

# Multi-Year Funding 4 + 4 2025-2028

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### About the grant

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### Instructions for applicants

Before completing this application form, you should have read the program guidelines and the [Frequently Asked Question's](#) available on the website.

Other documents you will need to complete this application are:

- A strategic plan for 2025-2028 OR 2026-2028
- A detailed artistic plan of activities for 2025 and 2026
- Audited Accounts for 2023
- Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2024
- Detailed budget for 2025 and 2026.

You may choose to use the following templates:

- [Strategic Plan template](#)
- [Artistic plan of activities](#)
- [Budget Template](#)

For further information please also see other resources such as:

- [Strategic plan help guide](#)
- [Resource Hub](#)

**You should allow appropriate time to complete and review your application.**

**Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.**

### Disclaimer

The applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- submission of this application does not guarantee funding will be granted for any program, and the Department expressly reserves its right to accept or reject this application at its discretion;
- it must bear the costs of preparing and submitting this application and the Department does not accept any liability for such costs, whether or not this application is ultimately accepted or rejected;
- they have read the funding guidelines for the program and has fully informed themselves of the relevant program requirements;

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- Create NSW may use information provided in this application for media and publicity purposes;
- Create NSW has the right to investigate any information provided in this application and/or to request additional information;
- applications cannot be modified after being submitted;
- funding will not be released if the organisation has outstanding acquittals for other projects/programs/tours;
- Create NSW has the right to withdraw any offer of funding or demand the return of funds already paid if a declaration is found to be incorrect or misleading; and
- Create NSW staff are available 9am-5pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) during the grant round to provide technical and general guideline advice. Staff are not able to provide advice on content or choices required within my application.

## Use of Information

By submitting this form, the applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- Create NSW will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any information received in or in respect of this application which is clearly marked 'Commercial-in-confidence' or 'Confidential' is treated as confidential, however, such documents will remain subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act);
- in some circumstances Create NSW may release information contained in this application form and other relevant information in relation to this application in response to a request lodged under the GIPA Act or otherwise as required or permitted by law;
- all information supplied as part of this application will be true and accurate to the best of their knowledge;
- all activities proposed by this application will be conducted in accordance with current legislation, including but not limited to, complying with Working with Children legislation;
- I have the authority to complete and submit this application on the entity's behalf.

If successful, the applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- the relevant details of the program will be made public, including details such as the names of the organisation (Applicant) and any partnering organisation (state government agency or non-government organisation), program title, program description, location and amount awarded;
- your organisation can only apply for any future grants and initiatives **if** Create NSW invites you to apply during the term of your agreement.

## Privacy Notice

By submitting this application form, the applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- the Department is required to comply with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) (the Privacy Act) and that any personal information (as

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defined by the Privacy Act) collected by the Department in relation to the program will be handled in accordance with the Privacy Act and its privacy policy (available [here](#));

- the information it provides to the Department in connection with this application will be collected and stored on a database and will only be used for the purposes for which it was collected (including, where necessary, being disclosed to other Government agencies in connection with the assessment of the merits of an application) or as otherwise permitted by the Privacy Act;
- it has taken steps to ensure that any person whose personal information (as defined by the Privacy Act) is included in this application has consented to the fact that the Department and other Government agencies may be supplied with that personal information, and has been made aware of the purposes for which it has been collected and may be used.

**Do you wish to receive updates from Create NSW? \***

- Yes  No

## Eligibility

\* indicates a required field

### Eligibility Questions

To check if your organisation is eligible to apply for this grant round, complete the questions below:

**Is your organisation based in NSW? \***

- Yes  No

**What best describes your organisation? \***

- Independent Not-for-Profit organisation with the provision of arts and cultural services as the primary purpose of the organisation
- Local Government Authority located in NSW
- Key Festival
- State Significant Organisation
- National Performing Arts Partnership organisation
- For-profit organisation

**Does your organisation have less than 4 permanent employees? \***

- Yes  No

This can be either permanent or part time staff.

