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Festivals Australia grant recipients—National summary of projects— Round 13 September 2021

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SA	Adelaide Festival Centre	<i>Adelaide Guitar Festival 'On The Road'</i>	An inclusive and progressive regional and remote South Australian music series that operates across three streams; wellbeing, education and regional engagement.	Adelaide Guitar Festival	\$46,500
NT	Artback NT	<i>Women's Cultural Song Project</i>	A collaboration between the Borroloola Women's Choir and the Tiwi Strong Women's Choir focusing on cultural exchange and professional development. The final performance will feature both choirs, singing separately and together, and in multiple languages.	Malandarri Festival	\$83,520
WA	Arts Margaret River	<i>Fringe Program</i>	The Fringe program will work with five new and emerging regional and remote artists to co-create new multi-arts works, creating space for the artists to show their work and gain audience feedback.	Margaret River Readers & Writers Festival	\$20,000
TAS	Australian Wooden Boat Festival	<i>Celebrating Tasmanian ningher Watercraft - A Living Art Form</i>	The design and production of a Tasmanian ningher bark canoe by a leading Tasmanian Aboriginal boat builder. The project will involve Aboriginal youths, facilitating generational knowledge transfer.	Australian Wooden Boat Festival	\$42,000

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VIC	Bendigo Queer Arts Festival (for Bendigo Queer Film Festival)	<i>Outland 10 years on</i>	Two writers of the sitcom <i>Outland</i> will discuss their experience making the show and reflect on what has changed and still needs to change in LGBTIQ+ representation on the small screen.	Bendigo Queer Film Festival 2022	\$11,712
TAS	Big hART	<i>When Water Falls</i>	A media rich performance of music and digital content exploring the artists' relationships with water. This project presents place-based content co-created and inspired by young people.	PANAMA	\$41,400
QLD	Bloomin Beautiful Blackbutt Festival Incorporated	<i>Resilience through Laughter: Youth & Community Workshop & Performance Program</i>	Youth and adult group participants will co-design two performances for the festival, incorporating performance, clown and comedy skills development.	Blackbutt Avocado Festival	\$27,498
NSW	Boorowa Business Chamber Incorporated	<i>Shifting Sheep</i>	A 'Sheep Art Trail' will be created by inviting local artists to paint designs on life-size resin sheep that will be located at various sites throughout Boorowa and surrounding villages/communities.	Boorowa Irish Woolfest	\$7,060
WA	Bunuba Cultural Conservation Institute Limited	<i>Danggu Cultural Performance</i>	Led by cultural practitioners, elders, knowledge custodians, language speakers, dancers, singers and musicians, with Bunuba youth, the project integrates the theatrical presentation of cultural stories with traditional Junba.	Yajilarra Festival 2022	\$130,180
NSW	Byron Youth Service	<i>Youth Stage Mentorship and Artist Development Project</i>	This project supports 12 emerging young musicians to be mentored by internationally successful artists. Participants will also present quality music performances during the festival.	Byron Music Festival	\$46,000
QLD	Cairns Italian Festival	<i>Ancient Rome: The Empire that Shaped the World</i>	The exhibition 'Ancient Rome: The Empire that Shaped the World' will be brought to Cairns to coincide with Multicultural Queensland Month and the inaugural Cairns Italian Festival.	Cairns Italian Festival	\$40,000

