

Explaining who can apply and how they can be contracted– this is a guide only.

For detailed information on ABN and legal status please seek expert advice.

Entity Type	Description	Examples	If successful
Individual	An individual with a registered Sole Trader ABN or private company ABN (only if the individual is the sole director)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A painter who exhibits regularly and sells paintings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can enter into an agreement with Create NSW as an Individual Must have a sole Trader ABN or private company (only if the individual is sole director) ABN and a nominated bank account* Can provide details of a funds administrator who will be contracted by Create NSW
Partnership	Two or more individuals who do business together as partners and/or receive income jointly with a registered Partnership ABN.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A two-person performance group that perform regularly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An individual on behalf of the partnership can enter into an agreement with Create NSW Must be named as a partner and have a registered partnership ABN and a nominated bank account* Can provide details of a funds administrator who will be contracted by Create NSW
Group/Cooperative/ Ensemble	Two or more individuals working together on a project. These entities do not usually have legal status.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An artist-led gallery cooperative which sets up in a shop front 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An individual can enter into an agreement with Create NSW on their members' behalf, with a sole trader ABN and a nominated bank account* Can provide details of a funds administrator who will be contracted by Create NSW
Organisation Not-For-Profit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Not-For-Profit (NFP) Organisation registered under the Corporations Act 2001 (administered by the ASIC) Incorporated Association, Not-For-Profit registered in NSW through the Dept of Fair Trade and the Associations Incorporation Act 2009. A Local Government Authority (LGA) Business unit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theatre company managed by a board of industry experts An LGA business unit can be the local gallery or museum or team with a focus on arts and culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can enter into an agreement with Create NSW as an Organisation Must have an Organisation ABN and nominated bank account* A Local Government Authority (Council) Business unit can use the Council's ABN.

Organisation For-Profit	A For-Profit Organisation registered as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private Company (Pty Ltd) with more than one director Public Company (Ltd) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A registered private company that operates as a commercial gallery. A publishing company that operates as a for-profit business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can enter into an agreement with Create NSW as an Organisation if For-Profit Organisations are eligible to apply. Not eligible for Create NSW Multi-year funding Eligible for Regional Arts Touring, Cultural Access and Creative Nations Project funding
Unincorporated Association	A group of people with a common purpose without legal status. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unincorporated associations and other organisations without legal status separate from their members cannot be contracted directly by Create NSW. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A multi-arts group that combines visual art, theatre and music. Has no formal registration or legal status. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An individual can enter into an agreement with Create NSW on their members' behalf, with a sole trader ABN and nominated bank account* Can provide details of a funds administrator who will be contracted by Create NSW
Indigenous Corporations	Local Aboriginal Land Councils and Indigenous Corporations registered under the CATSI (Corporations Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006. These corporations are designed to support the economic, social, and cultural development of First Nations communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Aboriginal Lands Council First Nations Art Centre supporting First Nations Arts and Culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can enter into an agreement with Create NSW as an Organisation: This means that the First Nations corporation can be formally contracted to receive funding or support from Create NSW. Must have an Organisation ABN and a nominated bank account*: This means the First Nations corporation needs to have a registered ABN and a bank account to manage the funds received from Create NSW grants or contracts.

*The Nominated Bank Account must be a separate account at a financial institution used solely for the Grant, or an existing general account at a financial institution where adequate internal financial controls are in place to identify the Grant.

To apply for an ABN: [Register for ABN Online | Apply Now](#)

Information from ATO is here [Legal structures for not-for-profits | Australian Taxation Office](#)

Information about associations is here: [About associations | NSW Fair Trading](#)

[Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations](#) (ORIC): Provides resources and support for First Nations corporations, including registration and governance advice.