**Can you confirm that you are: \***

- receiving Multi-year Program funding from Create NSW

**What is your most recent 23/24 funding amount? \***

\$

This MUST NOT include any COVID Support, strategic initiative funding, Culture Up Late, Sound NSW, Screen NSW and Create NSW Infrastructure funding

**Is the average of your total income greater than \$750,000? \***

- Yes  No

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**Does your organisation support First Nations self-determination principles and adhere to relevant Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP), NSW Aboriginal protocols and cultural safety in the workplace? \***

Yes  No

If Yes, you are required to provide referees from the relevant communities and/or organisations who are prepared to speak to your experience and or your proposal. Refer to [NSW Aboriginal Arts and Cultural Protocol](#)

For more information, please click on this link to read about the [Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property \(ICIP\)](#).

### Unable to continue

Based on your response to the above Eligibility question, you are unable to continue. Refer to the Multiyear Program Guidelines for details.

Create NSW staff are here to help you and can be contacted between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) via:

- [multiyear@create.nsw.gov.au](mailto:multiyear@create.nsw.gov.au)
- Scheduling an appointment with a staff member by clicking on this [link](#)

### Eligibility Confirmation

Please declare that this application meets the program eligibility criteria:

- It will be prepared and submitted by an eligible applicant
- The program commences 1 January 2026 and on a **calendar year (1 January to 31 December)** basis for each year of funding

**I can confirm that I have read the guidelines and that the above information provided to support the organisation's eligibility is correct \***

Yes

### Organisation Contact Details

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#### Organisation Details

**Organisation Name \***

Organisation Name

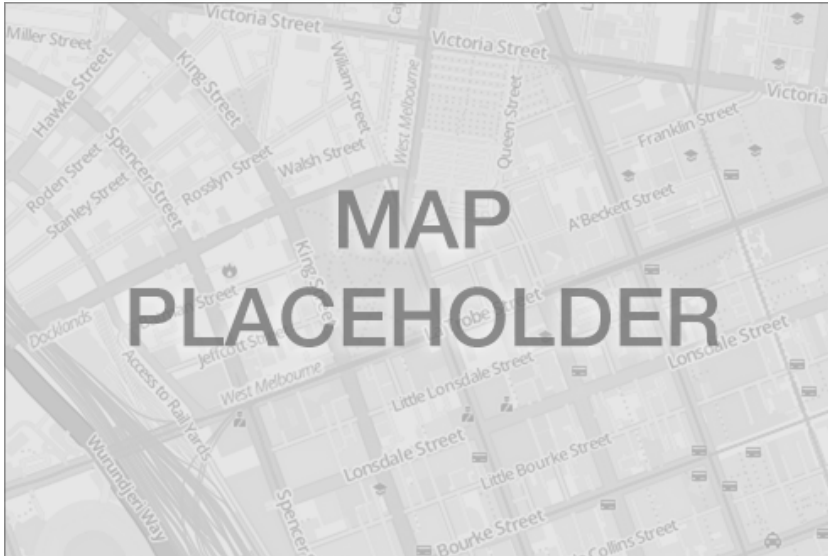
Please use the organisation's full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

**Primary Address**

Address

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### Postal Address

Address

### Primary Phone Number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.  
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

### Other Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.  
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

### Email Address \*

Must be an email address.

### Website

Must be a URL.

### Does the applicant organisation have an Australian Business Number (ABN)? \*

Yes  No

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### ABN \*

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	<a href="#">More information</a>
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

### Organisation Type

#### Are you applying as a Service Organisation? \*

Yes  No

#### Do you intend to deliver a devolved funding program? \*

Yes  No

### Head of Organisation

#### Name \*

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

#### Position \*

#### Phone Number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.

#### Email \*

Must be an email address.

### Contact Details

This is the person Create NSW will correspond with about this grant.

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**Name \***

Title

First Name

Last Name

**Position \***

**Phone Number \***

Must be an Australian phone number.

Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

**Email \***

Must be an email address.

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

## Application Details

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When entering the primary location of your initiative below, it refers to the where your program will be mostly taking place.