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VIC	Castlemaine State Festival Ltd	<i>Dialogues 2022 Special Program</i>	A celebration of Australian writing, storytelling and community from a Central Victorian viewpoint. It will showcase Australian literary talent alongside Australia's most progressive thinkers, in international dialogue.	Castlemaine State Festival	\$35,797
NT	Central Australian Singing Incorporated	<i>Marliya Choir Performance Tour to Desert Song Festival 2022</i>	Marliya Choir, will present their show 'Spinifex Gum'. Collaborating on 'From the Desert to the Arafura Sea', they will visit a remote community and will conduct workshops in Central Australian schools.	Desert Song Festival	\$68,600
QLD	Central Highlands Music Festival Incorporated	<i>Central Highlands Music Festival Gala Concert</i>	This project features one invited professional, two expert conductors and almost 300 local musicians in a showcase of talent. The gala is prepared throughout the year, and then put together and rehearsed in the festival week.	Central Highlands Festival of Bands and Choirs	\$15,000
VIC	Chillout Daylesford Incorporated	<i>Carnival Stage for a Covid-Safe Festival</i>	A Covid-safe day of artistic performances on the Carnival Stage.	ChillOut Festival	\$24,960
WA	City of Albany	<i>From the shadows and into the light</i>	A community engagement program delivering lantern and shadow puppetry workshops with three artists-in-residence. A shadow puppet theatre, photo booth and lanterns will create a large scale installation of light creatures.	Albany Maritime Festival 2022	\$38,666
WA	City of Karratha	<i>Circus Feast</i>	Helping circus enthusiasts to develop their skills and then perform spectacular circus feats, through circus artists-in-residence, circus skills development workshops, a circus showcase, as well as free performances.	Red Earth Arts Festival 2022	\$79,784
VIC	Colac Kana Festival Incorporated	<i>Kana Community Stage</i>	The Kana Community Stage will provide free entertainment and announcements to the attendees of the Festival. Kana will supply a marquee enclosed stage, with sound system suitable for the expected audience.	Colac Kana Festival	\$5,000

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VIC	Creswick Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated	<i>Creswick Sings</i>	A community choir giving local singers a vehicle for participation. Singers from Creswick and surrounds will grow self-confidence and community connectedness through a series of rehearsals culminating in a performance on the Town Hall stage.	CresFest	\$10,150
VIC	Creswick Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated	<i>Stories of Us</i>	Four diverse shows will focus on stories with special meaning for Australian audiences, from 'Waltzing Matilda' to 'Life in Lockdown'.	CresFest	\$12,300
QLD	Darling Downs Irish Club Incorporated	<i>Irish Jigs and Reels</i>	The Ceilidh Irish dance workshop will be led by two experienced Irish Dance instructors. The Bodhran workshop will be presented by a renowned Irish percussionist. Attendees will showcase their skills by performing on stage.	Toowoomba Languages and Cultures Festival	\$3,530
NT	Darwin Community Arts	<i>Woven Through Country</i>	A workshop into weaving practices lead by senior traditional weavers, sharing the processes that lead to creating a hand-woven object.	Daminmin Art and Cultural Festival	\$16,000
NSW	Dashville	<i>Young Gums Youth Mentorship 2022</i>	Ten young people from regional NSW will be chosen to be part of a five day festival mentorship program. The program will include music industry workshops, one-on-one mentoring sessions, and a collaborative live performance as part of the festival closing ceremony.	The Gum Ball Music and Arts Festival	\$56,075
SA	District Council of Tumby Bay	<i>Colour Tumby Street Art</i>	Five renowned street artists will transform a plain wall within the town into a piece of art, attracting spectators during the festival who will watch the art coming together.	Tumby Bay Festivals	\$36,000
VIC	Film Festivals Australia	<i>PLFF Filmmaking Workshop</i>	A free workshop inviting filmmakers to attend and hear from industry leaders. The workshop is a mix of speaker-led and interactive Q&As, followed by a hands-on filmmaking experience.	Perfect Light Film Festival	\$10,000

