

The Capital Foyer

Local Artist Exhibition Program 2022

In 2022, Bendigo Venues and Events (BV&E) will offer local artists an opportunity to exhibit work in the foyer spaces at The Capital.

Work will be displayed in the foyer space outside the Bendigo Bank Theatre for approximately six weeks **and** upstairs (including the stair-well) for approximately five months.

Selected artists will be awarded a fee of \$1,000 (inc. GST, if applicable) and provided marketing support and assistance with installation.

The aim of this program is to support local artists and add to the experience of people attending events at The Capital.

We encourage all eligible artists to apply for this program.

If you are thinking of applying you are strongly encouraged to contact the Arts Officer to discuss your application.

Email: arts.info@bendigo.vic.gov.au Phone: 03 5434 6478

Key Information

Who can apply:

This program is open to artists living within the City of Greater Bendigo.

What type of work will be considered?

Work must be suitable for hanging using the current hanging system. This includes 2D work but may include other work (eg. Textile or light 3D work – if you are proposing to exhibit 3D work you are strongly advised to discuss this with the Arts Officer).

The Capital is a public space and artists are asked to take this into consideration when planning their exhibition; unlike a gallery space we are unable to warn or restrict visitors when there might be confronting work.

Sale of Work:

Work exhibited under this program may be offered for sale.

Sales will go through the Box Office and include an 11% commission.

Ideally, exhibited works will remain in place until the conclusion of the exhibition, however if a purchaser requires the work sooner the artist

may arrange, with the approval of BV&E, a replacement work to go on display.

Dates:

Exhibition 1:

- 20 April to 3 June – Lower Space
- 20 April to 26 August - Upper Spaces
- Applications Close Friday 19 November 2021

Exhibition 2:

- 29 August to 14 October – Lower Space
- 29 August to 21 December - Upper Spaces
- Applications Close Friday 25 March 2022

Note:

- Dates include installation and de-installation.
- Installation and de-installation will be coordinated to work around the theatre program and other bookings in the venue.
- Exhibition 2 dates for the upper spaces may be extended, in consultation with the artist, into 2023.

Opening Hours:

The Lower Space is open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

The Upper Space is open for performances (usually from one hour before the performance commences) and other events in The Capital.

Security of work:

The Capital is a fully staffed venue with business hours of 9.00-5.00 Monday to Friday. Either City of Greater Bendigo staff or delegated contractors are on site for all functions and events outside business hours.

When the main building is not in use the ground floor is protected by a security system.

Work exhibited at The Capital for exhibition is done so at the artist's own risk.

The Spaces

Lower Space (outside the Bendigo Bank Theatre)

- This space includes a number of hanging spaces:
 1. main wall 653cm
 2. opposing walls 230cm & 150cm
 3. around the entrance to the Banquet Room, a 200cm wall and corner area: 133cm & 53cm
- The hanging system consists of wire rods which hang from a rail 344cm from the floor, and finish 175cm from the floor.
- In addition to two suspended general light fittings there are spotlights which may be focused on the artwork.

Upper spaces (in the stairwell and outside The Capital Theatre)

1. Halfway up the main stairway – rail: max height 330cm; width 250cm
2. Above fireplace on the way to restrooms – rail: max height 200cm; width 140cm; (currently does not have work on display)
3. Left of bar – no rail (current work 150cm x 120cm)
4. On right, heading towards lower door to theatre – no rail (current work: 60cm x 75cm)
5. Left of lower door into Theatre – no rail (current work: 130cm x 130cm)
6. Above fireplace outside door into Theatre – rail: max height 150cm; width 120cm (currently does not have work on display)

Note:

- All measurements approximate and dimensions given height x width.
- Where there is no rail, there are hooks in the wall (these cannot be shifted or removed.)
- A floor plan of these spaces is available on request, and applicants are encouraged to arrange a time to view the spaces.
- Applicants need not use all hanging points, however it is expected that there will be work displayed across the venue to create a satisfying visitor experience.

How to Apply

Applicants are required to submit:

- Proposed exhibition title (may be changed if selected)
- Short exhibition summary (50-100 words)
- Exhibition overview (no more than two pages), describing the aims of the exhibition and a description of the work and rough guide to where works will be displayed
- Artist CV (including recent exhibitions and links to artist website)
- Up to 12 images – clearly labelled, noting if artworks are to be included in your exhibition.

Email: arts.info@bendigo.vic.gov.au

Post or hand deliver: Attention Arts Officer, Bendigo Venues and Events
 C/- The Capital Box Office
 50 View Street, Bendigo 3550

Applications must be received as per the dates above (see Key Information)

If Successful

If application is successful you will be required to complete and return a Deed of Agreement (within 14 days of notification) and Booking Form (at least one month prior to event commencing).

Following your exhibition, you will be required to complete an Acquittal Report within 28 days.

Failure to complete these documents may lead to the cancellation of this booking or, in the case of the Acquittal Report, may disqualify the applicant from applying for any further City of Greater Bendigo grants.

If Unsuccessful

If a proposal is unsuccessful this does not necessarily mean any judgement has been made on the quality or standard of the proposal.