



# RISE Fund grant recipients—Batch seven summary of projects

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| **State / Territory** | **Recipient** | **Project title** | **Project description** | **Amount funded ($) (excl GST)** |
| ACT | Canberra Glassworks | Television transformation project: waste TV screens reimagined | This project assembles a team of creative problem solvers including artists, craftspeople, and technicians to design and make artworks and products using waste TV screens. | $143,000 |
| NSW | Voices of Women Incorporated | Voices of Women Entanglement Amplify | A storytelling tour, designed to support and strengthen female culture and regional tourism in the rural hubs of Dubbo, Wagga Wagga and Goulburn in NSW. | $25,000 |
| NSW | Branch Nebula Inc | Development and tour of a new physical theatre production, Air Time | Development and presentation of a choreographed hour-long street-style performance called Air Time utilising custom-made ramps that launch bodies, bikes and skateboards high into the air. | $400,000 |
| NSW | Newcastle Live Music Taskforce | Sound Station Music Festival | Sound Station Festival is an all-ages free music festival to celebrate Newcastle’s live music industry over the past five decades and support local live music. | $26,500 |
| NSW | Subsonic Music Festival Pty Ltd | Relaunch of multi day Subsonic Music Festival in regional NSW | Funding will enable Subsonic to reactivate its multi day regional music festival in Riverwood Downs NSW, bolstering employment as the region’s largest annual economic activity. | $280,000 |
| NSW | Griffin Theatre Company | Griffin Theatre Company Digital Season | Six new Australian productions filmed in partnership between Griffin Theatre Company and Australian Theatre Live, for regional and rural cinema screening and Video-on-Demand access. | $307,640 |
| NSW | The Trustee for Empire Touring Trust | Empire Touring Theatre Series | The best Australian performers are brought together to pay tribute to the world’s best – Rolling Stones, Nirvana, John Lennon and David Bowie, in 23 destination locations throughout the nation.  | $600,000 |
| NSW | Performing Lines Ltd | Hide the Dog Tour | Hide the Dog is a new First Nations theatre production for children. Previously impacted by COVID, a new tour is now planned. | $110,776 |
| NSW | Australian Society of Authors Ltd | Digital infrastructure development to build capacity, inform and support Australian authors and illustrators | Structural upgrade of the ASA’s digital capacity to deliver support and skills development Australia-wide, building long-term financial viability of the organisation and members. | $282,940 |
| NSW | Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre (Liverpool City Council) | The Way Out West (WOW) Festival | The return of Casula Powerhouse’s WOW (Way Out West) Festival, where children, young people and their families enjoy the arts and entertainment together. | $80,000 |
| NSW | Riverside's National Theatre of Parramatta | Choir Boy - Production, Regional Tour and Mentorship program | A new production and regional tour of music theatre piece Choir Boy by Academy-Award winner Tarell Alvin McCraney, with a mentorship program | $325,000 |
| NSW | Australian Theatre for Young People | Fresh Ink: investing in new Australian stories | Re-starting the commission of four new Australian works paused during COVID-19. This project will employ artists, enhance professional development and engagement opportunities for emerging writers and dramaturgs. | $275,000 |
| NSW | Christine Dunstan Productions Pty Ltd | National Tour of Colleen McCullough's TIM | 23 week tour of the play TIM, playing 34 theatres across seven states and territories. | $400,000 |
| NSW | Blue Mountains City Council - Blue Mountains Cultural Centre | TOWNSHIP - Arts Activation Project | A multi-arts celebration connecting Blue Mountains villages, leveraging the best of the region's cultural assets with a focus on local creatives, communities, and cultural spaces. | $91,107 |
| NSW | LPD Productions | A National Tour of RENT | A 2023 eighteen-week national tour of RENT across regional and metropolitan Australia. | $713,950 |
| NSW | Sweet Media | Little Festival | An ephemeral arts festival celebrating small scale and miniature outdoor street art installations in and around Newcastle CBD. | $57,770 |
