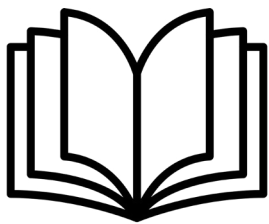


Expression of Interest Form for First Nations People

Implementation Advisory Group
Arts and Disability Plan



Easy Read



Australian Government

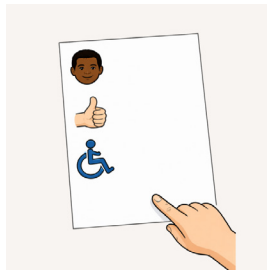
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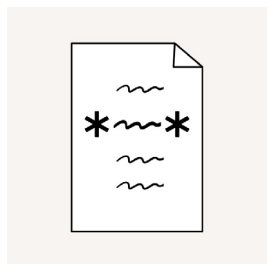
About Easy Read



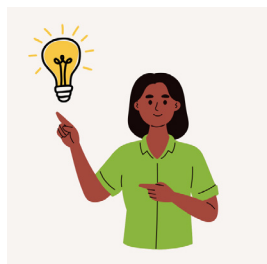
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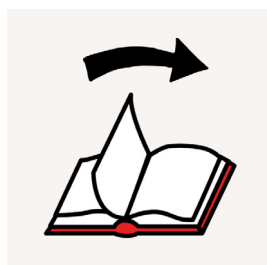
Easy Read uses pictures to explain ideas.



New words are ***bold with stars***.
We explain what new words mean.



Easy Read includes key information.



Contact information is at the end of this book to learn more.

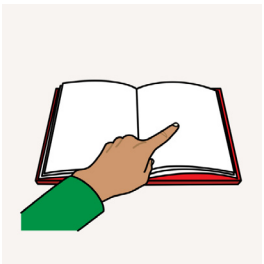
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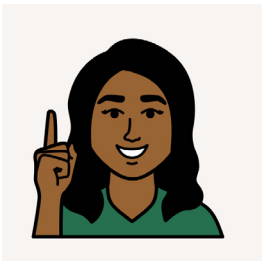
This form is by The Office for the Arts.



This form is for First Nations people only.



The form starts on [page 15](#).



We will explain the work first.

About our group



You can fill in the form to apply to join our ***Implementation Advisory Group***.



The group includes d/Deaf and disabled

- artists



- arts and screen workers.



The group helps us plan ways to meet the needs of d/Deaf and disabled people.

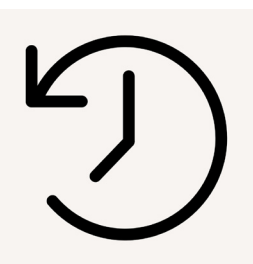
Who is in our group?



Up to 13 d/Deaf or disabled people are in our group.



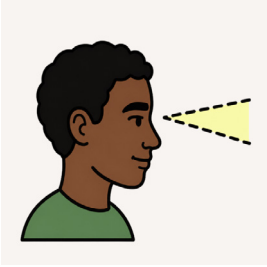
11 group members are called
Regular Members.



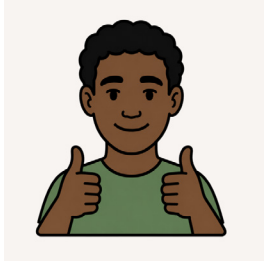
Regular Members might have been advisors in the past.



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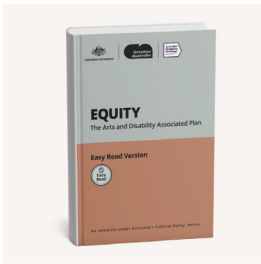


2 group members are called
***Observer Members*.**



Observer Members might not
have been advisors in the
past, but still want to help.

What does the group do?



The group helps us follow the
Arts and Disability Associated Plan.