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SA	Fringe Mount Gambier	<i>Fringe OUTREACH</i>	Fringe art experiences will be taken directly to aged community members living regionally, who experience barriers to accessing and participating in art events and experiences.	Mount Gambier Fringe Festival	\$9,000
WA	Gascoyne in May Inc. (Rebranding to CREALITY)	<i>CONTOURS</i>	Three dancers guided by a fourth Custodian will initiate 'dialogue' with 12 remote insitu locations in the Gascoyne. Indigenous Grandmothers, their daughters and community will collaborate.	Gascoyne Travelling Arts Festival	\$142,000
WA	Gascoyne in May Inc. (Rebranding to CREALITY)	<i>CREATURA</i>	A ten meter fire-breathing dragon puppet, CREATURA, will headline at six live collective events which are accessible, inspiring and free to all people of the Gascoyne.	Gascoyne Travelling Arts Festival	\$87,391
TAS	Glenorchy City Council	<i>Lumi, First Nation Arena and Kinship Program</i>	This project will see local Aboriginal and Pacifica community producers develop key performances and art works.	Moonah Taste of the World	\$33,023
NSW	GLOBE HBH Pty Ltd ATF GT Family Trust & EarthStar Holdings Pty Ltd ATF EarthStar Family Trust	<i>Workshops & Performances Culminating at Broken Heel Festival's Free Main Street Saturday Program</i>	A variety of workshops resulting in free public events in the Town Square and concluding with the street parade. The workshops will be conducted by talented Divas from the LGBTIQA+ and local artists.	Broken Heel Festival	\$60,420
QLD	Great Barrier Reef Festival Incorporated	<i>Immerse Whitsundays - Heart of the Great Barrier Reef</i>	A series of art installations will transform the Airlie Beach foreshore into a Great Barrier Reef themed visual focal point. Eight workshops will create the installations, which will be a combination of reef-themed animations and sculptures of marine creatures.	Great Barrier Reef Festival	\$43,546
QLD	Gurindji Aboriginal Corporation	<i>Cultural Program/Concert</i>	A cultural program/concert that showcases Indigenous culture, with a focus on traditional and contemporary dance and ceremony. This project will introduce high-calibre Indigenous performers to a local audience.	Freedom Day Festival	\$49,500

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SA	Hahndorf Academy Foundation Incorporated	<i>Luku Kukuku</i>	The artist Luku will build on software he has developed to create a projected installation piece at the Hahndorf Academy. It will manipulate live images of the audience to encourage interaction with the artwork.	Adelaide Fringe Festival	\$17,500
SA	Hahndorf Academy Foundation Incorporated	<i>Nomenclatures</i>	The postcard series looks at the dual names of places and towns. The artist Baylis will incorporate local objects and stories from the museum into his exhibition. Workshops will help children plant a native food garden and learn about native food and nutrition.	History Festival	\$14,000
QLD	Injune District Tourism Association	<i>Crack Up Kids</i>	The Crack up Sisters will be engaged to host workshops with children and youth. They will also perform several circus performances to further promote this art form to the children and youth in attendance.	Injune Centenary	\$6,955
QLD	Integreat Queensland Incorporated	<i>Ignite Community Art - A multi-cultural mobile art installation</i>	This project will engage artists in glass, resin, recycled art and Indigenous painting to create approximately 120 pieces of art in community workshops facilitated by artists in Central Queensland communities.	Flourish in Gladstone	\$75,000
TAS	Junction Arts Festival	<i>Soliloquy 2022</i>	A multi-artform project for young people/emerging artists. A mapped projection installation comprising five minute soliloquies of recorded spoken narratives combined with a mapped digital projection of video, stills, sounds and colours.	Junction Arts Festival	\$95,000
NSW	Kiarama Pty Ltd	<i>2022 Kiarama Music and Arts Capacity Building Workshops</i>	A two-day capacity building workshop program that will invite regionally-based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island young, emerging musicians, and industry workers to learn from, share, and network with leading industry professionals.	Kiarama	\$45,400
NSW	Kyogle Writers Festival	<i>Crossing</i>	This project captures locals reading poetry on timber bridges which hold significant community memories and are being replaced as a local infrastructure project.	Kyogle Writers Festival 2022	\$21,000

