Live Music Australia grant recipients

-Round 2-2021

The Live Music Australia program, administered by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications, is a competitive grants opportunity for small to medium sized venues that support quality original Australian live music.

Grants provide funding for:

- infrastructure upgrades, purchase of equipment, programming and promotional expenses and artist fees, or
- initiatives that deliver to multiple venues and build capacity, for example, professional development programs, expanded regional touring circuits, and partnerships across venues or jurisdictions.

All figures below are GST exclusive.

Australian Capital Territory

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Canberra Highland Society & Burns Club	Support for increased programming of original music to grow Canberra's Burns Club into a premier	\$27,000
Ltd	live venue.	
Hellfish Harper Pty Ltd	Support for live gigs at Blackbird Bar, including artist fees, sound insulation, staff training and	\$38,044
	promotion.	
Music ACT	A strategic project from MusicACT supporting and promoting seven independent music venues in	\$47,960
	Canberra.	
The Trustee for The Old Canberra Inn Trust	The installation of a new PA to support improved audio quality for The Old Canberra Inn's diverse	\$34,521
	free live music program.	

New South Wales

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
505 Investments Pty Ltd	Presentation of original music by contemporary Australian artists in Sydney's only small capacity concert-style venue and infrastructure upgrades to enable amplified music and program expansion.	\$37,450
Arc @ UNSW Limited	Purchase and installation of an audio equipment to integrate with the existing PA and enhance the venue's production capability.	\$13,200

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Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Arts Outwest	A regional touring circuit across the NSW Central West, making original music by local musicians the focus to tell the stories of our towns.	\$75,220
Bellingen Brewing Company Pty Ltd	The beautiful Bellingen Brewery remains committed to original live music with changes and improvements that promise to deliver a better experience for attendees and artists.	\$43,365
Big Beat (Australia) Pty Limited	Mercury Nights Live is bringing the band back together every Saturday night at Tokio Hotel, Darling Harbour with free entry live music.	\$50,000
Dorrigo Memorial RSL Club Co operative Ltd.	Upgrade of outdoor stage and hosting of a diverse range of musical acts at Dorrigo Memorial RSL Club.	\$23,925
Four Winds Concerts Inc	An upgrade to performance lighting in the Four Winds Windsong Pavilion to cater for contemporary Australian artists.	\$24,764
Golden Age Cinema & Bar Pty Ltd	Golden Age Cinema presents 'Live on the Golden Stage': a weekly live music showcase supporting a diverse selection of musicians in a unique intimate setting.	\$20,000
Hamilton Station Hotel Pty Ltd	Back Band Room PA and Lighting Upgrades at the Hamilton Station Hotel, Newcastle.	\$25,000
Hardy's Bay R S L & Citizen's Club Ltd	Hardy's Bay Community Club presents up to 18 original artists in a natural bush setting.	\$16,426
Hdr Hospitality Pty Ltd	Upgrade Little Albert's outdoor stage and venue for wheelchair access and regular large gigs, and deliver 170 gigs by original regional/metro artists across Bathurst-Mudgee with marketing-ticketing.	\$49,500
Lake Macquarie City Council	Live Music Lake Mac—a series of intimate live music events at 3 venues in Lake Macquarie between October 2021—March 2022.	\$37,000
Love Culburra Beach Festival Inc	The Burradise Sound Garden in Culburra Beach will increase live music with a yearly program in this regional venue.	\$26,000
MW Sydney Pty Ltd	Support for artists guarantees to increase live music programming and relaunch Max Watts as an integral, touring circuit venue.	\$50,000
Nelson 1963 Pty Ltd	Lazybones Lounge Restaurant & Bar in Marrickville purchases equipment for Australian artists to play original music.	\$18,629
Old Bar Tavern	Upgrade and installation of new PA System to Old Bar Tavern to expand current successful live music program and reach new audiences.	\$27,054
Picnic Stuff Pty Ltd	Weekly events across the iconic Opera Bar and Newtown's Tokyo Sing Song, showcasing local musicians and electronic producers.	\$60,000

