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RISE Fund

RISE Fund grant recipients—Batch three summary of projects

State / territory	Recipient	Project title	Project description	Amount funded (\$) (excl GST)
NSW	Byron Writers Festival	Byron Writers Festival 2021	Australia's largest and leading regional celebration of writing, storytelling and big ideas, Byron Writers Festival will continue its commitment to showcasing Australian writers and stories.	\$182,000
NSW	Critical Stages Touring	Regional Arts and Touring Re-Activation	Diverse artistic program celebrating regional artists from Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland, touring primarily to regional audiences.	\$222,049
NSW	Sport For Jove Theatre Company Limited	2021 Sport For Jove Education Season	Includes live performances and streamed performances for regional and remote schools, involving professional development mentorship and youth education program.	\$394,928
NSW	Global Creatures Pty Ltd as trustee for the Global Creatures Unit Trust	Moulin Rouge! The Musical	In 2001 Baz Luhrmann's Australian film MOULIN ROUGE! became a worldwide sensation. Twenty years later, the stage adaption of the 'red windmill' will come home to Melbourne, with an all-Australian cast and crew.	\$1,100,000

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NSW	Australian Chamber Orchestra	Australian Chamber Orchestra Studiocasts	The Australian Chamber Orchestra will partner with guest film directors, cinematographers and other artistic collaborators to create eight highly engaging 50-minute concert films with associated online content.	\$250,000
NSW	CDP Theatre Producers	Guess How Much I Love You	A new Australian adaptation of Sam McBratney and Anita Jerram's much loved book "Guess How Much I Love You".	\$183,145
NSW	M87 Pty Limited	knox.live 2122	A new hybrid event that will facilitate the livestreaming of cross artform performances.	\$247,000
NSW	Biennale of Sydney Ltd	Casiquiare Biennale of Sydney new national collaboration model	Inspired by the river that flows both ways, 'Casiquiare' involves collaborating with leading cultural institutions across Australia.	\$280,000
NSW	The Oyster Group Pty Ltd	Midnight: The Cinderella Musical	A new Australian musical putting a modern spin on Cinderella with music and lyrics by John Foreman.	\$866,279
NSW	Blake Entertainment P/L	Rolling Thunder Vietnam	The show combines personal stories from the battlefield, iconic rock songs of the 60's and 70's around the Vietnam war.	\$462,395
NSW	4-D Management Trust	Party in the Park	New Western Sydney annual spring picnic concert series, staged in The Crescent at Parramatta Park, featuring some of Australia's best rock, jazz and music theatre performers.	\$397,700
NSW	Sydney Dance Company	Digital Dance Portal	An online home for contemporary dance performance, training, education and fitness. With the capacity to reach audiences, participants, professional/semi-professional dancers and school students across Australia.	\$561,302
NSW	GFO Attractions Pty Ltd	9 TO 5 The Musical Pre-Production	9 TO 5 THE MUSICAL tells the story of Doralee, Violet and Judy - three workmates pushed to boiling point by their boss.	\$980,000
NSW	Splendour in the Grass Pty Ltd	Splendour in the Grass Music & Arts Festival 2021	Splendour is Australia's premier music and arts festival, with a diverse program spanning music, visual arts, craft, comedy, and science.	\$1,000,000
NSW	The Trustee for AList Entertainment trading as Alist Entertainment Pty Ltd	The Multicultural Comedy Festival	A regional tour celebrating diversity with a star studded line up of Australia's best and emerging comedic talent.	\$660,727
NSW	Brand X Productions Incorporated	Brand X 2021 Arts and Culture Program	Delivering development and presentation opportunities that enables artists to self-produce quality experiences.	\$97,000

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NSW	The Sydney Festival Limited	Kween Lear	A large-scale, immersive, theatrical experience using the narrative structure of King Lear.	\$399,409
NSW	Sand Events Pty Ltd	Beachside Country	Country music festival with street art at iconic beachside locations.	\$240,000
NSW	The Red Rattler Theatre Incorporated	Future Communities	Yearly multi-arts program including artists' residencies, mentorship programs, curated nights and forums - 15 events in total will be live and live-streamed.	\$271,794
NT	Katherine Regional Arts Incorporated	Big Rivers Storyteller Collective	Development of a community digital media collective through themed projects encompassing workshops and a podcast season, delivering digital media literacy skills into regional and remote settings.	\$373,402
QLD	Red Ridge Interior Queensland Ltd	CAMP - Connecting and Making Pathways	Bringing central west Queensland's First Nations' people together to preserve and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders culture via storytelling, dance, song, visual art and multimedia.	\$126,500
QLD	Noosa Film Academy Pty Ltd as The Trustee for The Huglin Family Trust	Remote and Rural Youth Community Digital Cross Art-form Workshops and Community Show case Events	Promoting digital entrepreneurship, online creativity and inspiring visual story telling skills. The digitally based workshops build skills and develop digital framework capabilities.	\$298,445
QLD	Red Chair Pty Ltd	The COMPASS Project	A new micro-touring network that addresses the disruption to regional touring caused by COVID-19 restrictions. Delivering 35 concerts over seven regional tours between May 2021–May 2022.	\$99,115
QLD	Indigenous Art Centre Alliance	IACA Indigenous Art Worker Outreach Program	Brings together expert arts and cultural educators to provide dedicated mentoring for Indigenous Arts Workers.	\$419,000
QLD	Back to the Bush Festival Inc.	Under Western Skies - Reloaded	Held over four days, the project has been reimaged to enable the delivery of a festival that continues to promote the relaxed country atmosphere and celebrates our cultural history through storytelling, music, and cultural arts.	\$90,000
QLD	Pompuraaw Art & Culture Centre Incorporated	Etching and Lino Cut Printing	Pompuraaw engages mentors and trainers to visit artists to assist them in developing their ideas, improve their craft and create new works for sale at venues and art fairs.	\$15,000
QLD	Australasian Dance Collective Limited	Lucie in the Sky : Emotionally Coded Drone Project	A drone and dance show choreographed with human movement patterns, challenging our perceptions of AI with a documentary by Hoodlum.	\$766,919