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NSW	Lennox Head Residents' Inc. Heritage Committee	<i>1922 Lennox Head Estate Auction re-enactment</i>	A re-enactment 'auction' of the first four lots of land offered at the 1922 LH Estate Auction based on historical facts with creative twists. A local performer, script writer, director and musician will design the re-enactment.	Lennox 2022 Centenary	\$15,479
QLD	Mackay Regional Council	<i>Wonder Rooms</i>	Local and QLD-based artists will be supported to convert shipping containers into art exhibits. The containers will travel across the region, taking the Festival to more remote communities.	Mackay Festival of Arts	\$50,000
WA	Mara Art Aboriginal Corporation trading as Yamaji Art	<i>Dome Theatre featuring Star Dreaming</i>	The mobile FullDome Theatre will screen <i>Star Dreaming</i> , a 180-degree immersive feature film wherein scientists and Indigenous artists reveal the mysteries of the universe.	Shore Leave Festival	\$49,146
QLD	Marnock Sisters Cultural & Creative Industries Limited	<i>Fashions By The Sea</i>	A presentation of Aboriginal culture and history told through storytelling and interpreted through music, song, dance, catwalk modelling choreographed routines, Aboriginal textiles and wearable art collections.	Milbi Festival - Bundaberg, Queensland	\$48,478
NSW	Moogahlin Performing Arts Incorporated	<i>Ba-wun - Spirit, Identity, Belonging and Becoming</i>	A series of masterclasses/workshops over ten weeks culminating in a curated visual promenade event. Senior artists will collaborate with the community/ community artists.	Baiame's Ngunnhu Festival	\$50,000
WA	Mt Barker Mountains and Murals Incorporated	<i>Walldog Murals</i>	Six large scale public art murals celebrating the history of Mount Barker and the Shire of Plantagenet will be created and painted. The murals will include significant persons, places and events that have defined the Shire of Plantagenet.	Mountains and Murals Festival	\$34,860
QLD	Noosa Film Academy Pty Ltd as Trustee for the Huglin Family Trust	<i>Pinnacle Playhouse Community Digital Screen Production 3-day weekend Workshop and Red Carpet Community Screening Event</i>	Three day workshop for participants to engage in screen production and vocational and tertiary pathway advice. Participants create content for their portfolios and have their work screened at a special community event.	Mackay Youth Film Festival	\$4,750

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NSW	Nymboida Canoeing Ltd t/a Nymboida Camping and Canoeing Centre	<i>Flourish! with dirtgirlworld – growing fire ready families</i>	A day of recovery and resilience building for young families. Games and nature scavenger hunts meet spoken word mashups to explore how families can prepare for emergency events.	Clarence Valley Camp Oven Festival	\$11,000
QLD	Opera Queensland	<i>Festival of Outback Opera</i>	A concert with some of Australia's leading performing artists, performing the songs of Mozart, Bizet, Rossini and Rodgers and Hammerstein to name a few.	Festival of Outback Opera	\$18,293
NSW	Orange Chamber Music Festival Incorporated	<i>Cultured</i>	A series of outdoor and indoor performances by local students and professional artists. The Art Gallery and Museum will host solo musicians, pairing art and heritage displays with music performances, relevant to their current exhibitions.	Orange Chamber Music Festival 2022	\$13,850
WA	Ord Valley Events Incorporated	<i>Art in the Park (AIP)</i>	A curated open-air gallery shining a spotlight on 30 Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists. Workshops will bring youth and elders together to paint long banners that will be used as cultural decorations for the 10 day festival.	Ord Valley Muster	\$17,515
NSW	Pambula Wetlands and Heritage Project Incorporated	<i>Creative communities</i>	A workshop program delivered by six well-known local artists. Participants will be able to choose from a diverse range of art offerings providing an opportunity for the artists to showcase their skills.	Ephemeral Festival 2022	\$6,350
TAS	People of Pangaea	<i>Circus Town</i>	A space dedicated to the creative talents of local artists. The project will include acrobats, comedians, sideshow legends, family shows, workshops, rovers, flying trapeze, a kids disco, late night cabarets, and stunts.	Circus Town	\$46,506
NT	Red Dirt Poetry Festival	<i>Poetry in Motion II</i>	The development of the partnership between an Alice Springs-based dance company and poets to create moving poetry pieces for performance. This project will require poets and dancers to collaborate in both Alice Springs and on online spaces.	Red Dirt Poetry Festival	\$22,000

