479

## Art goes green

**MURAL:** FROM a small blob of paint, a big environmental message will grow.

That's the aim of Adelaide artists Matt Stuckey and Joel Van der Knapp who are putting their creative stamp on an East End laneway this week.

The pair are painting a mural on the corner of Union St and Ebenezer Place to reflect how buildings can work in cohesion with the environment. It will be painted alongside another eye-catching mural by internationally-renowned art collective Everfresh.

But Stuckey and Van der Knapp are quick to point out that unlike the Everfresh installation, their mural will not be painted graffiti-style.

"Neither of us are street artists so in that sense we're doing a more traditional mural

using paint and paintbrushes - we're painting on a big canvas really," Stuckey, of Norwood, says.

An illustrator by trade, Stuckey says the wall will feature mainly grey and green hues with abstract prints.

"... the point it will make is that developments and buildings, they don't have to be combative forces against the environment."

The building's owner, the Maras Group, approved the mural because of that very message. They hope to finish it this week, weather permitting, but being their first mural, Stuckey is unsure how long it will take or how much paint is needed. "The wall's quite grainy so I'd say we'd need quite a few buckets (of paint) - luckily Bunnings is just around the corner."

### Unholy robbery

**BREAKIN:** A PAIR of thieves broke into Saint Luke's Church in Whitmore Square on Sunday (October 18) morning. The robbers were trying to break into the church safe when they set off an alarm, just after 5am. The monitoring company called the after-hours church contact, but when he arrived at the scene to confront the two men he was threatened with a hammer. The thieves managed to escape with a stolen laptop. One of the men is described as Caucasian, about 35 years old, 180cm tall with a stocky build and a black beard. He was wearing a beanie and dark clothing.

For more police news see [citymessenger.com.au](http://citymessenger.com.au)

### NEWSPACK

■ An exclusive clothing swap and fashion parade - Pink2Pink - is on tonight (Thursday, October 22) to raise money for the National Breast Cancer Foundation. The event, held at Hotel Richmond, 128 Rundle Mall, at 6.30pm, will showcase collections from Karibu Designs, with guests also treated to a glass of bubbly, cupcakes and canapes. Tickets: \$25. Book online at [clothingexchange.com.au](http://clothingexchange.com.au).



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