**Title \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 25 words.

Provide a name for your initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive.

**Brief description \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 50 words.

Include a brief summary of who will benefit from this initiative, what activities you will do and what outcomes you expect from your activities.

**Anticipated start date \***

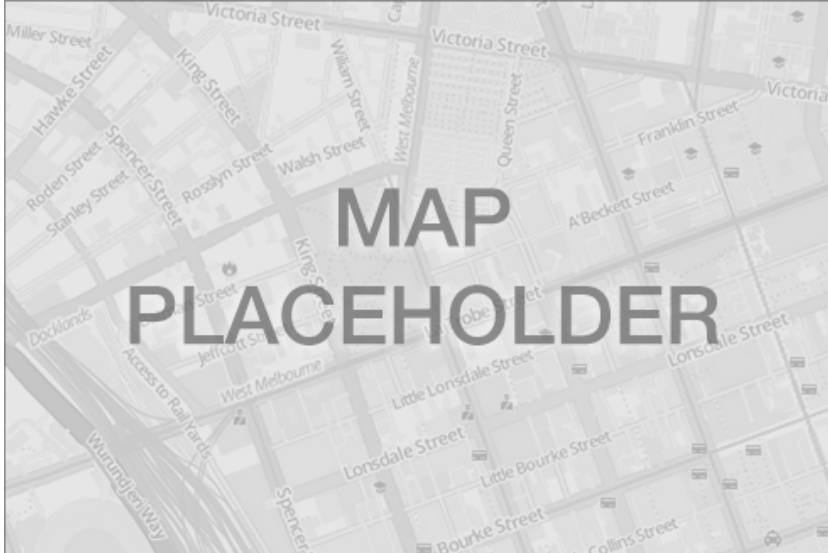
**Anticipated end date \***

**Primary location of your initiative**

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Address

Primary location does not need to be a specific address, and can be postcode, suburb, state, etc. If delivered online, please specify the area of focus for delivery.

### Please update the start/end date

You have indicated above that your program either starts before 1 January 2026 or after 31 December 2028.

Please update the details to ensure your dates fit within these timeframes.

### Service Organisation

**How does your Service Organisation address artform and sector development? \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

### Devolved Program

**Please outline your devolved program \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

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You should include how many programs, who is eligible, what amounts applicants can apply for and what is the benefit of these programs.

**How much are you receiving for your current devolved program? \***

### Artform

**What Artform Board would you like the application to be assessed under? \***

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> First Nations Arts & Culture                    | <input type="radio"/> Festivals                 |
| <input type="radio"/> Classical Music/Opera/Choral/Ensemble           | <input type="radio"/> Literature/Writing        |
| <input type="radio"/> Community Arts & Cultural Development           | <input type="radio"/> Museums & History         |
| <input type="radio"/> Dance & Physical Theatre                        | <input type="radio"/> Theatre & Musical Theatre |
| <input type="radio"/> Digital & Experimental, Immersive and Light Art | <input type="radio"/> Visual Arts               |

**What is the primary artform for your organisation? \***

### Connection to Country

#### **Disclaimer and Respectful Notice:**

This list serves as a general guide, indicating the locations of larger communities, which may encompass smaller subsets such as groups, dialects, or individual languages. The list of Nations and boundaries provided are not intended to be precise or definitive.

We acknowledge and respect the potential variations in names and pronunciations across different communities and languages. We encourage applicants to approach this information with an understanding of these potential variations.

For comprehensive information about specific groups in a particular region, we recommend contacting the appropriate Local Aboriginal Land Councils.

If you're uncertain about the First Nations community or Nation, explore the [AIATSIS map](#) of Indigenous Australia to find the First Nations region.