The plan says how we will meet the
needs of d/Deaf and disabled

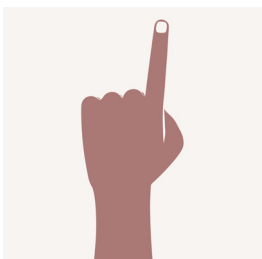
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- arts and screen workers

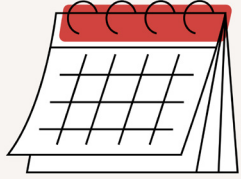


- people who like the arts.



Members must be part of the
group for at least 1 year.

About the group meetings



Meetings happen up to 5 times a year.
Meetings started in mid 2025.



Most meetings are online.



We might meet in person
once every 2 years.



Meetings are ***accessible***.
Accessible means everyone can join in.

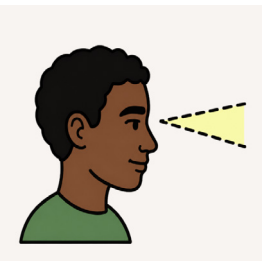
How many hours will you work?



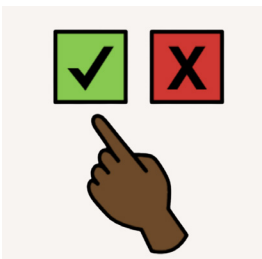
Regular Members work about **20 hours** a year.



20 hours includes work before and after meetings.



Observer Members work about **10 hours** a year.



Observer Members can choose if they want to do work before meetings.

Your pay

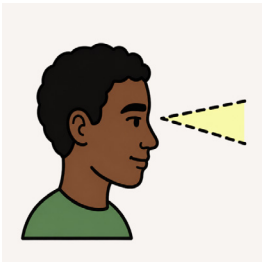


Your pay will depend on how long each meeting goes for.



If a meeting goes for **2 hours**

- Regular Members get \$285.60 for their time in the meeting and work before the meeting



- Observer Members get \$142.80 for their time in the meeting.

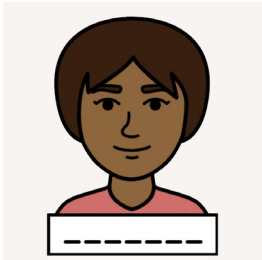
How we use your information



This is a ***Privacy Collection Notice***.

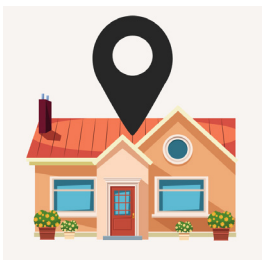


The notice explains how we keep your ***personal information*** safe.

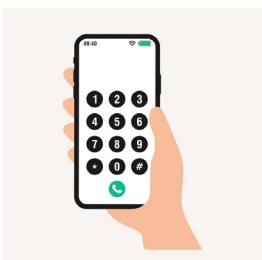


Examples of personal information might be

- your full name



- where you live



- your phone number.

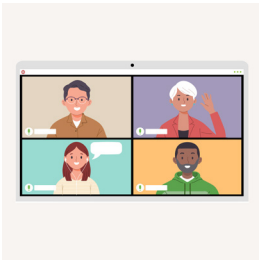


We follow laws to keep your information safe.



We only use your information to talk to you about

- your applications



- working on the advisory group.



We might share your contact information with other people we work with.

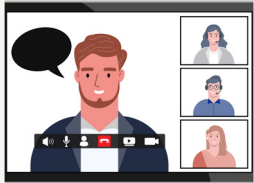


Other people might be

- workers at Creative Australia



- workers at Screen Australia



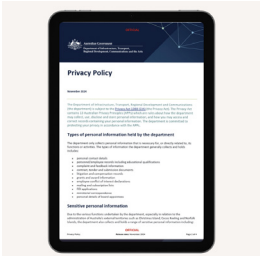
- a ***group facilitator***.