| NSW | Signal Creative LLC | Outback Fashion Series 2022 | A public presentation of original textile designs, garments and accessories designed and crafted by women in outback NSW. | $48,426 |
| NSW | 2S Entertainment Pty Ltd | Inverted Festival | A new Australian all-ages youth-music event on the Gold Coast, featuring diverse cultural displays and performances celebrating modern Australian youth-culture. | $320,000 |
| NSW | Kiama Music & Arts Pty Ltd | Clearly Music & Arts Festival | An annual music, art and workshop event that highlights the rich culture of Kiama. | $100,000 |
| NSW | Andrée Greenwel | Three Marys | A new chamber opera. The project involves premier performance season, recording for radio broadcast, and online. Featuring four vocalists, teen choir, eight-piece ensemble and sound design. | $250,466 |
| NSW | City Recital Hall Limited | City Recital Hall: Revitalising Sydney’s CBD with popular contemporary music | City Recital Hall’s innovative contemporary music program will revitalise Sydney night-time economy, focusing on youth, tourism and generating crucial income for musicians, industry professionals and surrounding businesses. | $390,000 |
| NSW | All The Queens Men Inc | Coming Back Out Australia 2022 | Coming Back Out Australia is a long-term national creative initiative celebrating older LGBTIQ+ communities and will include 40 national events, monthly Dance Clubs and developing a digital and online presence. | $249,200 |
| NSW | Deniliquin Play on the Plains Festival Ltd | Deni Ute Muster | Deni Ute Muster is a recurring two-day, tier-1, closed venue event, which provides significant economic, strategic and social benefits to the Southern Riverina region of NSW. | $400,000 |
| NT | Central Australian Singing Incorporated (CAS Inc) | Presenting the Olive Pink Opera | The Olive Pink Opera created by award-winning Australian Composer and Music Educator Professor Emerita Anne Boyd AM - an exquisite operatic performance in the Desert. | $164,500 |
| NT | Darwin performing Arts Centre | Garrmalang Presents... | Garrmalang Presents... will deliver a number of First Nations events, sector development programs and other activities, as well as the Garrmalang Festival. | $304,345 |
| NT | The Darwin Festival Ltd | Darwin Festival 2022: Amphitheatre Concert Series and Sunset Stage Program | Darwin Festival will present a dynamic program of live performances activating two iconic outdoor venues: the Darwin Amphitheatre and the Sunset Stage. | $482,400 |
| NT | GUTS Dance // Central Australia | FROM THE INSIDE OUT - growth, recognition and engagement with dance in the desert. | GUTS will create local, sustainable employment and help boost the creative economy through generating new contemporary dance works and expanding programs in Mparntwe/Alice Springs, NT. | $275,728 |
| QLD | Star Kingdom Investments Pty Ltd | Brisbane City Film Society | This project establishes a Brisbane City Film Society to showcase significant new films while also presenting local work-in-progress screenings and building a community. | $100,000 |
| QLD | DeepBlue Orchestra Inc | Song to the Ocean Reimagined as New Cultural Tourism Event | Song to the Ocean reimagined as a mini-festival with a First Nations focus for regional tourist destinations plus a major new Queensland cultural precinct. | $159,341 |
| QLD | Belloo Inc | BREATH | A collaboration between Belloo Creative, Taikoz and QPAC to produce BREATH, a piccolo outdoor performance and a large-scale, mainstage performance. | $121,581 |
| QLD | Just Us Theatre Ensemble | From Campfire to Stagelight | Co-production of a new Indigenous theatrical work From Campfire to Stage Light by David Hudson. | $58,022 |
| QLD | City Parklands Services | Live at South Bank | Live at South Bank is a vibrant live entertainment and place making program aiming to revive live performances from creative industries with a focus on music. | $300,000 |
| QLD | Museum of Brisbane | BAD CREATIVE COMMUNITY | An integrated program of museum-based initiatives and Brisbane city and suburban activations that stimulate dynamic, sustained engagement between artists and communities. | $300,000 |
| QLD | QMUSIC | FiestaNQ | FiestaNQ will reignite North Queensland’s live music sector with a celebration of music events and pop-up performances across iconic venues and public spaces. | $344,900 |