**On which First Nations Country/Countries is the majority of your program taking place on? Please select all that apply \***

## Assessment Criteria (Page 1)

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### Assessment Criteria: Artistic and Cultural Leadership, Diversity and Career Pathways

#### **Essential Criteria & Weighting**

#### **Specific information or evidence to be provided**

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### Information/ Source

#### *Artistic and Cultural Leadership (40%)*

- Demonstrate a key leadership role in the NSW arts and culture ecology
- Create and share NSW stories/content on a local, national and/or international stage
- Deliver programming and/or capacity building that provides social as well as cultural value
- Drive collaboration across the NSW arts and cultural ecology
- Deliver programming that enables artistic risk-taking and innovation or for service organisations devolved funding and /or development programs to build sector sustainability
- For service organisations, demonstrate provision of unique services that are needed by a defined arts and/or cultural sector
- Strategic plan
- Application form assessment questions
- Artistic and/or service program

#### *Diversity and Participation (25%)*

- Prioritise First Nations arts, culture, communities and self-determined practice
- Ensure access to and engagement with arts and cultural activity for the NSW arts sector and/or audiences
- Develop and deliver engagement strategies for growth, diversity and participation across NSW, including with strategic priority areas
- Strategic plan
- Application form assessment questions
- Artistic and/or service program

#### *Career Pathways (10%)*

- Engage, support, develop and promote NSW arts and cultural workers, including creating pipelines for young workers and leaders
- Demonstrate First Nations self-determination by providing opportunities for First Nations creatives and arts and cultural workers
- Strategic plan
- Application form assessment questions
- Artistic and/or service program

## Arts Ecology

**Please provide a description of the unique role the organisation plays in the NSW arts ecology \***

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Must be no more than 500 words.

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You may wish to consider: your role as a leader, the support you provide for NSW content, the programming that delivers social as well as cultural value and any unique services.

### Strategic Priorities

**Confirm that your program engages with all of the following strategic priority areas \***

- First Nations stories and communities
- Western Sydney and/or regional NSW
- Next generation of creatives and audiences
- Broad and inclusive communities and content
- Accessibility and equity

It is expected that all 4 + 4 year applicants will engage with all the above priority areas.

**Describe how you will deliver on the above NSW strategic priorities \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

### Strategic and Artistic Plans

You can click the links below to download a strategic plan template as well as access the strategic plan support document:

- [Strategic plan template](#)
- [Strategic plan help guide](#)

**Upload your strategic plan here \***

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

You can [click here](#) to download a template of an artistic plan.

**Please upload both your 2025 artistic plan and 2026 artistic plan \***

Attach a file:

There are to be 2 artistic plans attached. One for 2025 and one for 2026.

## Assessment Criteria (Page 2)

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### Assessment Criteria: Organisational Sustainability

#### Essential Criteria & Weighting

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### Specific information or evidence to be provided

#### Information/ Source

*Organisational Sustainability (25%)*

Organisations must demonstrate good governance, safe workplaces and strong financial management

- Strategic plan
- Artistic plan
- Audited accounts
- Detailed budget
- Risk matrix

### Budget Information

Organisations can apply for a minimum of \$400,000 and a maximum of \$6,000,000 each year. Please note the amount requested will be the **same amount** you are applying for the first three years of the program.

Here is a [template](#) which has been provided to assist you with calculating the below costs.

#### Total Amount Requested

\*

\$

What is the total financial support you are requesting under this grant?

#### Total program cost \*

\$

The total program cost should be the total costs for your organisation for 2026. This should be 12 months of operations and programming for a single calendar year.

### Please update the amount requested

You have indicated that the total amount requested is not in line with the minimum and/or maximum amounts.

Please update the details to ensure that you are requesting the correct amount.

### Budget comments

#### Is there anything you wish to tell us about your budget?

Word count:

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Must be no more than 300 words.

### Income

#### 2025 (Year 1)

Create NSW Multi-year funding \*

\$

This is your current funding.

Other NSW Government Funding including project and strategic funding \*

\$

Non-NSW Government Funding including Creative Australia \*

\$

Donation and Sponsorship \*

\$

In-kind support \*

\$

Performance / Exhibition / Core Activity \*

\$

All Other income including any other comprehensive income \*

\$

Total income (2025) \*

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

#### 2026 (Year 2)

Create NSW Multi-year funding \*

\$

This is the amount you are requesting in this application.