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NSW	Red Floor Productions Pty Ltd, Trading as Dashville	<i>House of Big Dreams</i>	A curated and supervised area within the festival arena, dedicated towards learning and participation of children through direct engagement with various art forms of music, dance, circus, visual arts, storytelling and self-expression.	The Gum Ball Music & Arts Festival	\$21,400
NSW	Red Floor Productions Pty Ltd, Trading as Dashville	<i>Dashville Progress Society - Ensemble Spectacular</i>	A group performance project featuring a cast of approximately 20 regional musicians, songwriters and other artists who will co-curate, rehearse and execute a major live performance piece.	The Gum Ball Music and Arts Festival	\$10,900
NSW	River of Art Incorporated	<i>Luminous Art After Dark</i>	An outdoor digital community arts event. Trees and installations are illuminated, stalls showcase artwork and artisans, intertwined with roving performers and kids' activities.	River of Art	\$46,000
TAS	Salamanca Arts Centre	<i>UTOPIA program for young people and families</i>	An arts program for young people, including performances, an interactive hybrid art and performance installation created by young people in collaboration with professional artists.	Winter Light	\$52,050
VIC	Shepparton Arts Festival Incorporated	<i>THRIVING</i>	An audio-visual-tactile public art installation amalgamating traditional Yorta Yorta First Nations practices with cutting-edge digital techniques. This project will also involve tactile Braille elements.	Shepparton Arts Festival	\$71,670
NSW	Tamara Maree Campbell	<i>The People's Lighthouse</i>	A multi-part project that includes the building of a 20 metre high replica lighthouse and a curated projection of lights, images, and storytelling on the lighthouse.	The KISS Arts Festival	\$51,100
TAS	Ten Days on the Island	<i>Shorewell Presents... Take 3</i>	This project showcases the gold that lies beneath the surface for residents of Shorewell Park, one of Australia's ten most disadvantaged neighbourhoods. Films will debunk myths of a successful life in Australia.	Ten Days on the Island	\$26,000

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TAS	Ten Days on the Island	<i>Hide the Dog</i>	A trans-Tasman theatre creation celebrating the power of First Nations culture. Hobart's Hedberg Studio will be transformed into a magical world with elaborate costumes, projections and special effects.	Ten Days on the Island	\$42,036
TAS	Ten Days on the Island	<i>mana (our) birth</i>	A theatre work that will draw from Greek legends, palawa and lutruwita/ Tasmania's shared historical and contemporary stories.	Ten Days on the Island	\$70,000
SA	The Rural City of Murray Bridge	<i>Live Music in the Attic</i>	A room in the Murray Bridge Town Hall will be converted into a live music venue. With a capacity of 50 people, this space will be host to a variety of smaller scale musical performances.	Murray Bridge Fringe	\$15,000
QLD	Torres Shire Council	<i>The Torres Strait Gallery @ WOZCF</i>	A Pop-up Art Gallery will be created during the Winds of Zenadth Cultural Festival to provide selected artists an opportunity to share their work on a nationally recognised stage.	The Winds of Zenadth Cultural Festival	\$117,884
VIC	UNO Events Pty Ltd	<i>Headliner Talent Acquisition for Coastal Jam 2022</i>	Australia's best musical talent will be showcased to regional audiences through headliner talent bookings.	Coastal Jam 2022 Series	\$55,110
NSW	Vanfest Pty Ltd	<i>Indigenous Youth Workshop & Performance by Indigenous Artist Budjerah</i>	Musical workshops and a final performance will provide creative and up-skilling opportunities to Aboriginal youths while connecting them with well-respected Indigenous industry creatives.	Vanfest 2022	\$36,905
TAS	Vibrance Festival Pty Ltd	<i>Live Art Performance and Graffiti Film Night</i>	An outdoor cinema, in a carpark, screening a seminal graffiti film will provide a unique event for festival goers. The setting will be decorated by murals and include live entertainment.	Vibrance 2023	\$17,450
VIC	Wangaratta Festival of Jazz Incorporated	<i>Community Stage Invigoration</i>	A collaboration between professional artists and a range of amateur musicians from the Wangaratta community and surrounds performing on the community stage.	Wangaratta Festival of Jazz & Blues	\$32,025

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VIC	WinterWild	<i>The Dogwatch</i>	A blend of local myths, heritage and ancient tales producing an expression of local creativity and community collaboration. Participants will teach, learn and experience a celebration of the Victorian West Coast's winter.	WinterWild	\$29,600
VIC	WinterWild	<i>Pieces of Cake</i>	A collection of four installations, featuring mechatronics, robotics and sculpture, in various locations of Apollo Bay.	WinterWild	\$12,995
NSW	Yours & Owls Events	<i>The Opening Ceremony</i>	The ceremony will incorporate elements of the Chinese holiday and tell stories of the Yuin Nation and the Jerrinja people. It will include a performance involving moving installations, live orchestral music, literature and sport.	Down By The River Festival	\$50,000