| QLD | Phluxus2 Pty Ltd | Phluxus2 Dance Collective's 2022/23 Artistic Program | Phluxus2 Dance Collective artistic program of creative works and activities. | $150,000 |
| QLD | Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival Inc | Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival 2022 | Australia’s most heart-warming short film festival is back bigger than ever with a new storytelling stage, immersive future of cinema exhibition and a regional tour. | $188,300 |
| QLD | THE ZOOFAM Pty Ltd | 'Let The Music Play' - a music festival in Fortitude Valley presented by The Zoo and Fortitude Music Hall | Let The Music Play is a music festival in Brisbane presented by The Zoo and Fortitude Music Hall. | $128,500 |
| QLD | University of Queensland Art Museum | BLUE ASSEMBLY: OCEANIC THINKING (Season One) | Exhibitions, an online journal, conversations, residencies, screenings, reading groups and public programs, bringing a focus on blue carbon through art. | $77,300 |
| QLD | Major Brisbane Festivals Pty Ltd | Bananaland | Bananaland by Kate Miller-Heidke and Keir Nuttall is an exciting original musical that will engage and employ numerous Australian musicians, actors and creatives. | $200,000 |
| QLD | Flipside Circus Ltd | Brisbane Circus Centre Launch and Activation Program | This project celebrates and activates the new Brisbane Circus Centre at Northshore and supports new work, artists, and professional development. | $381,727 |
| QLD | Neighbourhood Events Pty Ltd | Neighbourhood Sessions Music Festival | A family friendly and COVID-safe music festival, with a focus on placing regional North Queensland artists on the same line-up as more established touring acts. | $56,105 |
| QLD | Grey Gum Productions Pty Ltd | Black Box | Development, world premiere and tour of the innovative new musical telling the story of Australian David Warren, inventor of the black box. | $198,000 |
| QLD | Brisbane Chorale Incorporated | 60th anniversary performance of Benjamin Britten’s ‘War Requiem’ | A gala performance of Benjamin Britten’s ‘War Requiem’ for mass ensemble in the QPAC Concert Hall featuring five Brisbane-based ensembles and acclaimed vocal soloists. | $100,000 |
| QLD | The Trustee for Newpub Family Holdings Trust | Moreton Bay Live | A major new Australian music series, bringing the biggest artists in Australia to Moreton Bay and bringing the audiences to Moreton Bay to see them. | $697,500 |
| QLD | Cloudland the Musical | Cloudland the Musical | The story of Brisbane’s Iconic Cloudland Ballroom told through music and dance and its impact socially and culturally across five decades of its existence. | $136,100 |
| QLD | Metropolis QLD Pty Ltd | Garden City Sounds | An annual one-day music festival in Toowoomba, showcasing national touring artists, as well as emerging and local talent. | $89,000 |
| QLD | Near North Festivals Pty Ltd | Sunshine Coast and Capricorn Coast Comedy Festivals | Sister events to be held in Queensland activating venues and industry right across their respective regions. | $150,000 |
| QLD | Yeehaa Events Pty Ltd | NQ's Rock'n Country 2022 | NQ's Rock'n Country will support over 40 Australian acts to reboot the industry and the careers of emerging artists. | $577,500 |
| SA | Australian Dance Theatre | 'Tracker' by Daniel Riley | Tracker, a multidisciplinary work by Wiradjuri choreographer and ADT’s incoming Artistic Director Daniel Riley, explores the story of his Great Uncle, Alec ‘Tracker’ Riley. | $223,283 |
| SA | State Opera South Australia | Sweeney Todd remount | State Opera South Australia’s production of Stephen Sondheim’s Sweeney Todd will be remounted for a national tour. | $570,274 |
| SA | Insite Arts International | Nharangga - an Indigenous opera | A large-scale theatre work by Nharangga/Kaurna artist Jacob Boehme weaving together multiple Narungga Dreaming stories to tell the creation story of Yorke Peninsula. | $325,000 |
| SA | Light Cultural Foundation Ltd | Powered by Light | A multi-purpose arts venue providing opportunities for artists by nurturing and facilitating unique collaborations, professional development, and job creation. | $200,000 |
| SA | Art Gallery of South Australia | Tarnanthi Art Fair online and associated digital public programs | The Tarnanthi Art Fair online and digital programs presents art by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists from across Australia. | $184,500 |
