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Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications
Office for the Arts



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RISE Fund

RISE Fund grant recipients—Batch six summary of projects

State / territory	Recipient	Project title	Project description	Amount funded (\$) (excl GST)
ACT	Canberra Comedy Company	Canberra Comedy Festival 2022	To reinvigorate the comedy festival in 2022 with extended festival dates, COVID-safe venues, reduced capacities and flexible performances, while incorporating the re-scheduled 2021 Festival.	\$155,521
NSW	Newcastle Writers Festival	2022 Newcastle Writers Festival and expanded youth program	Newcastle Writers Festival will return to a live festival after three years and foster the next generation of writers by expanding its Hunter Region youth program.	\$200,000
NSW	Wonderlick	Wonderlick to regional Australia	Wonderlick celebrates some of Australia's key music artists with a full stable of artists touring regional Australia.	\$327,667
NSW	The Rubens Music	Valleyways Festival	Celebrating 10 years as a band, The Rubens present "Valleyways", a one day music festival held in Camden, NSW.	\$227,600
NSW	Loudness	Wine Machine	An annual, nationally touring, regionally focused music, food and arts festival set in the most famous wine regions across six states.	\$824,000
NSW	Wollongong Art Gallery	Coomaditchie	An exploration of the history and precarious nature of the local Aboriginal settlement, and the social protests in the early 1960s to save it.	\$83,000

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NSW	Murray Art Museum Albury	Murray Art Museum Albury Artist Commissions	The commission of four new large-scale works by innovative leading Australian contemporary artists.	\$240,000
NSW	Metropolis Touring	Icons Orchestrated	A program of productions touring regional cities. A Symphony Orchestra with guest Australian vocalists perform the songbooks from contemporary music icons.	\$403,400
NSW	Kristie Jane Tainton	Small Fry Rock	A series of rock shows that parents get to take their kids to.	\$99,506
NSW	The Blue Mountains Folk Music Festival Association	The 25th Blue Mountains Music Festival of Folk, Roots and Blues	Restarting Blue Mountains Music Festival in March 2022 with a cultural music program of Australian artists in a COVID-safe environment.	\$150,000
NSW	Lake Macquarie City Council - Arts, Culture and Tourism	Multi-Arts Pavilion Mima presents	The outdoor stage of the Multi-Arts Pavilion Mima will support and celebrate new works by Australian performers, musicians and artists.	\$160,000
NSW	The Oyster Group	Midnight	Rescheduling assistance for a new Australian musical with music and lyrics by John Foreman, Anthony Costanzo and Kate Miller-Heidke.	\$500,000
NSW	South Coast Writers Centre	South Coast Writers Mentoring, Publishing and Festival Program	An integrated multi-stream emerging writers' program, publication of anthologies of writing, and an annual writers' festival that includes the presentation of new works.	\$69,472
NSW	Outback Music Festival Group	Big Red Bash and Mundi Mundi Bash	Birdsville Big Red Bash and Broken Hill Mundi Mundi Bash are the world's most remote music festivals, celebrating Australian music for travellers of all ages.	\$860,000
NSW	Information + Cultural Exchange	First Nations at the Front	A suite of programs of career development and employment for First Nations creatives in Western Sydney.	\$481,452
NSW	TEG Dainty	Guns N' Roses	Rescheduling assistance for Guns N' Roses tour.	\$600,000
NSW	GIG BIG	River Sounds	Rescheduling assistance for River Sounds is a two day contemporary music festival located in the eclectic village of Bellingen NSW.	\$25,000
NSW	Crossroads Live	The Secret Garden	An international, Tony-Award winning musical, returning to Australia for the first time in 25 years in a reimagined interpretation for a new generation.	\$956,771