Other NSW Government Funding including project and strategic funding \*

\$

Non-NSW Government Funding including Creative Australia \*

\$

Donation and Sponsorship \*

\$

In-kind support \*

\$

Performance / Exhibition / Core Activity \*

\$

All Other income including any other comprehensive income \*

\$

Total income (2026) \*

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

### Expenditure

#### 2025 (Year 1)

Wages, salaries and fees including on-costs and allowances \*

\$

Direct program and production costs including travel and accommodation \*

\$

Publication and Marketing \*

\$

Administration / venue / occupancy expenses \*

\$

Aboriginal protocols \*

\$

#### 2026 (Year 2)

Wages, salaries and fees including on-costs and allowances \*

\$

Direct program and production costs including travel and accommodation \*

\$

Publication and Marketing \*

\$

Administration / venue / occupancy expenses \*

\$

Aboriginal protocols \*

\$

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This includes Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP), Welcome to Country and Elders fees.

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**Accessibility Expenses \***

\$

**Accessibility Expenses \***

\$

**In-kind Expenses \***

\$

**In-kind Expenses \***

\$

**Total expenditure (2025)**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**Total expenditure (2026)**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**Surplus (Deficit) 2025**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**Surplus (Deficit) 2026**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

## Statement of financial position

**When is your end of financial year? \***

Must be either 30/6/2023 or 31/12/2023

## Financial Statements

**Please upload your most recent audited accounts (June or December 2023) here \***

Attach a file:

If your audited accounts include other controlled entities, then the figures entered into SmartyGrants should include them rather than just the parent entity.

**Please upload your balance sheet as at 30 June 2024 \***

Attach a file:

## Assets

Please provide the figures below as at 30 June 2024.

**Cash and cash equivalent \***

\$

**Other current assets \***

\$

**Noncurrent assets \***

\$

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### Total assets

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

### Liabilities

Please provide the figures below as at 30 June 2024.

#### Current Liabilities \*

\$

#### Non current Liabilities \*

\$

#### Total Liabilities \*

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

### Equity

Please provide the figures below as at 30 June 2024.

#### Unrestricted Reserves \*

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

#### Restricted Reserves \*

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

## Outcomes

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### Your Organisation's Metrics

#### Is your organisation led by First Nations people of NSW? \*

- Yes - NSW First Nations Led Organisation
- Yes - First Nations-led group
- Yes - First Nations Collective, or
- Yes - First Nations Institution that focuses on cultural expression, arts, and community development.
- No
- No - First Nations board members/directors only
- No - senior staff only

#### How many permanent staff (headcount) will you employ in 2025? \*

#### How many permanent staff (headcount) will you employ in 2026? \*

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**How many audiences/attendees do you project for 2025? \***

**How many audiences/attendees do you project for 2026? \***

## Declaration and Authorisation

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### Declaration

The applicant represents and warrants that this application has been submitted by an authorised representative of the organisation (e.g. CEO, Chief Financial Officer, General Manager, Director, Chair of the Board, President, authorised manager etc).

Where this application is submitted in the course of employment by a representative of any kind (e.g. authorised representative or agent) of the applicant, you:

(i) acknowledge and agree that the applicant is deemed to be jointly and separately bound by this application; and

(ii) represent and warrant that you have the authority to represent and bind the applicant as contemplated by this provision.

By submitting this application form I hereby declare that:

- I have read and understood each of the acknowledgements, agreements, representations and warranties provided above, and that each of these are true and correct;
- All information provided including the responses to each question in the relevant sections of this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge;
- Any information contained in this application may be disclosed to other Government agencies, staff administering the program, and to external stakeholders (including consultants, lawyers and other advisers) as part of the assessment of this application;
- I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of, and have the authority to represent and bind the applicant;
- I understand that any false declaration may render this application ineligible/invalid; and
- All relevant conflicts of interest have been declared.

### Authorisation

**I agree \***

Yes

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**Name of authorised person \***

Title      First Name      Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

**Position \***

Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

**Phone number \***

Must be an Australian phone number.

We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

**Email \***

Must be an email address.