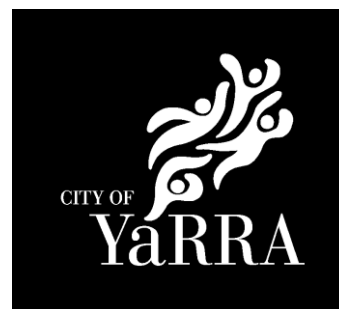


# Room to Create Artist in Residence Program

Individuals, Partnerships and Collectives  
Expression of interest



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The City of Yarra is inviting artists and creatives to submit an Expression of Interest for a residency at the Hugo Wertheim – Studio One Community Hub, 15 Barnet Way, Richmond.

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## Background

Yarra City Council is seeking Expressions of Interest for the Artist in Residence program, at the Hugo Wertheim Room – Studio One Community Hub, Richmond, a space managed by the City of Yarra.

The residency is open to artists as individuals, partnerships or collectives. Successful applicants will receive exclusive use of the space rent free for a 6 month period, with the possibility to extend.

This residency is part of Yarra City Council's **Room to Create Program**, which aims to keep the arts in Yarra by providing support for eligible artists or groups through its Room to Create Artist in Residence program.

The **Room to Create Program** encompasses a range of initiatives by the City of Yarra to help keep the arts in Yarra. As the City continues to change, presenting challenges to creatives, arts and cultural organisations, Council is providing support to keep Yarra a vibrant, creative centre for the arts through a number of Council-owned spaces, making it easier for creatives to have access to spaces.

## Brief for Artists

We are seeking Expressions of Interests that support Council's vision of encouraging community engagement and creative use of City of Yarra venues.

This callout is open to creative practitioners who will use the space to develop work and provide a public program or outcome during their residency for the Yarra community.

We encourage practitioners to consider aspects of the site and location when developing a proposal for a public outcome either during the residency or on its completion.

## Site Description and Information

The Hugo Wertheim Room is a part of the Studio One Community Hub site at 15 Barnet Way, Richmond.

Located on the second floor of the Community Hub, the room can be accessed via ground floor stairs and lift. The successful applicant will have access to the space between the hours of 8am – 8pm.

It is an intimate meeting room that is part of a multi-use facility comprising of a large function space, smaller meeting rooms, a commercial kitchen and a co-working space.

The room is carpeted with a table and 2 chairs, and includes use of the shared kitchen facilities, and would best suit an individual practitioner for writing or creating work more suited to an office environment.

The site can be easily accessed by Public Transport on the 70 or 75 tram and is a short walk from Burnley Train Station.

The successful applicant is eligible to apply for Yarra's Small Project Grant in support of the proposed public outcome/program.

**The studio is to be strictly used as a working space only and cannot be used as accommodation. If the artist(s) in residence are found to be using the space for accommodation the agreement will be terminated.**

## Submission Guidelines

Individual artists or groups may submit one proposal only as part of the Expression of Interest process. Proposals will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Innovative and/or emerging practice;
- Priority will be given to applicants who demonstrate a need for the space to develop their work;
- Applicants who consider the residency within the context of the location and community;
- Engagement provided to the community by the public program or outcome during or at the completion of the residency;
- Has the capacity to successfully complete the project.

We are seeking applicants who can commit to using the studio space regularly for the duration of the residency.

This 6 month residency, with the possibility to extend, is due to commence at the end of August 2021.

There is an expectation that a public outcome or program will be generated from the residency. This could include but is not limited to outcomes such as an open studio, a performance or showing, a reading or presentation. This can be determined and developed between the Arts and Cultural Services Team successful artist or artist group.

Additional support such as promotion/publicity will be provided by Yarra City Council through the Arts and Culture website, newsletter and social media.

## Timelines

Applications open 16 June 2021 and will remain open until **11.59pm Tuesday 3 August 2021**.

Applicants should expect to be notified of the outcome by the outcome in mid August 2021.

## Eligibility

- An individual or group applicant who can demonstrate the need of the residency in support of the development of their creative practice.
- Applicants who propose a public outcome or program during or at the conclusion of their residency for the Yarra community.
- Applicants who have already participated in the Room to Create Artist-in- Residency program are ineligible to apply.
- Applicants who are currently studying are ineligible to apply.

## How to submit:

Applications can be made online through Council's website, at [cityofyarra.smartygrants.com.au](http://cityofyarra.smartygrants.com.au)

## What to submit:

- A completed application form via the Smarty Grants portal link
- Images or links to website or video of previous or proposed works (up to 3 x A4 pages) via the Smarty Grants portal
- A CV (maximum 2 pages) via the Smarty Grants portal
- Any other relevant support material via the Smarty Grants portal

## When to submit:

**Applications must be received by 11.59pm Tuesday 3 August 2021.**

## Further information

Should you wish to discuss your application, please contact Rafaella McDonald, Arts Development Officer, Room to Create on 9205 5232 or [rafaella.mcdonald@yarracity.vic.gov.au](mailto:rafaella.mcdonald@yarracity.vic.gov.au)

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