

2020/21 Community Grants Program – Arts & Creativity stream

Projects recommended for funding

Grant Recipient	Project	Amount Funded ex GST
Ben Rak	Development of a curated exhibition of emerging and established artists whose work explores sports motifs to inspire the audience to reflect on contemporary social issues including; Indigenous affairs, environmental concerns, mental health, and post-colonialism.	\$3,000.00
Catherine Mack	Development of a 10-part podcast series featuring short stories narrated by well-known creatives. From recognised actors and filmmakers, to writers and TV presenters, each episode will be narrated by a different guest artist and engage a broad audience.	\$4,500.00
Cecille Weldon	Design and production of new textiles by local designer responding to local native flora. A collaborative project with local businesses to create new products, blending design and storytelling of Indigenous bush food heritage.	\$2,000.00
Chantal Harrison	Re-establishment of Northern Beaches Youth Theatre, to provide a safe space for young people to explore their creative expression through performance using a child-led approach.	\$3,400.00
Desire Books and Records	Delivery of a diverse range of arts and cultural events that support the connection of local artistic and Indigenous communities. Events include open mic nights featuring; local poets, spoken word artists, musicians and performers, encouraging broad participation including those from marginalised communities.	\$4,000.00
Heidi Lee Warta	Development of a new exhibition highlighting 10 First Nations women living on Gai-mariagal Country, Northern Beaches, facilitating greater understanding and cohesion, and extending the work of Aboriginal reconciliation locally.	\$5,000.00
Jenny Pollak	Development of new multidisciplinary work by an established artist that explores local environmental issues and responds to the global community concern of climate change.	\$2,000.00
Julie Nicholson	Development of a podcast project that connects the community with local creative practitioners through a series of interviews and discussion of current arts issues.	\$4,000.00
Kevin Diallo	Development of new exhibitions at Project 54 Gallery, Artist Run Initiative that aims to present the work of emerging contemporary artists with a strong emphasis on exhibiting emerging First Nations and culturally diverse contemporary artists on the Northern Beaches.	\$3,000.00

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Lenoma Jackson	Production and presentation of new work and programming, delivering authentic Aboriginal arts and culture. Exhibitions and cultural workshops including painting, traditional crafts, bush foods & medicines, poetry, story & song, dance and languages will be facilitated by professional Aboriginal artists and craftspeople. Supports the growth and development of a local Aboriginal arts collective, North Side Aboriginal Artists.	\$7,500.00
Luke Styles	Development and presentation of a new body of work (theatrical song cycle) by a professional local composer through collaboration with established writer, Hillary Bell.	\$2,000.00
Manly Warringah Pipe Band Inc	Development of local community band promoting opportunities for participation in traditional music on the Northern Beaches and beyond.	\$2,000.00
Mika Utzon Popov	Development of a new collaborative project between an established local artist and the Australian Bronze Foundry to experiment and explore new innovative processes in bronze casting.	\$2,000.00
Natasha Milne	Production of a series of audio narratives that guide visitors through a multi-dimensional experience of place. The real-time walking journey takes the listener on socio-historical, cultural and environmental highlights of Manly.	\$3,000.00
Northern Beaches Readers Festival Incorporated	Development of a curated literary event celebrating popular Australian fiction encouraging broad community participation. Presenting a dynamic program of author talks and panel discussions over three days.	\$3,000.00
Old Mate Media	Development and operation of a new online platform and directory connecting the Northern Beaches creative community. The project encourages collaborative opportunities between creatives across diverse disciplines to strengthen their businesses, while making arts more accessible to the local community and building the reputation of the Northern Beaches as a thriving creative hub.	\$9,000.00
Phillippa Murphy-Haste	Development of a suite of composed and improvised music to be workshopped, rehearsed, recorded, and streamed online. The work reflects on societal changes that have reached a climactic juncture globally and connects to a local experience through field recordings on the Northern Beaches.	\$2,000.00
Riana Head-Toussaint	Development of a new performance work exploring the choreography and consumption of Inspiration Porn. The work interrogates the propensity to objectify people with disability in the quest for one's own personal validation and gratification.	\$2,800.00

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Scotland Island Residents Association	Delivery of a community driven arts event that encourages engagement with local makers and community participation through creative workshops, exhibitions and projects.	\$3,000.00
Sophia Davidson Gluyas	Development and presentation of a new theatrical work addressing LGBTQTI themes and connects to Northern Beaches stories and culture.	\$2,000.00
Sunnyfield	Development of a new mentorship project introducing Indigenous arts and photography to students living with intellectual disability. Through a series of arts workshops and activities, students will develop new skills and build stronger positive social connection.	\$4,500.00
Suzanne Davey	Development of a collaborative and experimental art project collaborating with Eramboo Artist Environment and seven local contemporary artists working across diverse art forms. Artists research, exchange knowledge and present new work including a participatory art installation engaging the community.	\$6,650.00
The Plant Room Pty Ltd	Development of a video series of live music performances by prominent and emerging music artists recorded for online post-streaming and produced with a focus on promoting current social issues including the environment and Indigenous culture.	\$3,800.00
The Talent Co	Development of unique film workshops for young people providing an opportunity for local teens to develop new skills whilst building confidence through storytelling and performance.	\$5,000.00
Tiani Schaefer	Produce new artworks for exhibition through exploring innovative methods of natural pigment dying that will transform artmaking and sculpture processes.	\$1,000.00
Yvette Poshoglian	Development of a new written narrative exploring the layers of history of Forty Baskets - from the First Nations owners, through colonial times to the present day, creating a lasting story using the motif of the seahorse and its life in the tidal pools of Forty Baskets.	\$5,000.00