CultureLAB 2025-2026 EOI
Form Preview

APPLICATION INFORMATION

HOW TO APPLY

Please ensure you have read the full details about [CultureLAB](#) on the Arts House website before applying.

Applications in these formats can be submitted through the SmartyGrants EOI system:

- Written
- Video
- Audio
- Auslan video (we can arrange interpretation of your video if needed - please contact us)

Within this EOI there will be space to choose a written response or upload a file/ URL with your preferred format per question. Please note that questions regarding contact details and data do not have the option for a file upload.

Please contact us prior to the closing date if you need to submit your EOI outside of SmartyGrants including recorded zoom or another format for access reasons.

SELECTION CRITERIA

EOIs will be reviewed in response to the following criteria:

Artistic concept

- A well-thought through and exciting idea in subject matter, form and approach

Embrace risk-taking and experimentation

- New and experimental approaches within the artists' own practice, the artform, and/or a new approach to making work
- Arts House's support will make a difference to the trajectory of the project, and the artists' career(s)

Alignment to Arts House Vision

- The project reflects [Arts House's vision](#)
- The support material demonstrates the artist or group's history of delivering creative projects

APPLICANT DETAILS

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Applicant *
First Name   Last Name

[   ] [   ]

Preferred Pronouns

[   ]

Email *

[   ]

Mobile Phone Number *

[   ]

Applicant Primary Address *
Address

[   ]

[   ]

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required.

Website

[   ]

Must be a URL.

If offered a CultureLAB, I acknowledge that I will seek an Auspicing agency unless I can evidence an existing Public Liability Insurance of $20 million, and can provide Superannuation and WorkCover to myself and any artists and support personnel that I engage to deliver this project. *
○ Yes

If offered a CultureLAB, I acknowledge that Arts House has the first right of refusal to present the work. *
○ Yes

PROJECT INFORMATION

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- Submissions will be considered in relation to the CultureLAB Selection Criteria - view at start of this form.
- We recommend your response for each question is approximately 400 words or less, or up to 5 minutes in video, audio, or Auslan format.
- If you are submitting a video, audio, or Auslan video response, please include separate video URLs in response to each question.

PROJECT

Project title *

Artform *

PROJECT SUMMARY

Brief project overview

◯ Text   ◯ Audio   ◯ Video   ◯ Auslan

Please select the format for this question

Brief project summary *

Word count:

No more than 50 words

Please provide a brief project overview including Project Title, Artform and a brief project summary.

File upload option	URL	Password if required
Max 1 min audio or video or 2 min Auslan	Max 1 min audio or video or 2 min Auslan Must be a URL.	

PROJECT DETAIL

Project idea outlining what the work will be formally, as well as the conceptual ideas you will be interrogating.

Please select the format you will be submitting your answer for this question

◯ Text   ◯ Audio   ◯ Video   ◯ Auslan

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Word count:

File upload option	URL	Password if required

	Must be a URL.	

PROJECT PLAN

Explain your project plan, detailing the length of time of the development (between 2-4 weeks) and how it might be structured.

Note: this plan should be financially viable and will be viewed alongside your budget.

Ideally how many weeks would your development go for? *

Must be a number and at least 2.

Please select the format you will be submitting your answer for this question
○ Text ○ Audio ○ Video ○ Auslan

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Word count:

File upload option	URL	Password if required
	Must be a URL.	

DEVELOPMENT STAGE

What stage of development is your project at? Has it had any previous developments, future developments or any future commitments?

Please select the format you will be submitting your answer for this question
○ Text ○ Audio ○ Video ○ Auslan

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Word count:

File upload option	URL	Password if required
	Must be a URL.	

ACCESS REQUIREMENTS

Arts House is committed to ensuring our programs are open and accessible to all people and all communities. We understand access is constantly evolving and can remain adaptive to your needs.

What access requirements and support do you and your team require to participate in the CultureLAB program?

Please select the format you will be submitting your answer for this question
○ Text   ○ Audio   ○ Video   ○ Auslan

Word count:

What access requirements and support do you and your team require to develop your project?

File upload option	URL	Password for URL if applicable
	Must be a URL.	

FURTHER INFORMATION (optional)

Is there anything else you'd like us to know about your project?