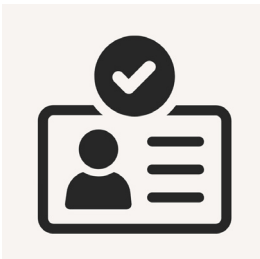
The group facilitator is the person who runs group meetings.



Your name and state will be shared on our website if you join the group.



We follow a ***Privacy Policy***.

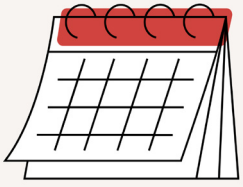


The policy includes rules for government workers to keep your information safe.

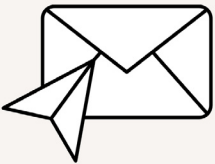


There is a link to the policy at the end of this book.

How to apply

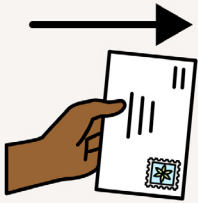


Apply by **11:59pm Sunday 6 September 2026** Australian Eastern Standard Time.



You can

- email this form to us



- print and post this form to us



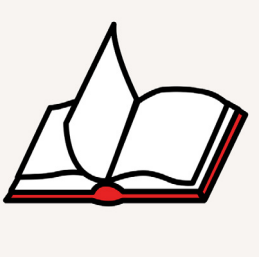
- call us between 9am and 5pm weekdays



- send a video or audio file.
Email us for the upload link.

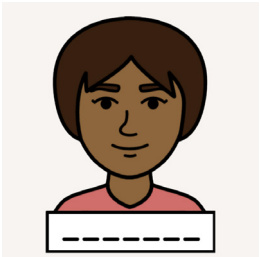


Contact us for help to apply in a way that works for you.



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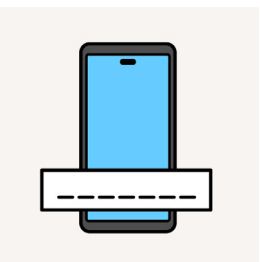
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Write your full name in the box below.

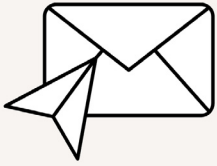


Write your email in the box below.



Write your phone number in the box below.

Tick your best contact method.



Email



Phone call



Text message



Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?



Yes



No

Tick the box to show where you live.



The ACT



New South Wales



Northern Territory



Queensland



South Australia



Tasmania



Victoria

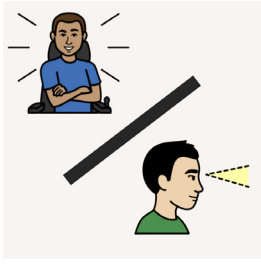


Western Australia



If you want, add the Traditional Country you are from in the box below.

What type of member do you want to be?

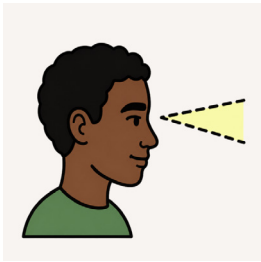


Tick the member you want to be.

You can tick 1 or both boxes.



Regular Member



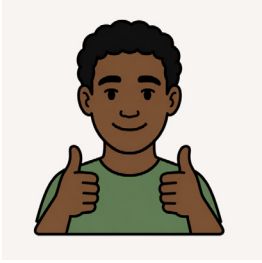
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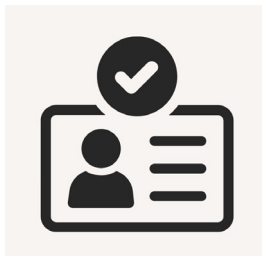


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The reserve list



Do you want to be on our ***reserve list*** if there is no role for you right now in the group?



A reserve list means we

- keep your contact information



- tell you if a role comes up for you in the future.

Tick the best option for you.



Yes you want to be on a reserve list

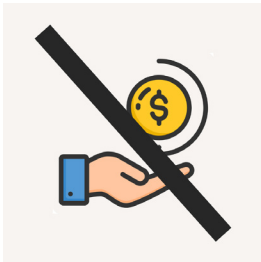


No you do not want to
be on a reserve list

Your work background



Tick how long you have been in the work force, including ***volunteer*** work.