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QLD	Queensland Music Network Inc – QMusic	BIGSOUND	Australia's largest new music showcase and music conference, featuring emerging Australian artists, putting them within arm's reach of decision-makers, new audiences and opening global digital doors for business.	\$180,000
QLD	Moonshine Larger Pty Ltd - T/A Offbeat Music Festival	Offbeat Music Festival 2021 + 2022	Bringing together a vibrant community of Australian musicians, artists and performers across 3 days in the Sunshine Coast hinterland.	\$425,000
QLD	The Australian Festival of Chamber Music - North Queensland Limited	Australia Festival of Chamber Music Digital	The project will create an online experience of the world-renowned Australian Festival of Chamber Music.	\$196,500
QLD	Placemakers Gold Coast Ltd	Big City Lights	New signature event that celebrates light, installation, live music, architecture, and digital design.	\$520,000
QLD	The Tivoli Theatre	The Tivoli's Open Season Program (Winter Edition) + Princess Theatre Launch	A dynamic program of accessible, experiential and immersive music and arts events that will take place in Brisbane over winter.	\$577,000
QLD	Cross Promotions International II	Beach Fest	A unique micro festival that will feature large-scale installations, circus, branded activities, local music and Indigenous line-ups.	\$450,000
QLD	Woodward Productions Pty Ltd	Sherlock Holmes Live	To produce and tour an innovative adaption of Arthur Conan Doyle's famous "Sherlock Holmes" novels.	\$198,559
QLD	Uplit Association Inc	Brisbane Writers Festival 2021 and 2022	The Brisbane Writers Festival will present two festivals (2021-22) and programming throughout the year in a new hybrid model (online and onsite), with new partners, venues, content and programming.	\$198,433
SA	The Trustee for Momentarily Unit Trust	Alpine 2021	Multidiscipline and cross-art winter festival which celebrates performers, artists and other stakeholders from Australia's performing- arts and live music industries.	\$497,250
SA	Illuminate Adelaide Foundation Ltd	Illuminate Adelaide	A program of exciting and innovative illuminations, concerts, immersive exhibitions, and newly commissioned art installations throughout the Adelaide Central Business District.	\$350,000
SA	Australian String Quartet Inc.	ASQ Re-Strung: A New Model for National Engagement	The project is a new model for national engagement and "borderless touring" through online streaming of music content.	\$194,986

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SA	SA Living Artists Inc	SALA Salon - Integrated Digital Platform	A new integrated digital platform promoting the South Australian arts sector, that will build on the hybrid digital/physical festival model developed in 2020.	\$352,500
TAS	Encore Theatre Company Inc	Mamma Mia	Mamma Mia will showcase 52 performers and musicians in a presentation reaching 10,000+ people in regional Tasmania.	\$79,700
TAS	Sean Le Rossignol Pty Ltd	Pangaea Festival	An inter-generational immersive cultural event highlighting local, national, indigenous and international music artists, performances, circus and visual arts. Will take place over 3 days on Tasmania's east coast in the summer of 2022.	\$202,500
VIC	ARENA THEATRE COMPANY	JOURNEY - a multi-platform immersive adventure	'Journey' is a large-scale, interactive art attraction that uses cutting edge digital technologies to fully immerse participants.	\$602,700
VIC	BalletLab Association Inc	Phillip Adams BalletLab	BalletLab entails two cross-cultural collaborative projects, with regional and metropolitan outcomes and three festival programs produced at Temperance Hall.	\$598,566
VIC	WESTERN EDGE YOUTH ARTS INC.	Future NOW	Celebrating the innovative digital work created in 2020 with an outdoor film festival in Melbourne's west.	\$113,955
VIC	The Trustee for TTI Venues Unit Trust	ZIRK! CIRCUS - The Big Top Spectacular Reimagined	This project delivers that critically acclaimed format with an all-Australian cast and delivery team, bringing, high-quality, entertainment to Sydney's Entertainment Quarter in late 2021 and early 2022.	\$292,978
VIC	MUSO - WE HEAR YOU PTY. LTD.	Muso- The Rise of The Pub Gig	The project will aim to revitalise this section of the industry by working with over 100 venues Australia-wide to put on over 500 local gigs for local communities.	\$221,814
VIC	Castlemaine Art Museum	Castlemaine Art Museum 'Future Beacon'	Castlemaine Art Museum will employ a curator and produce 'Future Beacon' a series of seven artist's commissions over two-years for projection on the exterior façade of CAM's heritage building and two bookend exhibitions.	\$267,750
VIC	Platform Youth Arts Inc	Platform LAB 2021-22	Champions the development and commissioning of new works by young artists living in Western Victoria.	\$269,031