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NSW	Second Sunday Pty Ltd+B54	Night at the Barracks	Rescheduling assistance for a new arts festival at North Head Sanctuary Parade Grounds, Manly. The event will be a first for this historic site.	\$97,320
NSW	Georgia Mooney	Georgia Mooney presents Supergroup	An acclaimed live concert series in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane that brings together Australian songwriters for one-off collaboration and storytelling.	\$42,000
NSW	Ensemble Theatre	National Tour of Black Cockatoo	A 25 venue national tour of Black Cockatoo by Geoffrey Atherden, directed by Wesley Enoch. This is a new Australian work exploring race relations and national identity.	\$121,204
NSW	The Sydney Festival	The Neverending Story	Development and world premiere of an all Australian stage adaptation of The Neverending Story, an internationally revered book by Michael Ende and 1984 Hollywood film.	\$600,000
NSW	Love Police Touring	Out On The Weekend Festival 2021 - A celebration of Americana music and lifestyle	Rescheduling assistance for an Americana music festival at Seaworks, Williamstown supporting culture, tourism and the local economy.	\$25,000
NT	Red Hot Arts Central Australia	Desert Festival	Desert Festival is a rural arts and cultural festival that incubates new works, provides performance opportunities, and celebrates art and diversity in Central Australia.	\$249,500
NT	Tangentyere Artists Aboriginal Art Centre	Town Camp Designs : Ceramics	Tangentyere Artists will facilitate ceramics skills development workshops at Yarrenyty Arltere, Ewyenper Atwatye and Anthelk-Ewlpaye Town Camps, resulting in new work for exhibition and sale.	\$173,110
QLD	Nautic Giants	Nautic Giants	An inclusive, contemporary and sustainable music festival with a focus on local talent, youth opportunities, innovative environmental technologies and social accountability.	\$100,000
QLD	Australian Romantic and Classical Orchestra	Expanded regional and interstate touring of the Australian Romantic and Classical Orchestra's performance and education programs, digital and online delivery.	The Australian Romantic and Classical Orchestra will present a combination of high quality in-person and online concert performances and education programs throughout 2022 and 2023.	\$560,026

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QLD	Woodfordia	Back on the Road - Festival of Small Halls 2022	The presentation of intimate shows featuring high calibre Australian artists through six tours in remote and regional communities across five Australian states.	\$343,306
QLD	Gympie Muster	Gympie Music Muster Revival	The iconic Gympie Music Muster will celebrate music and mateship, showcasing Australian acts in a picturesque forest setting.	\$1,000,000
QLD	Brisbane Powerhouse	Hap Wah Night Market	With high quality handmade objects and high-impact art and performance, Hap Wah Night Market will be a month-long event staged twice a year.	\$400,000
QLD	Wonderland Entertainment and Leisure	Wonderland Tour	Wonderland Spiegeltent Tour is a spectacle of world class comedy, cabaret, music, theatre, circus and magic featuring Wonderland Spiegeltent and the open air theatre.	\$300,000
QLD	Vast Yonder	Brisbane Street Art Festival	An annual 15 day public art festival that combines large-scale mural installations, workshops, and events to activate Brisbane's creative economy.	\$155,000
QLD	Kicks Entertainment Productions	Spilt Milk Festival Tour: delivering world-class productions for regional Australia	A world-class music, arts and food festival experience in under-represented Australian locations.	\$498,402
QLD	Everybody NOW!	Moving Communities	A two year program for South-East Queensland engaging audiences and artists in participatory performance making.	\$300,000
QLD	The Children's Book Council of Australia	CBCA Sun Project: Shadow Judging	The CBCA Sun Project: Shadow Judging establishes a new landmark on the Australian literary calendar. Young voices will award their winners from the CBCA Shortlist.	\$118,225
QLD	Queensland Festival and Events	Legends on the Lawn	Legends on the Lawn at Mackay will bring the best in Australian live music to North Queensland for one very special event.	\$135,000
SA	Adelaide Festival Centre Trust	Adelaide Guitar Festival	A showcase of leading local, national and international artists at the Adelaide Festival Centre alongside South Australian regional roadshows, wellbeing programs, workshops and masterclasses.	\$310,000
SA	Illuminate Adelaide Foundation	Illuminate Adelaide 2022	A celebration of innovation, music, art, light and technology with an annual program of events by local, national and international artists and companies.	\$520,000

