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GEELONG ARTS CENTRE CREATIVE ENGINE 2022



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Here to inspire creativity and support positive risk-taking for artists and creatives with a strong connection to the G21 region, applications are now open for the second 2022 Geelong Arts Centre Creative Engine grant round.

Totalling \$12,000 in financial grants and over \$30,000 of value-in-kind studio and co-working space access at the arts centre's landmark Ryrie Street building, the six available grant packages focus on supporting emerging artists with strong ties to the G21 region as they pursue development of new and exciting work.

Available packages include:

- 2 x Ignition: 2 x \$5,000 plus in-kind studio access (up to 76 hours), in-kind co-working and meeting space access, and mentoring opportunities
- 2 x Jump Start: \$1,000 plus in-kind studio access (up to 38 hours) and in-kind co-working and meeting space access
- 2 x Place to Make: In-kind studio access (up to 38 hours) and in-kind co-working and meeting space access

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Applications are welcomed from practising artists across all artforms looking to develop new works, and cross-genre projects are highly encouraged.

First Nations artists, artists of diverse backgrounds and artists with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Grant are now open and will close at 5:00pm Monday 11 July, with successful projects notified on Friday 29 July.

Projects awarded a grant in this round must complete their development prior to June 30, 2023. Further details regarding the application process and eligibility requirements can be found on the Creative Engine [website](#).

To be successful, applications must demonstrate an ability to meet the program's three selection criteria: Connection, Innovation and Thoughtfulness.

Launched in October 2019, Creative Engine supports Geelong Arts Centre's strategic vision to build sustainable arts practices within regional Victoria and become 'The Creative Heart of Geelong: an artery between creative industries and community to global thinking and extraordinary experiences.'

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In addition to grants and support initiatives, Creative Engine provides access to workshops, masterclasses, industry forums, networking events and affordable co-working space for the creative community of Geelong.

Creative Engine will offer regular grant rounds to invest in emerging projects produced by those with a strong connection to the Greater Geelong region.

Geelong Arts Centre's Creative Engine is proud to have already supported several works by local creatives including contemporary dance company Blink Dance Theatre, dynamic performing arts entity Bravo Arts, co-creator of recent Our Season 2022 premiere work, *Mountain*, André Jewson, and Gunditjmara theatre-maker Tom Molyneux.

Updates regarding development of works supported by Geelong Arts Centre's Creative Engine can be found at geelongartscentre.org.au/creative-engine/projects-supported-creative-engine

To learn more about the Creative Engine program and current opportunities, visit geelongartscentre.org.au/creative-engine

KEY GRANT INFORMATION

KEY DATES

APPLICATIONS OPEN: 9:00am, Mon 27 Jul
APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 5:00pm, Mon 11 Jul
SELECTED PROJECTS NOTIFIED: Fri 29 Jul

For detailed information about each of the 3 grant types available, please visit geelongartscentre.org.au/creative-engine/grants-support-initiatives

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“Providing support for a diverse range of artists to develop unique and inspiring works is critical to ensuring that the calibre of creative output in Geelong continues to move from strength to strength.

Local practitioners continue to play a pivotal role in showcasing the significance of the arts within our region, contributing to vibrancy and wellbeing for our community, and we are proud of our contribution through this initiative.”

Quote attributable to Geelong Arts Centre CEO & Creative Director,
Joel McGuinness