Volunteer means you are not paid for the activity.

1 to 5 years

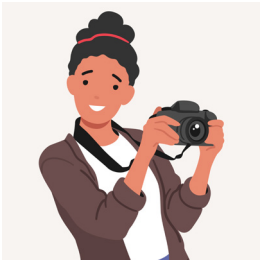
5 to 10 years

10 to 20 years

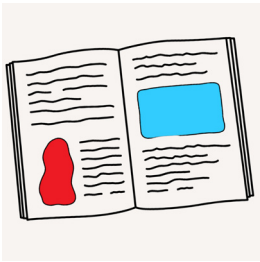
More than 20 years

You have not worked before

Tick **1 to 3 areas** you are most interested in.



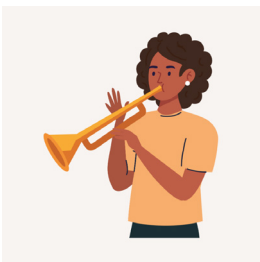
Visual arts and craft



Literature such as writing stories



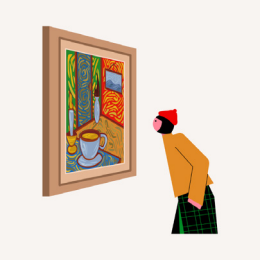
Performing arts such as dance or theatre



Music



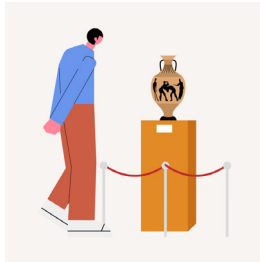
Festivals



Galleries



Libraries



Museums



Screen or digital games



First Nations arts and language

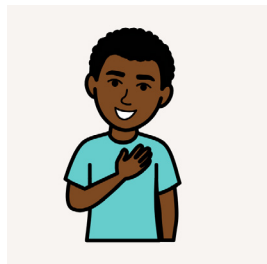


Community and culture projects

Your fit for the role



We want to know about your life as a d/Deaf or disabled artist or arts worker.

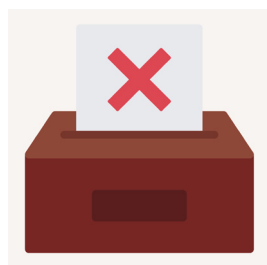


You can choose what you share about your life.



For example

- good things



- hard things.



You do not have to explain your disability or health problems if you do not want to.



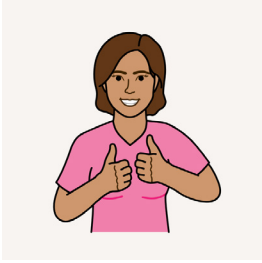
There are boxes on the next few pages for you to tell us more about you.



Please write up to **450 words** for each answer.



1. What is it like for you to be a d/Deaf or disabled artist or arts and screen worker? Write your answer in the box below.



2. Why are you a good fit for our group? For example, have you worked a lot in the arts? Write your answer in the box below.



3. Why do you want to join the group? Write your answer in the box below.

Your lived experience



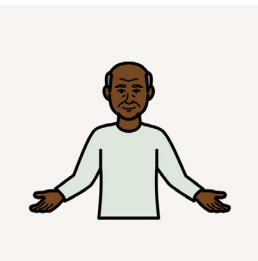
We want our group to include people with different ***lived experience***.



Lived experience includes who you are and how you live as a d/Deaf or disabled person.



You do not have to answer any of these questions if you do not want to.



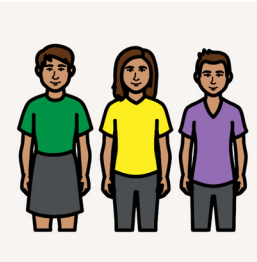
Nothing bad will happen if you do not answer the questions about your lived experience.