| SA | Adelaide Festival Corporation | 2023 Adelaide Festival - Verdi's Requiem | A major collaboration between Zurich Ballet (Switzerland) and 200+ Australian artists, crew and staff for Christian Spuck’s MESSA DA REQUIEM for the 2023 Adelaide Festival. | $403,500 |
| SA | The Australian Short Story Festival Inc | The Australian Short Story Festival | A festival dedicated to short stories in written and spoken forms, inclusive of diverse writers from around Australia. | $150,000 |
| TAS | Panama Productions Pty Ltd | A Festival Called PANAMA 2022 | A two-day music and arts event held in Tasmania's North East. | $125,000 |
| TAS | Festival of Voices Inc | Festival of Voices | A re-mount of Australia’s foremost choral festival and reconnection of singing communities. | $112,294 |
| TAS | Warp Magazine Pty Ltd | Establishing and Reconnecting Touring Routes in Regional Tasmania | This project will establish and reconnect contemporary live music touring routes throughout Tasmania, presenting a program of concerts that extend to regional areas. | $133,600 |
| TAS | Vibrance Festival Pty Ltd | Vibrance - Tasmanian Street Art Trail | Vibrance will paint 25 large scale murals across Tasmania with an accompanying online street art map app to promote art tourism in Tasmania. | $208,660 |
| TAS | Australian Wooden Boat Festival | Maritime Stories and Songs of the Sea | This festival will bring maritime storytelling to life with musicians, singers, dramatists, yarners and puppeteers providing live performances across unique festival venues. | $248,708 |
| VIC | J.P. Morgan & C.C. Rust | Tensegrity Creative Development | One Fell Swoop Circus will provide creative and employment outcomes for artists in mid-2022 for a creative development of a new contemporary circus work. | $25,000 |
| VIC | Back to Back Theatre Inc | NORTH SIDE | Back to Back Theatre will develop a project embracing Geelong, presenting a popular work, creating a new community piece and installing a major message beacon. | $394,500 |
| VIC | Theatre Works Ltd | Theatre Works - Ignition Initiative | Rescheduling assistance for Theatre Works' Ignition Initiative to support the reprogramming of postponed RISE funded productions and providing employment for independent artists. Outcomes include high-calibre works, education programs and artist development. | $90,000 |
| VIC | Lucy Guerin Association Inc | LGI First Nations Program | Lucy Guerin Inc will deliver a development program committed to improving representation, opportunities, and career pathways available for First Nations dance artists in Naarm/Melbourne. | $125,148 |
| VIC | Melbourne Art Foundation | Melbourne Design Fair: A Platform for Diversity and Inclusion (MDF: DIP) | Melbourne Design Fair, an initiative of the National Gallery of Victoria in collaboration with Melbourne Art Fair, showcases the best collectible contemporary design by emerging and established Australian designers and makers. | $143,000 |
| VIC | Melbourne Bach Choir Inc | Melbourne Bach Choir concert series 2022-23 | Melbourne Bach Choir will present a series of choral concerts with orchestra and vocal soloists over two years in Melbourne and Ballarat. | $135,000 |
| VIC | IOpera Inc (VIC) | The Rise and Fall of the City of Mahagonny | The first production in over 40 years of Kurt Weill, Bertolt Brecht, and Elisabeth Hauptmann's epic opera Rise and Fall of the City of Mahagonny. | $79,800 |
| VIC | SalamFest Inc | Celebration of the 500 year Muslim-Indigenous relationship | The project rediscovers, honours and celebrates the 500 year old Muslim-Indigenous, cultural and trade relationship, which was based on mutual respect, trust and acceptance. | $307,309 |
| VIC | Albury Wodonga Theatre Company | Let It Go! | A major musical theatre concert at the Albury Entertainment Centre with several performances and featuring local singers, dancers and live band. | $41,448 |
| VIC | Fairfax Youth Initiative | Fairfax Youth Festival | 120+ young people from rural communities work alongside professional artists to create an inspiring and engaging festival for both young people and the Murray Mallee. | $251,114 |
| VIC | Memetica | Deadly Totems | A cross-artform community project in partnership with Willum Warrain Aboriginal Association, to collaboratively create four giant Deadly Totem characters for impactful performance and storytelling. | $49,875 |