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SA	GWB Entertainment	The Lord of the Rings	An epic stage adventure, bringing characters and creatures from the much loved trilogy to life with an award winning creative team and spectacular stagecraft.	\$890,000
TAS	DarkLab (Dark Mofo)	Dark Mofo	A reimagined Dark Mofo festival that will support Australian artists and industry by presenting large-scale art, feasting, music and COVID-safe experiences in the depth of winter.	\$400,000
TAS	Salamanca Arts Centre	Salamanca Arts Centre Audience Expansion Program 2022-2023	The visual and performing art program builds audiences for local artists, promotes the Salamanca precinct, boosts tourism and trade for allied industries.	\$260,300
TAS	Tasmanian Youth Orchestra	Reimagining youth music and its contribution to the regional arts sector: TYO 2021-2023	Tasmanian Youth Orchestra will fully embed innovative and efficient practices piloted through the pandemic to increase accessibility, build audiences, create jobs and expand regional arts sector opportunities.	\$171,400
VIC	Red Stitch Actors Theatre	Red Stitch Diverse Theatrical Program 2022-23	Supporting arts workers to deliver plays, hospitality-partnered readings, a festival and creative developments with metropolitan, regional and online outcomes.	\$550,000
VIC	Melbourne Bach Choir	Easter at the Melbourne Recital Centre	The expansion of Melbourne Bach Choir's popular annual Easter concert into a mini-festival at Melbourne Recital Centre over two days with an additional two concerts.	\$49,000
VIC	H & H Festivals	Bendigo Chamber Music Festival 2022 – Connect. Awaken. Celebrate.	The delivery of a range of activities for the 2022 Bendigo Chamber Music Festival.	\$40,000
VIC	Melbourne Chamber Orchestra	Melbourne Chamber Orchestra 2022-23 Programs	Program of events in regional, outer-urban and metropolitan Victoria with online streaming. Includes orchestral concerts, chamber music performances, performances for children and engagement activities.	\$390,000
VIC	Blak & Bright First Nations Literary Festival	Blak & Bright First Nations Literary Festival	A festival showcase of First Nations writers, storytellers and artists across mostly free events, over four days in March 2022.	\$100,000
VIC	R T Event Enterprises	Bringing live music back to regional Australia	The 2022 Red Hot Summer Tour will bring back outdoor live music to seven regional communities in ambient and unique locations across Australia.	\$490,000

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VIC	Melbourne International Festival of the Arts	The Wilds – RISING’s transformation of the Sidney Myer Music Bowl	For its 2022 festival, RISING will transform Melbourne’s Sidney Myer Music Bowl into a winter art park and live music hub for thousands to enjoy.	\$575,000
VIC	Live Nation Australasia	The Palace Foreshore Outdoor Arena	A one-month-long outdoor arena and concert series in the iconic St Kilda Foreshore precinct.	\$400,000
VIC	David Venn Enterprises	The Wedding Singer - Rescheduled	Rescheduling assistance for The Wedding Singer Musical Comedy to complete its Australian tour.	\$250,000
VIC	Australian National Academy of Music	The ANAM Set Festival	Rescheduling assistance for the ANAM Set Festival.	\$63,950
VIC	Ballarat International Foto Biennale	2021 Ballarat International Foto Biennale - Festival Extension	Rescheduling assistance for the Biennale.	\$117,700
VIC	Red Hill Entertainment	Land of Plenty and Goulburn Valley Country Music Festival in October 2022	Expansion of Land of Plenty and Goulburn Valley Country Music Festival for two distinct audiences across one weekend in Shepparton.	\$398,727
VIC	Harvey Sutherland	Harvey Sutherland 2022 National Tour	Victorian artist Harvey Sutherland will embark on a national tour in Autumn 2022	\$55,600
VIC	McClelland Sculpture Park+Gallery	Sculpture 22	A one-year multidisciplinary program of newly commissioned art, learning, and digital content projects, delivered in the outer south-eastern suburbs of Melbourne.	\$250,000
VIC	Arts Mildura	SemiArid TriState Festival	Multi-arts festival providing exceptional arts and culture experiences in the Australian regional of the Mallee, Murray and Riverland.	\$338,945
VIC	The Village Festival of New Performance	The Village Touring Program 2022 - 2023	The Village Festival Touring Program includes seven events over twelve months in Victoria and provides significant benefits to diverse and regional artists and audiences.	\$231,444
WA	Contemporary Dance Company of Western Australia	Co3 Community Engagement & Employment Retention Program	An annual season of contemporary dance and community engagement works, providing continuous employment and income opportunities for artistic and production staff over 15 months.	\$635,600

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WA	Concert and Corporate Productions Perth	Bloom sings the Stevie Nicks, Linda Ronstadt, Carole King Songbook	Perth-based nationally-acclaimed musical artist Bloom singing the Stevie Nicks, Linda Ronstadt, Carole King Songbook on a tour of six regional centres in Western Australia.	\$155,000
WA	Royal Jelly Productions	The Wild Campout	Nestled in the hills near Balingup, Western Australia, the Wild Campout is a boutique music, arts, culture and camping festival held over three days and nights.	\$100,595
WA	FORM - Building a State of Creativity	Artists of the South of Western Australia (working title)	In collaboration with key regional partners, FORM will present a series of exhibitions from regionally based artists, online and at its metropolitan hub, The Goods Shed.	\$50,000
WA	Abmusic Aboriginal Corporation	Too Mooditj	Too Mooditj is telling meaningful, place-informed stories in bold and rebellious ways through music, visual arts and storytelling artistic outputs.	\$151,603