

**Calling for Expressions of Interest for Creative Education Partnerships:
The Artists in Residence Education Initiative
Stream 2 Organisational Capacity**

Applications close Friday 19th June 2009

Artists in Residence Initiative

Arts NT (NRETAS) in partnership with the Department of Education and Training (DET) and the Australia Council for the Arts is offering new project funding for initiatives that build partnerships between arts organisations and schools.

The aim is to build and strengthen relationships between selected arts organisations, DET and schools across the NT. Grants of up to \$20,000 are available for the Artists in Residence Education Initiatives in 2009.

Background Information

The Australian Government has committed \$5.2M over four years for the Creative Education Partnerships: Artists in Residence initiative. This initiative will be informed by the recently endorsed [National Education and the Arts Statement](#).

Guiding Principles

Arts Organisations

Arts organisations must have a strong track record in delivering specialist arts programs in the education environment.

Arts organisations will have a commitment to working with children, young people and/or tertiary students, and a demonstrated strong commitment to working with educators.

Schools

For the purposes of this program, schools and universities will incorporate pre-schools, primary schools, high schools, colleges, officially recognised learning centres, universities and tertiary institutions.

Schools involved in the partnerships will have to demonstrate a commitment to a collaborative approach in delivering creative arts outcomes to students and the broader school community.

Scope of projects

- projects that develop educational activities for teachers and students associated with all art forms including performance, multimedia, visual arts and craft, literature, dance and music etc
- artistic collaborations between schools and arts organisations with shared priorities, such as at-risk youth, regional remote location/isolation, or creative facilities and resources

- a website that contains resources/activities for schools associated with their year-long program of arts/education workshops, showcase presentations, exhibitions and performances
- projects can be staggered over a twelve month period of engagement
- incorporate where appropriate, as a component of the partnership, visits to local artists' studios, art centres, galleries, museums, and performances
- act as a catalyst for school engagement in wider community-based activities e.g. festivals and events, site-specific works, performances, publications and exhibitions of children's work, creative classes and workshops for parents and families.

Selection Process

A Working Party Committee, which includes representation from NRETAS, DET, the Australia Council for the Arts and from the arts and education sector, will assess expressions of interest guided by the following principles that arts organisations will:

- collaborate with schools and individuals (including community elders), shire and municipal governments and other partners in remote, regional and/or urban communities to develop rich arts learning outcomes for students.
- engage with and celebrate cultural differences and diversity.
- support professional development opportunities for artists, teachers and students and the building of partnership success by learning together and from each other.
- develop programs with the potential to be sustainable and to lead to more sustainable and positive relationships and collaborations between schools and arts organisations into the future
- incorporate an ongoing cycle of research, evaluation and program improvement to help bridge the gap between what we know and what we do.

Please send expressions of interest with proposal outlines to Christine Silvester, Arts NT, PO Box 496, Darwin NT 0801 or email arts.office@nt.gov.au

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