

# **FUSE FUND 2020 ROUND 2 - GUIDELINES**

Council is seeking to support the presentation of arts & cultural projects and events from Darebin based artists and community organisations within Darebin's brand-new festival FUSE. There is \$50,000 in this fund for this round. A very limited number of grants between \$5000 & \$20,000 to present as part of **FUSE Autumn 2021 (11-28 March 2021)** and/or **FUSE Spring 2021 (September 2021)** will be awarded.

Successful applicants will be required to have Public Liability Insurance, commit to completing a conditions of grant agreement, COVID-19 scenario plan, grant acquittal, adhering to FUSE Terms & Conditions and meeting the requirements of Councils' Festival & Event Permission Process if applicable.

## Criteria

Arts & cultural projects must culminate in a presentation or event, which will take place within the City of Darebin and be suitable for inclusion in the FUSE program.

FUSE is a brand-new multi arts festival that aims to reflect and celebrate what is unique about Darebin, celebrate belonging and enable creative connections between people and, uncover and explore new ideas and spaces.

The following will not be supported:

- Events and projects that are not arts or cultural in nature
- Fundraisers
- Neighbourhood Street Parties

Funds cannot be used to pay for:

• Hire of Council venues

You should make clear:

- How your arts and cultural project or event is suitable for the FUSE program
- How your arts and cultural project or event aligns with the goals of Darebin Arts Strategy

The following will be prioritised:

- Applications from artists or community organisations from our priority communities (Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, Deaf or living with disability, Culturally and Linguistically Diverse, Young People, Older People, Women, LGBTI)
- Applications from artists or community organisations with a demonstrated history of delivering arts or cultural projects or events of excellent quality





Applications will be strengthened by:

• Evidence of the projects or events viability

## COVID-19 & Change

As a result of COVID-19 things are changing and often, so we need to be as responsive as possible with FUSE Fund projects and events. As part of your application, you will need to provide an outline of how your project or event could be adapted to meet any easing or tightening of public health restrictions. Successful applicants will be required to develop a scenario plan detailing how the project could be reshaped to meet easing or tightening of public health restrictions.

## How to apply:

Applications to FUSE Fund are submitted on-line using: <u>http://darebin.smartygrants.com.au</u>

Step 1: Access the SmartyGrants webpage - by using the above link

**Step 2:** Log in; if you haven't used SmartyGrants to submit an on-line application form before, you need to register. To do this you need to have an email address and set up a password.

Step 3: Select Fuse Fund and begin application

Step 4: Start your application

## **Key Dates:**

<u>Round 2: FUSE Autumn 2021 and/or Spring 2021</u> Applications open: Wednesday 12 August 2020 Information Session: Wednesday 9 September 2020, 12.30pm Close: Thursday 8 October 2020, 4pm Applicants notified: TBC

## **Queries:**

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