| VIC | David Woods | THIS | THIS is the remount of an epic 100 person strong commission from Rising Festival's 2021 programme that was cancelled due to Melbourne's 4th COVID lockdown. | $242,926 |
| VIC | Live Nation Australia Venues Pty Ltd | Palais Theatre 'On Stage' Series | On Stage will support and accelerate the careers for musicians, production crew and students through a series of intimate, on-stage events at the Palais Theatre. | $97,500 |
| VIC | Grapes of Mirth | Grapes of Mirth - The Festival | The biggest names in comedy, the funniest podcasters, and Australia’s finest food and wine experts are coming together for a Festival in the Barossa. | $69,950 |
| VIC | UNIFIED Music Group Pty Ltd | UNIFIED: OFF THE RECORD | A regional showcase and merchandise pop-up store experience with exclusive performances and products designed by artists from the UNIFIED Music Group. | $480,000 |
| VIC | Velodrome Events | Reunion Park | Reunion Park will showcase the city’s finest music, food, arts and entertainment. | $54,191 |
| VIC | R M S Productions Pty Ltd as trustee for the Sydow Family Trust | Ross Wilson's Cool World Tour | A multi-event music tour across regional Australian wineries and venues, featuring Ross Wilson, The Badloves, King Canyon, emerging artists, and local producers. | $112,500 |
| VIC | Caroline McKinnon | Point8Six | A topical and witty play that will transport La Mama Theatre across Australia via live-streaming, helping to reanimate and promote theatrical performance and audience engagement. | $39,962 |
| VIC | Australian Booksellers Association | National Book Vouchers | National Book Vouchers promoting Australian authors and bookshops. Vouchers are direct economic stimulus to the sector which generates royalties and builds careers of Australian authors. | $231,000 |
| VIC | Capital Entertainment Pty Ltd | Borderline Music and Arts Festival | Held in Albury-Wodonga, Borderline is a two-day regional Music and Arts Festival showcasing All-Australian contemporary music from headline acts to local and emerging artists. | $149,000 |
| VIC | Footscray Community Arts Centre | GRAVITY | Driving tourism and cultural-economic revival, GRAVITY presents performance seasons by diverse innovative independent theatre-makers, providing immediate employment opportunities and paid work for artists. | $187,250 |
| VIC | Creswick Amateur Theatre Group Inc | CresFest 2022 | CresFest will showcase artistic talent, community ingenuity and the natural beauty of Creswick, VIC. This project will be run by Creswick people to celebrate the joy of live music. | $24,300 |
| VIC | WILDLANDS MUSIC FESTIVAL Pty Ltd | Wildlands: contemporary youth music festival | Wildlands will profile the best contemporary talent from across Australia, expanding to deliver a multi-day, multi-city music and arts festival. | $277,410 |
| VIC | British India (D Melia W Drummond M O'Gorman) partnership | British India National Tour 2022 | British India will embark on a national tour with a focus on regional towns. | $140,000 |
| WA | Denmark Baroque Inc | The Fairy Queen | A fully staged performance of the restoration spectacular semi-opera - The Fairy Queen by Henry Purcell with accompanying tour and accommodation packages. | $83,650 |
| WA | Interstar Pty Ltd | Vaudeville Variety Night: New Comedy | Open-access comedy festival for new talent and material. 10 nights at the Regal Theatre and 20+ performances. | $46,000 |
| WA | TTD Events Pty Ltd | Blossom Festival | A 3 day boutique camping festival, celebrating art, lifestyle and music culture in regional WA. | $99,325 |
| WA | STRUT Dance Inc | Situ-8 Festival | A multi-artform festival presented across the Perth CBD as a mechanism to re-build social and economic vibrancy in communities impacted by COVID-19. | $161,882 |
| WA | Black Swan State Theatre Company | National tour | Mount a production for touring to remote, regional and metropolitan communities across Australia. | $700,000 |
| WA | Arts Margaret River Inc | Margaret River Readers & Writers Festival | The biggest literary event in regional Western Australia, fostering a love of literature, arts and culture. | $180,000 |
| WA | Aboriginal Art Centre Hub of Western Australia | Our Country Moves: A state-wide Aboriginal arts and business development project and showcase | Our Country Moves will facilitate cultural exchanges between WA Aboriginal art centres and artists, offer extensive capacity development programs and result in a milestone exhibition. | $600,000 |