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Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Red Floor Productions Pty Limited	Performance fees, staging equipment and promotion for ongoing regional concert program.	\$25,500
Redfern Surf Club Pty Ltd	Permanent PA setup, lighting and acoustic absorption to support a monthly gig showcasing live original Australian music.	\$31,960
Robert Carl Torelli	Infrastructure upgrade of The Music Station, Macksville improving capacity, accessibility and safety to support Platform 21, a monthly program of live original music.	\$33,560
Ruley Pty Limited	Refurbishment of White Horse Hotel to reopen as a new live music venue in the vibrant Inner West of Sydney.	\$54,500
S.J Loxton & S.L Rigby	To upgrade essential lighting and sound equipment to improve the experience for artists and patrons and maintain the Theatre as a viable live music venue.	\$25,000
Studios 301 Pty Ltd	A series of original live performances at Studio 301, Sydney.	\$30,120
The Trustee for the McAvoy Faulks Family Trust	Tallagandra Hill Winery supporting live music with enhanced production and lighting.	\$27,400
The Factory Theatre Pty Ltd	Contemporary Australian Jazz and Blues musicians given new stage for showcasing original work and connecting with new audiences and creating stronger touring circuits.	\$40,000
The Murwillumbah Citadel Pty Ltd	The Citadel installs sound, lighting, keyboard and projection equipment to support live music.	\$27,058
The Red Rattler Theatre Incorporated	ReEnergized Red Rattler program—development of a deep all Australian live music program with great promotion strategies.	\$45,000
The Trustee for Oxford Underground Unit Trust	Oxford Art Factory presents "The Antidote Series"—A number of events brought together to present diverse and inclusive Australian music.	\$35,000
Tiny Little Universe Productions Pty Ltd	Refurbishment of The Great Club live music venue to assist in hosting high quality performances of Australian artists.	\$32,273
Twyford Hall Inc	The newly completed Theatre Twyford presents a curated program of original Australian music, including indigenous and young local performers from the southeast region.	\$30,000
Wauchope Community Arts Council Inc	Wauchope Arts will host a series of live events showcasing original music from Australian touring artists and talented local musicians.	\$13,990

Northern Territory

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Dom's Bar and Lounge Pty Ltd	Upgrades to stage, sound and sound attenuation at Dom's Bar and Lounge, Darwin as the venue	\$10,154
	expands to accommodate live music sustainability in the suburbs.	
R.A.O.B. Club (Darwin) Inc.	PA system installation at Buff Club, Darwin to enhance live music performance.	\$18,000

Queensland

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Drovers Camp Association Inc	A showcase of country music artists in Camooweal.	\$14,250
Elixir Tapas Bar Pty Ltd	Elixir Bar venue improvements and programming support dedicated to expanding diverse Australian talent genres.	\$38,300
HFG Hotels Pty Ltd	Development of the Seabreeze Hotel as an independent, original band venue supporting local artists and national touring acts.	\$41,154
HSW Events Unit Trust	Activating an improved performance space at Felons Barrel Hall via technical upgrades.	\$22,740
Jcast Investments Pty Ltd	The Pirate Den, Mission Beach will help the Australian live music industry recover through improved venue facilities, capacity performances and programming support.	\$34,514
Moonshine Lager Pty Ltd	Upgrades to enhance artists and audience experiences in the Beer Garden and Brewery stage areas at the iconic Imperial Hotel Eumundi.	\$27,878
NT Pubco Pty Ltd	Installation of a noise reduction system to Full Moon Hotel in Sandgate, Queensland to enable the venue to host more live music and larger acts.	\$25,000
Out the Back Australia Pty Ltd	Club Boutique in Cunnamulla provides a mid-year music season catering for peak visitation to Outback Queensland.	\$33,650
Ratpack & Co Pty Ltd	Tomcat Bar to offer free original Australian live music to the greater Brisbane community.	\$36,250
Seidoo Pty Ltd	Installation of PA system, purpose built stage, lighting upgrade, and promotion at Oodies Cafe, Bundaberg.	\$20,358
Tewantin Noosa RSL & Citizens Memorial Club Inc	Support for weekly live music performances by local and touring Australian artists featured "Live & Original" at Tewantin Noosa RSL.	\$18,000
The North Gregory Hotel Pty Ltd	"Bringing the Bush Back to Life" will bring original Australian artists to Winton, QLD.	\$21,250

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
The Tablelands Music Lovers Community	Purchase of a sound/lighting system to support live music events in public venues across Far North	\$24,913
Group Inc.	Queensland.	

