# Room to Create Artist-in-Residency Program



Individuals, Partnerships and Collectives

**Expression of interest** 

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Yarra City Council is seeking Expressions of Interest for an Artist-in-Residency program, at the Hugo Wertheim Room – Studio One Community Hub, Richmond, a space managed by the City of Yarra.

The residencies are open to artists as individuals, partnerships or collectives. Successful applicants will receive exclusive use of the space for a 12 month period.

This residency is part of Yarra City Council's **Room to Create Program**, which aims to keep the arts in Yarra by providing support for eligible artists or groups through its Room to Create Artist-in-Residency program.

The **Room to Create Program** encompasses a range of initiatives by the City of Yarra to help keep the arts in Yarra. As the City continues to change, presenting challenges to creatives, arts and cultural organisations, Council is providing support to keep Yarra a vibrant, creative centre for the arts through a number of Council-owned spaces, making it easier for creatives to have access to spaces.

## **Brief for Artists**

We are seeking Expressions of Interests that support Council's vision of encouraging community engagement and creative use of City of Yarra venues.

This callout is open to practitioners who will use the space to develop work and provide a public program or outcome during their residency for the Yarra community.

We encourage practitioners to consider aspects of the site and location when developing a proposal for a public outcome either during the residency or on its completion.

## Site Description and Information

The **Hugo Wertheim Room** is located inside the Studio One Community Hub site at 15 Barnet Way, Richmond.

It is an intimate meeting room that is part of a multi-use facility comprising of a large function space, smaller meeting rooms, a commercial kitchen and a co-working space.

The room is carpeted with a table and 2 chairs, and includes use of the shared kitchen facilities, and would best suit an individual practitioner for writing or creating work more suited to an office environment.

The site can be easily accessed by Public Transport on the 70 or 75 tram and is a short walk from Burnley Train Station.

The successful applicant will receive financial support for a proposed public outcome/program for up to \$500, pending on the scope of the project, and have access to the space between the hours of 8am – 8pm.

This residency is for 12 months and offered creative individuals or groups.

#### **Submission Guidelines**

Individual artists or groups may submit one proposal only as part of the Expression of Interest process. Proposals will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Innovative and/or emerging practice;
- Priority will be given to applicants who are in need of a space and support to develop work;
- Applicants who consider the residency within the context of the location and community;
- Engagement provided to the community by the public program or outcome during or at the completion of the residency.

We are seeking applicants who can commit to using the studio space regularly for the duration of the residency.

This is 12 month residency is due to commence at the start of July 2019.

There is an expectation that a public outcome or program will be generated from the residency.

Successful applicants may apply for up to \$500.00 in support of their public program or outcome for development.

Additional support such as promotion/publicity will be provided by Yarra City Council through the Arts and Culture website, newsletter and social media.

All applicants must attend a site visit as condition of this EOI application.

#### If you are unable to make these time, then please contact:

Debra Kunda, Arts Development Officer on 9205 5089 or <a href="mailto:debra.kunda@yarracity.vic.gov.au">debra.kunda@yarracity.vic.gov.au</a>

You are welcome to discuss your ideas with us before submitting your application.

#### **Timelines**

Applications are open Friday 24 May 2019 and will remain open until **4pm Monday 10 June 2019**.

It is a condition of the EOI that applicants attend a site visit prior to submission of their EOI.

Viewing times for the spaces will take place at **Hugo Wertheim Studio One**:

- Tuesday 4 June, 5pm 6pm
- Wednesday 5 June, 11am 12pm

Applicants should expect to be notified of the outcome by the end of June.

## Eligibility

- An individual or group applicant who can demonstrate the need of the residency in support of the development of their creative practice.
- Applicants who propose a public outcome or program during or at the conclusion of their residency for the Yarra community.
- Applicants applying for financial support for their public program will need to complete a budget which will be reviewed by the assessment panel.
- Applicants who have already participated in the Room to Create Artist-in- Residency program are ineligible to apply.
- Applicants who are currently studying are ineligible to apply.

## **Assessment Criteria**

- Does the applicant provide reasons for seeking a studio space in support of their creative practice?
- Does the applicant propose an activity/program/outcome for the local community?
- How does the local community benefit from this project?
- Does the applicant have the capacity to successfully complete the project?
- If applying for financial support for the public program/outcome, is the budget for the project realistic?

#### What to submit:

- A completed application form via the Smarty Grants portal link
- Images or links to website or video of previous or proposed works (up to 3 x A4 pages)
- A CV (maximum 2 pages)
- Any other relevant support material

### How to submit:

Applications can be made online through Council's website, at cityofyarra.smartygrants.com.au

## When to submit:

Applications must be received by 4pm Monday 10 June 2019.

## Further information

Should you wish to discuss your application, please contact:

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