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VIC	David Venn Enterprises Pty Ltd	The Wedding Singer - A Musical Comedy	A musical packed with 1980's references and big production numbers, the show creates a shared experience and celebrates the return of live entertainment in Australia.	\$300,000
VIC	JNB Events Pty Ltd operating under Loch Hart Music Festival	Loch Hart Music Festival 2021 – Restarted & reshaped	Festival with a line-up consisting of predominately regional artists, and dedicated mentoring opportunities for entertainment students and local young people.	\$75,000
VIC	Cartell Live Pty Ltd	So Frenchy So Chic	A music festival celebrating Australia's relationship with France through contemporary music collaborations and live performances, with circus, visual art, craft and music workshop activities for children.	\$367,000
VIC	The Motley Bauhaus	Season of live performance recorded and made available online to launch the new MotleyGO SVOD service	An on demand streaming platform for live performance of a season of new and recommissioned work.	\$78,060
VIC	Leading Star Entertainment Pty Ltd	MUUZO	Innovative digital streaming platform built to showcase Australian artists to a global audience.	\$645,000
VIC	Museum of Chinese Australian History	Digital Cultural Adventures	The museum re-imagines the ways to expand and connect with remote audiences nationally by delivering creative Australian-Chinese performances and immersive cultural experiences promoting intercultural understanding.	\$130,000
VIC	ELISION Incorporated	Connected Hemispheres	A recording and filming project with live performance which expands Australian presence and international profile in the evolving and future-facing experimental contemporary classical genre.	\$75,000
VIC	Madman Events Pty Ltd	Anime Festival	Featuring international guests and exhibitors, cosplay, and super exclusive anime events, Anime Festival showcases Japanese culture.	\$545,000
VIC	Grapevine Gathering National Pty Ltd	Grapevine Music Festival: Restarting and Expanding a Regional Tour	A boutique festival, delivering an eclectic mix of Australian talent combined with world-class production and art installations.	\$473,267
VIC	The Trustee for Beyond The Valley Music Festival Unit Trust	Restarting 'Beyond The Valley': A World-class production in Regional Victoria	Beyond The Valley is a high-profile music and arts festival with new regional partnerships that showcases Australian artists.	\$462,558

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VIC	TEG DAINTY PTY LTD	Bat Out of Hell The Rock Musical	Bat Out Of Hell is an award-winning stage production that has been re-imagined and transformed into an Arena Rock Musical that will premiere in Australia in 2021.	\$453,400
VIC	Watch This Inc	Into the Woods, by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine	A collection of twisted fairy tales that are relevant for audiences in the wake of a global pandemic.	\$98,667
VIC	Abbotsford Convent Foundation	Adaptation	Showcases internationally renowned and celebrated Australian curators and artists through a series of performances and events, enhancing community connectedness, resilience and wellbeing.	\$515,220
WA	Barking Gecko Theatre Company Ltd	Barking Gecko: RISE Project	Through a serious of regional residencies with local children as creative collaborators, Barking Gecko Theatre will create a new production for touring.	\$570,000
WA	Wheatbelt Arts & Events Inc	The York Festival & York Community Arts & Culture Centre	Expanded multi-arts Festival program that includes the launch of a new York Writer's Festival, a program showcasing the crafts of First-Nations and local artisans and the long-awaited revival of the much loved York Jazz Festival.	\$496,177
WA	ZACCARIA CONCERTS AND TOURING PTY LTD	SUMMERSALT 2021	A live outdoor concert series, staged in some of the most picturesque and iconic locations around Australia, showcasing some of the best home-grown performers.	\$726,300
WA	Perth International Arts Festival Ltd	Rodeo Moon	Large scale musical play by West Australian indigenous playwright and musician David Milroy. This event, presented in collaboration with Indigenous theatre company Yirra Yaakin, utilizes local state-based performers and creatives.	\$595,623
WA	The Artists Foundation of Western Australia Limited	Creative-Connected	Program of exhibitions, workshops and arts events as well as a livestreamed festival that responds to connecting in the new normal and how Artsource and its members will embrace the future.	\$620,397