South Australia

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Fat Controller Club Pty Ltd	Emergency exit doors upgrade to increase access and capacity and a stage extension to support	\$29,592
	larger touring circuits and grassroots performers from SA.	
Firstlite Pty Ltd	Sunset Sessions 2022 - a great event @ Kingstons Crown Inn.	\$10,000
Grace Emily Holdings Pty Ltd	Programming of original live music at the Grace Emily Hotel, Adelaide from July to December 2021.	\$23,400
KM Hotels Pty Ltd Trading As Federal Hotel	Stage and PA upgrade for the Federal in Port Pirie.	\$9,800
Port Pirie		
J Jagt & J.m Jagt	Helping Three Brothers Arms, Macclesfield to present live music more often throughout 2021.	\$25,000
Mark E Anders And Annabel M Irving	Original Thursdays at The Gaslight showcasing original music.	\$25,480
The Uniting Church in Australia Property	Purchase and installation of permanent in-house sound and lighting system for Trinity Sessions in	\$15,000
Trust (SA)	Adelaide.	
The West Thebby Social Club	New sound equipment for The West Thebby Social Club.	\$9,996
Weslo Holdings Pty Ltd	Thebarton Theatre in Adelaide will host a series of events with Australian bands performing original	\$35,000
	music—unplugged.	

Tasmania

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
David Jack Brereton	Installation of new toilet block at Longley International Hotel to enable more frequent and accessible	\$15,000
	larger events.	
DMD Unit Trust	Equipment and up-skilling staff to elevate original and inclusive live music in a popular suburban hub,	\$33,810
	nurturing local talent and building audiences.	
Royal Oak Hotel Pty Ltd	Sound system/lighting upgrade and installation for the Heritage Bar area of the Royal Oak,	\$54,872
	Launceston to facilitate a series of original acts in the Heritage Bar.	

Victoria

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Archies Creek Public Hall Trust	The transformation of the Archies Creek Community Hall into a unique and intimate professional live music venue in Regional Victoria.	\$33,825
Baltazarh Pty Ltd	Live music programming and upskilling staff on a new PA system for superior sound quality.	\$40,500
Barwon Club Investments Pty Ltd	Support for soundproofing to re-establish a regular live music program at the Barwon Club Hotel, Geelong showcasing quality original Australian artists.	\$50,000
Brickfielders Pty Ltd	Support a series of original Australian artists with backline and front-of-house audio upgrade to improve audience experience and capacity.	\$34,157
Corryong And District Memorial Public Hall Inc	Installation of stage lighting to Corryong and District Memorial Public hall to host local and visiting original Australian artists and increase residents' experience.	\$24,000
Dandenong Ranges Community Cultural Centre	Installation of a professional standard mixer which will enable Burrinja to showcase national touring artists.	\$9,721
Footscray Community Arts Centre Limited	Footscray Community Arts Centre expands music programming and provides skills development for diverse/marginalised musicians.	\$40,000
Furry Meatball Pty Ltd T/A The Carlton Hotel Unit Trust	Fund the re-establishment of live music performances in the venue to increase the capacity and capability to present more shows post COVID restrictions.	\$38,000
Hop Temple Pty Ltd	Purchase of audio equipment, staging and targeted marketing campaign at Hop Temple, Ballarat.	\$25,200
Hotel Mansions Pty Ltd as Trustee for Hotel Mansions Unit Trust	Install a PA System at The Hotel Warrnambool to showcase live original music while operating within COVID19 pandemic restrictions.	\$22,889

