

Nominations to be a member of the Catalyst Community Arts Fund Selection Panel 2012 - 2015

The Community Arts Network Western Australia Ltd (CAN WA) is calling for nominations for the Catalyst Community Arts Fund Selection Panel to assess applications for funding.

The Catalyst Fund supports projects that:

- facilitate community arts and culture activities in WA
- express local culture and identity
- promote the values of community empowerment, social inclusion, respect for diversity and self-determination.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the panel reflects the diversity within Western Australian communities. This includes:

- An ATSI (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) representative
- An under 25 representative
- A CaLD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) representative
- A community development sector representative
- A CAN WA Board member
- A mental health sector representative
- *At least two of the above to be regional

CAN WA is looking for individuals who meet the following criteria:

- display a good understanding of community arts, community cultural development or community development
- are a respected member of the Western Australian community.

CAN WA provides fees for those panel members not employed by federal, state or local government. It includes accommodation, meals and travel costs for country members to attend panel meetings and mileage and parking costs for metropolitan members.

The CAN WA Board will appoint the Panel Members for a three-year term.

What does being a CATALYST panel member involve?

REVIEWING APPLICATIONS

Panel members will be given at least two weeks to review applications before the panel sits to assess the applications.

PANEL MEETINGS

A Chair for the Catalyst panel will be nominated by Community Arts Network WA's Board each year. This position will be chosen from the selected panel members. Panel members will have the right to decline the position.

It is anticipated that panel meetings will take one full day in April/May and one full day in October/November. Dates are set in consultation with the Chair and panellists.

SELECTION PROCESS

Each application will be assessed against selection criteria and will be allocated a grade (A, B or C). The Panellists are expected to have their decisions on the grade they allocate to each application ready in time for the meeting. Panellists are expected to provide reasons for rejected applications in accordance with the selection criteria.

VOTING

A consensus decision is preferred. A majority vote carries. In case of a deadlock, the Chair has the casting vote.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Selected panel members will be required to sign a statement of confidentiality.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Any panel member who has a conflict of interest (is an applicant or closely linked to an applicant) should declare a conflict of interest and not participate in the round or leave the room when the project is deliberated (if closely linked to project).

If interested, please email a completed nomination form and your CV to:

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