

BOWERY

ROOM TO MOVE RESIDENCY GUIDELINES 2019

What is the *Room to Move* Residency?

A residency program supported by Brimbank City Council's Arts and Culture team that provides the Bowery Theatre dance studio in-kind to individual artists and small collectives for training, rehearsal and/or experimentation without the pressure of a creative outcome.

Key dates:

Applications open: March 2019

Applications close: 2pm on Sunday, 2 June 2019

Decisions announcement: Mid June 2019

Residency Commences: July 2019

Residency Ends: End of June 2020

What's on offer?

Up to four residencies will be awarded.

The *Room to Move* residency offers:

- up to 150 hours in the dance studio at no charge in a year (for example 1 x 4 hour session per week) based on availability. Maximum of 1 booking per week of up to five hours.
- \$250 towards PLI costs
- Arts West membership
- Promotion of the artist / collective through council communication channels
- Potential opportunities to participate in STACC / Bowery events
- Potential support with connecting with other groups/organisations/funding bodies/presenters

The *Room To Move* Residency encourages:

- Opportunities to undertake process-driven arts practice and risk taking in making new, contemporary performance works/processes/ensembles;
- Artistic and career development opportunities for artists and arts organisations;
- Opportunities to increase community reach and engagement;
- Opportunities to develop new, local audiences;
- The development of work that is reflective of the cultural identity of Brimbank; and
- Artistic merit in the presentation/development of new work/processes that positions the Bowery and STACC as a place that nurtures bold ideas.

Who is eligible to apply?

The Room To Move residency is for local emerging / early career independent artists. To apply for funding you must:

- Be an individual or small group practicing dance, choreography, creative/expressive movement, or dance theatre.
- Be an individual with an ABN **OR** be a group with a member that has an ABN who can invoice for the group **OR** have an Auspice/sponsor **OR** be an incorporated group.
- Have at least one member of the group over 18 years of age who is responsible for the group and will be present at every booking
- Have Public Liability Insurance cover for the duration of the project

The program gives priority to applications from local artists and arts organisations from the Brimbank municipality.

How do I apply?

To apply, you must complete the Room to Move Application Form, available online www.bowerystacc.com.au/roomtomove-apply

If you need assistance with an online application please contact Nathan Stoneham, Community and Creative Partnerships Officer on E: NathanS@brimbank.vic.gov.au or P: 9249 4613.

There are 3 key questions to complete on the application form:

Q1 Please tell us who you are what you're proud of!

List any positive feedback, grants, awards or recognition you've received. Or, tell us what you're good at, what's different about you, and/or what is it about your arts practice you are proud of. If you are a group, please list the names and ages of all members, note any outstanding achievements of group members, and tell us about your history of working together.

This relates to the assessment criteria:

- ARTISTIC MERIT (4. Artistic skills and ability of the key people involved)
- VIABILITY (1. Skills of the people involved and the relevance to the proposed activity. 2. For groups, a demonstrated history of successfully working together)

Q2 Please describe what you do!

Describe your arts practice and any styles / forms / ideas / processes you're interested in. What's your vision?

This relates to the assessment criteria:

- ARTISTIC MERIT (1. Artistic vision. 2. Expression of bold, contemporary concepts. 3. Innovation and rigor approach to performance-based artistic form)

Q3 Describe what you plan to do in the dance studio @STACC and what impact it will have on you and/or the community!

Describe what you plan to do, how this will develop your arts practice and why it's important now. Tell us about how you will share what you've been doing with the general public through at least one workshop / open rehearsal / artist talk / showcase.

This relates to the assessment criteria:

- IMPACT (1. How the proposed activity will strengthen arts practice. 2. Relevance and timelines of the proposed activity. 3. Potential of the activity to bring people together),
- VIABILITY (3. Realistic and achievable planning, program of activities, resource use)

How will the applications be assessed?

Applications will be assessed by members of Brimbank City Council's the Arts & Culture unit. All decisions made by the panel are final.

The following assessment criteria will be considered:

Artistic Merit – 40%:

1. artistic vision (Q2)
2. expression of bold, contemporary concepts (Q2)
3. Innovation and rigor approach to performance-based artistic form (Q2)
4. artistic skills and ability of the key people involved (Q1)

Impact – 40%:

1. how the proposed activity strengthens arts practice (Q3)
2. relevance and timeliness of the proposed activity (Q3)
3. potential of the activity to bring people together (Q3)

Viability – 20%

1. skills of the people involved and their relevance to the proposed activity (Q1)
2. for groups, a demonstrated history of successfully working together (Q1)
3. realistic and achievable planning, program of activities, resource use (Q3)

Budget guidelines

The applicant is responsible for all costs associated with the activity, except the included room hire of the Dance studio and security fees. \$250 will be paid as a contribution towards public liability insurance cover. Brimbank City Council will pay for the cost of Arts West membership.

What will not be funded?

- Applications from commercial entities
- Incomplete applications
- Ineligible applications
- Activity better suited to an alternative space
- Groups with over 12 members

Requirements and reporting

- Successful applicants need to sign a room hire Agreement with Council and undergo an induction.
- Provide a tax invoice or statement from supplier for payment of \$250 at the commencement of the residency.
- Successful applicants must provide a certificate of currency for their PLI insurance
- Any change to a successful project must be discussed with the Community and Creative Partnerships Officer.
- At the end of the funding period (30 June 2020), a brief report of the activity undertaken must be provided.

What support is available?

Council officers can support applicants to:

- develop their application in line with the guidelines
- plan around venue availability
- identify additional funding sources

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