Please select the format you will be submitting your answer for this question
○ Text   ○ Audio   ○ Video   ○ Auslan

Is there anything else you'd like us to know about your project? *

Word count:

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File upload option	URL	Password for URL if applicable
	Must be a URL.	

BUDGET

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You must supply a budget that covers the entire development timeline and pays all collaborators. Download this template, complete and upload as an attachment here. Other budget templates will not be accepted.

Download budget template

Budget *
Attach a file:

URL

Must be a URL.

Password if required

ARTISTS / COLLABORATORS

* indicates a required field

Total number of people involved in this project *

Must be a number.

List all artists and collaborators involved in the project.

Please make sure that all artists are aware they are listed on this submission.

All artists / collaborators and their roles *

ARTIST BIOGRAPHIES

Submit up to five biographies of key artists / collaborators.

Company biography if applicable

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

Artist 1 - Biography

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

Artist 2 - Biography

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

Artist 3 - Biography

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

Artist 4 - Biography

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

Artist 5 - Biography

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words

SUPPORT MATERIAL

You must submit at least ONE URL weblink video documentation with a description of what the link is showing. No more than 5 minutes. This does not need to be for the work that you are submitting - but you do need to detail its relevance to the submission. No hard copies will be accepted.

Web link URL's	Password for access if applicable	Support material - description
Up to 3 URL's can be listed. Show reels should be a maximum of 5 minutes.		

Other relevant support material

Can add up to three additional pieces of support material (including images, reviews, scripts etc).

Attachment 1

Attach a file:

Attachment 2

Attach a file:

Attachment 3

Attach a file:

DATA COLLECTION

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We would like to find out a bit more about you. We capture this information only for our reporting, so that we can improve our accessibility and outreach, not for the purpose of assessing your application.

Is this the first time applying for an Arts House EOI? *
○ Yes   ○ No

How did you hear about the EOI? *
☐ City of Melbourne website   ☐ Newsletter article   ☐ Word of mouth / referral
☐ I'm a previous applicant / ☐ Social media (other than   ☐ Other:
recipient   City of Melbourne)
☐ Internet search

Do you belong to any of the below groups *
☐ Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
☐ First Nations (other than Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander)
☐ Culturally and linguistically diverse
☐ D/deaf, Disabled, neurodiverse and or chronically ill
☐ Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer
☐ Prefer not to say
☐ None of the above

What is your age group? *
○ 15-19   ○ 25-34   ○ 45-54   ○ 65 or over
○ 20-24   ○ 35-44   ○ 55-64   ○ Prefer not to say

Which of the following do you identify as? *
○ Female
○ Male
○ Non-binary / gender diverse

○ Other
○ Prefer not to say

Do you speak a language other than English at home? *
○ Yes   ○ No   ○ Prefer not to say

Which language? *

PRIVACY, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DECLARATION

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Privacy Statement

Please read and acknowledge the following:

- I understand that all information provided in this application is securely stored by SmartyGrants and the City of Melbourne. Any personal information will be stored in accordance with the City of Melbourne's Privacy Policy.
- I understand that the information I have provided in this application will only be disclosed to those relevant to the assessment of my application, or to award of the funding. Information will not be disclosed to any other external party without my consent, unless required or authorised by law.
- I consent to Council publishing the successful applicants on the City of Melbourne website.

I have read and agree to the above statements *   ○ Yes

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DECLARATION

- I understand that the decisions of the advisory panel are final.
- I certify that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I certify that I have read the Arts House Expression of Interest Program information, and that I am familiar with the content and information relevant to my Expression of Interest.
- I understand and agree that if this submission is successful, Arts House will require all artists and collaborators to adhere to the City of Melbourne's Sustainability, Access and Working with Children policies.
- If offered a CultureLAB, I acknowledge that I will seek an Auspicing agency unless I can provide evidence an existing Public Liability Insurance of $20 million, and can provide Superannuation and WorkCover to myself and any artists and support personnel that I engage to deliver this project.
- I acknowledge that the City of Melbourne reserves the right to alter, cancel or abandon any or all aspects of the Arts House Expression of Interest program without prior notice and at its absolute discretion.

I have read and agree to the above statements *

○ Yes

Name of authorised person *

First Name
Last Name

Date *