

Call for Advisory Committee Members

Thank you for your interest in the Blue Mountains City of the Arts Trust Advisory Committee.

The Blue Mountains City of the Arts Trust was established by Blue Mountains Council to support the arts in the Blue Mountains. One of the Trust's key activities is providing grants to individual artists and arts/cultural organisations to deliver arts projects that contribute to the vitality and well-being of the community. The Council provides \$50,000 annually to the Trust for this purpose.

The Trust also supports and promotes the arts through its Blue Mountains City of the Arts Facebook page at facebook.com/cityofthearts

Council, as Trustee, is currently seeking new community members for the Arts Trust Advisory Committee to replace members whose terms have expired. We are seeking expressions of interest from individuals residing or working in the Blue Mountains who have a strong commitment to the promotion and support of the arts in the City and who have the knowledge, experience, skills and attributes to make a positive contribution to the work of the Committee.

Members will assist in grant assessment and in the provision of relevant advice to the Council when required.

Expressions of Interest closes at 5pm, Wednesday 18 November 2020

Please complete the application form below and return, with a copy of your cv by email to council@bmcc.nsw.gov.au marked: City of the Arts Trust Advisory Committee Membership.

Should you require additional information or wish to discuss further please contact Lin Mountstephen on council@bmcc.nsw.gov.au or on **4780 5544**.

About the Advisory Committee

Being part of the Committee is a good opportunity for creative people to work alongside a team of like-minded individuals to support high quality and innovative arts projects in the Blue Mountains. There are twelve Advisory Committee community members with a range of art-form and cultural practice expertise. The Committee is chaired by Councillor Don McGregor. Advisory Committee Members participate in a voluntary capacity.

Meeting Frequency: The Advisory Committee currently meets quarterly and additional time is required when assessing grant applications. Meetings usually last about two hours during daytime hours. Assessment of grant applications can take up to two days and the Assessment Panel convenes for a day to consider proposals against the criteria and make recommendations to the Council as Trustee.

Term of appointment: Members are appointed for a three year period.

Probity: Members must abide by rigorous probity standards for conflict of Interest with regard to grant assessment. Applicants are encouraged to consider whether they are intending to apply for a grant during their three year term. Members who do so are not eligible to sit on the Assessment Panel and this will limit involvement.

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Application Form

Full name of applicant

Title

Address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Email address

Phone number

Are you a resident of the Blue Mountains Local Government Area?

Do you work in the Blue Mountains Local Government Area?

Are you available to attend meetings during the day?

1. Please tell us what personal attributes you would bring to the positive functioning of the Committee

In 200 words or less:

2. Please summarise your arts expertise/ experience

In 200 words or less:

3. Please outline any experience assessing grants or evaluating art proposals

In 200 words or less:

Please attach a short C.V referencing any groups/ organisational memberships or networks that you belong to in relation to arts/cultural activities.

Signature of Applicant:

Date: