



# Arts Grants and Programs

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Grant	Purpose	
<b>Partnership Grants</b> Up to \$2,500	Arts NSW Managed by Music NSW	They provide entertainment across NSW for teams of young people to stage their own drug and alcohol free events. The aim is to inform, resource, advice and support young people to enable them to activate their local music scene and create sustainable youth events. <a href="http://www.indent.net.au/resources">www.indent.net.au/resources</a> <a href="http://www.musicnsw.com">www.musicnsw.com</a>
<b>Australian Business Arts Foundation</b>	Department of Environment Water, Heritage and the Arts	\$3.2 million over two years to the Australia Business Arts Foundation. The funding will assist the Foundation to continue to encourage and facilitate private sector support for the Arts. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Live on Stage – Music International Showcase Program</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	This fund offers travel support for professional musicians selected to showcase Australia original music at key international music trade fairs and international festivals. (Music, Market Development) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Booked</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	Travel Fund for publishers and literary agents – market development to promote Australia literary works and authors overseas and develop international demand for Australia literary works and authors. (Literature) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Going Global – Market Development</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	To create demand for Australian contemporary arts through supporting and developing new markets and new audiences. (Dance; inter-arts; theatre, market development). <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Infuse – Inter-Arts</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	Infuse the development of Australian hybrid and interdisciplinary arts practice, particularly in areas where there are limited opportunities for artists to network. The aim is to address issues of conceptual developments among artists working in interdisciplinary practice. (inter-arts) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Emerging Producer Mentorships</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	Ten mentorships for emerging producers, agents, gallery dealers and arts managers for young emerging artists. (market development) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Program youth arts, theater</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	Three year funding for youth theatres companies which develop and represent stories of young people and offer development pathways for youth. (Theatre) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Key organizations –</b>	<b>Australia Council for</b>	To make high quality theater works and create opportunities for others. (theatre)

<b>Multi year – Theatre</b>	<b>the Arts</b>	<a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>ART FARE: Australian Arts Expo</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	To support commercial art galleries to attend international visual arts, crafts and designs to develop markets for Australian visual arts. (visual arts). <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Partnership Development – Community Partnerships</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	To assist artists, groups and organizations to undertake further development or extension of effective partnerships. (Visual arts: market development). <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Create Communities Partnership Initiative</b>	<b>Australian Council for the Arts</b>	To support major community arts and cultural development projects of excellence that align arts and non art partners and have clear outcomes beyond the life of the project. (Community Partnerships) <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Go See Fund for Presenters</b>	<b>Australian Council for the Arts</b>	Travel assistance for professional presenters to attend performance by Australian artists. (Dance theatre, market development). <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Opportunities for Young and Emerging Artists (OYEA)</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	OYEA provides assistance for creative residencies and commissions, artist run initiatives, mentoring programs, interdisciplinary arts residential laboratories, and networking. <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>Creative Arts Programs</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	A number of programs that cover all genres: dance, Inter-arts, literature, music, theater and visual arts grants. <a href="http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>AGIEI</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts</b>	Support for purchasing commercial insurance for major exhibitions. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Community Heritage Grants</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts</b>	Support for community organization to preserve their cultural material, including archives and oral history recordings. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Contemporary Music Touring Program</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts</b>	Funding for professional, contemporary Australian musicians to tour and perform original music within Australia. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Contemporary Touring Initiative</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment,</b>	Support for the development of touring of major exhibitions of contemporary visual arts and craft

	Water, Heritage and the Arts	across Australia. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Indigenous Broadcasting Program</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Funding for individual broadcasters and broadcasting activities to support Indigenous community radio. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Festivals Australia</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Funding for regional and community festivals to present a new or special cultural activity. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Indigenous Culture Support</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Assistance for activities that promote Indigenous cultures as integral elements of Australian society and identity. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Lending Rights</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	The Public Lending Right and Educational Lending Right schemes provide payments for Australian creators and publishers whose books are held in public and educational libraries. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Maintenance of Indigenous Languages and Records</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Support for the revival and maintenance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders' languages. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Maritime Museums of Australia Project Support Scheme</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Support for the Indigenous visual arts industry and Indigenous art centres. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>National Arts and Craft Industry Support Program</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Support for Indigenous visual arts industry and Indigenous centers. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>NCITO</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Support to exhibit and tour the national collections. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Playing Australia</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	Support for performing arts bodies to tour in remote and regional areas of Australia. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Regional Arts Fund</b>	Dept of the Environment, Water,	A partnership with the peak regional arts organizations in each state and arts ministries in the territories to assist artists and art organizations in

	<b>Heritage and the Arts</b>	regional and remote areas. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Return of Indigenous Cultural Property Program</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts</b>	A collaborative effort between governments and museums to resolve issues arising from collections of Indigenous ancestral remains and secret objects. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Community Partnerships Grants</b>	<b>Australia Council for the Arts</b>	For groups of artists so that they can organize themselves and promote their work. <a href="http://www.australicouncil.gov.au/grants">www.australicouncil.gov.au/grants</a>
<b>National Arts and Crafts Industry Support Program</b>	<b>Dept of the Environment, Water Heritage and the Arts</b>	Provides funding support to Indigenous arts centres and arts support and advocacy organizations. The objective is to assist art centres to become stronger and build a more sustainable Indigenous visual arts industry. <a href="http://www.arts.gov.au">www.arts.gov.au</a>
<b>National Arts and Crafts Industry Support (NACIS) program</b>	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	A nationally competitive program that provides direct funding support to Indigenous art centres, and arts support and advocacy organisations. The aim is to strengthen governance in business management practices in the industry. Provide opportunities for artists to maintain, develop and extend their professional art practice and provide opportunities for art workers to develop professional skills and experience. <a href="http://www.innovation.gov.au">www.innovation.gov.au</a>
<b>Prime Minister's Literayc Awards</b>	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	The Government will provide \$0.8 million over four years to expand the Prime Minister's Literary Awards to fund annual cash prizes of \$100,000 in each of the two new categories: young adult fiction book of the year and children's fiction book of the year. These new categories have been included to recognise the important role children's books play in the literacy of young Australians. This funding will be in addition to the current funding for the two existing award categories — fiction and non-fiction books of the year — and will bring the prize money to a total of \$400,000 per annum. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html</a>
<b>Visual Artist's Benevolent Fund</b>	<b>NAVA</b>	Provides limited financial assistance to visual arts practitioners faced with financial difficulties as a result of serious illness, an accident or some other unexpected catastrophe. It is not intended that the fund be used as a means of coping with financial hardship. <a href="mailto:nava@visualarts.net.au">nava@visualarts.net.au</a> Tel: (02) 9368 1900