If you want, you can tell us your disability in the box below.



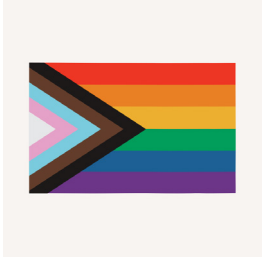
If you want, write your ***gender identity*** in the box below.



Your gender identity is how you see yourself. For example, a man, woman or something else.



If you want, write your age in the box below.



If you want, write if you are ***LGBTIQ+***.
LGBTIQ+ includes many
types of queer identities.



If you want, write if you are
CALD. CALD stands for culturally
and linguistically diverse.



Tick if you live in regional
or remote Australia.



Yes



No

Extra documents



There are 2 extra documents you must send to us with this form.



The extra documents are

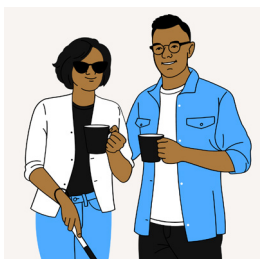
- a resume up to 3 pages long



- ***written references*** from 2 people you worked with in the past.



Written references say what you are like at work. For example, your skills.



You can use references from volunteer work.

Your declaration



A ***declaration*** means you agree that

- you have read this document



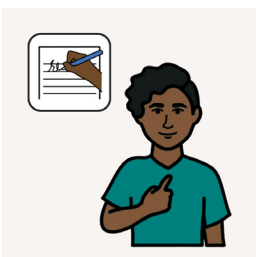
- we can contact you about the group



- you understand the Privacy Collection Notice



- you might need to sign other forms to be part of the group later on



- you are the person who filled out this form or the form was filled out by someone you trust.

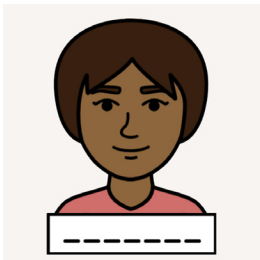


You also agree that

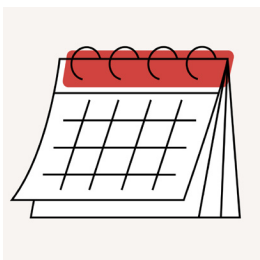
- you will tell us if you find out information in this form is not true



- it is against the law to give false information on purpose.



Write your full name in the box below.



Write the date today.



Apply by **11:59pm Sunday 6 September 2026** Australian Eastern Standard Time.

Contact information



Contact the Office for the Arts for more help.



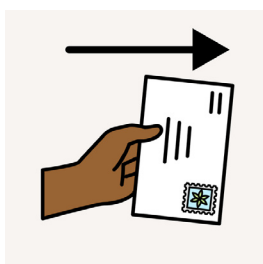
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Email us at arts.disability@arts.gov.au

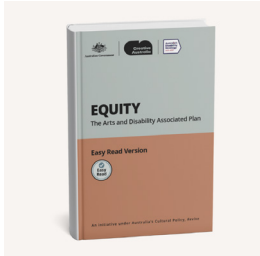


Call us on 1800 080 090



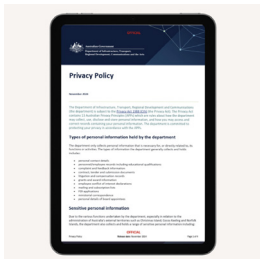
Post a letter to us at
Office for the Arts
GPO Box 594 Canberra ACT 2601

Learn more



Arts and Disability Associated Plan

www.arts.gov.au/what-we-do/arts-and-disability/equity-arts-and-disability-associated-plan



Our Privacy Policy

www.infrastructure.gov.au/departments/privacy-policy



Revive

www.arts.gov.au/publications/national-cultural-policy-revive-place-every-story-story-every-place



Australia's Disability Strategy

www.disabilitygateway.gov.au/ads

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