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Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
J.A.I.D. Investments Pty. Ltd.	We plan to use these much needed funds to upgrade our production equipment for our rooftop garden to help support our live music community.	\$23,000
Manneron Pty Ltd as trustee for Bennetts Lane Trust trading as the Jazzlab	A special series of live music performances in the specialist jazz and improvisational music genres, showcasing the best in Australian artists in a live venue.	\$47,603
No Retreat Pty Ltd	The Retreat Hotel will curate a special series of shows celebrating its history as a live music mecca and incubator of future headline artists.	\$31,860
Northcote Commercial Pty Ltd	Infrastructure and equipment upgrades at Northcote Social Club to create a more accessible space with better sound and lighting.	\$23,403
Odessa at Leavers Pty Ltd	Structural changes to improve the performance space at Odessa and host a series of quality, original, performances.	\$26,000
One-Six-One Pty Ltd	OneSixOne expands its music base and nights of operation as a live music venue.	\$43,100
Princess Theatre Pty Ltd atf PT Discretionary Trust	Artist fees to support a program of local & emerging acts to play reduced capacity shows at Forum Melbourne.	\$50,000
Queenscliff Music Festival Inc.	The initial creation, setup, and subsequent debut season for the Queenscliff Town Hall, developing the venue as a new live music venue in Regional Victoria.	\$25,000
Swancom Pty Ltd	Infrastructure and equipment upgrades at the Corner Hotel to diversify our offering and create more job opportunities for artists and support personnel.	\$24,454
The Blues Train Pty Ltd	The Blues Train curates and supports a special series of shows aimed at the next generation of contemporary blues and roots artists and their audiences.	\$34,712
The Haviland Group Pty Ltd ATF The Haviland Trust	Support for original live music programming at The Moldy Fig and lighting installation.	\$32,532
The Post Office Hotel	The Post Office Hotel will host a series of live shows to support artists in Melbourne's Inner North.	\$15,000
The Trustee for A J S UNIT TRUST	Reinvigorate Bar Open's diverse original live music program and continue to invest in musicians, audiences, live music and the sustainability of venue.	\$36,400
The Trustee for Markray Investments Unit Trust	The Hotel Shamrock, Bendigo to install suitable new sound equipment for original Australian live music performances at the venue's balcony and basement bar.	\$8,230
The Trustee for MDC Unit Trust	Installation of audio backline and staff training in sound and lighting to create an upgraded venue better equipped and more competitive to offer high quality, live music.	\$36,780

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Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
The Trustee for Revolver Lounge Unit Trust	Vital soundproofing works, equipment upgrades, additional live music programming and marketing	\$55,000
	at Revolver Upstairs to improve its capacity to host original Australian live music.	
The Trustee For Seventh Tipple Trust	Support The Tote's Live Music program for original, emerging bands/musicians under COVIDSafe	\$36,400
	capacity restrictions investing in musicians, audiences, and sustainability of an iconic live-music venue.	
The Trustee for the XL Trust	Accessibility works and music programming at the Exchange Hotel, Horsham featuring a series of	\$50,300
	local original artists.	
Transit Pty Ltd	Re-establishing the Live Music Program at Transport Hotel to bring back Victoria's best, independent,	\$39,380
	original artists back to stage in the CBD, free to the public.	

Western Australia

Organisation name	Activity description	Grant amount
Bar Bes (WA) Pty Ltd	Install sound attenuating structures at Barbes, Perth in order to address noise complaints from neighbouring residents in the CBD.	\$14,155
Clancy's Fish Pub Dunsborough	Enable Clancy's Fish Pub in Dunsborough to purchase PA speakers to create an in house production system.	\$13,942
Good Things in Life Pty Ltd	Upgrades to digital mixing console and stage box to improve quality and consistency of sound production.	\$10,198
Mackerel Islands Pty Ltd	Assist the remote Onslow Beach Resort to host series of performances from original artists.	\$9,900
Multicultural Futures Inc	World Music Café in Fremantle concert series to support inclusion of new world musicians into the local industry.	\$30,000
Ozindo Group Pty Ltd	Renovate and refit the sound and lighting to accommodate more state-wide and national touring acts and upgrade disabled access points and bathrooms.	\$24,111
Rosemount Hotel	Rosemount Hotel will re-open Four5Nine with an upgraded PA.	\$61,000
Starblade Corporation Pty Ltd	Venue improvements at the Duke of George to attract more original artists to a quality performance venue in East Fremantle.	\$46,951
Vahlano Hotels Pty Ltd	New Stage and PA to take original artists to new heights in Mildura.	\$29,000