

Cultural Services Multi-Arts Residency Program

Cairns Regional Council owns and operates three of the city's key performance and exhibition venues, which attract national and international artists, as well as providing a platform for local artists and access to resources.

Artists Residencies provide space for personal and professional creative exploration and experimentation, enabling career-development opportunities. Cultural Services invite residency applications from artists intending to focus and develop their practice through the creative development of new work.

Projects and artworks produced for and around these venues during a residency, will interpret and amplify the significance of the venue, the city of Cairns and the people who live here, our cultures, our environment, our place in the region and our relationship with the rest of the world.

Key Themes

Initiatives by prospective residencies should respond to one or more of these themes.

1. **Indigenous Cultures**
2. **Asia Pacific Region**
3. **North Queensland Region**
4. **Local Communities and Community Issues**
5. **Local Industry - a focus on activation and programming which builds a deep connection with the local community**
6. **Local History - celebrate our city's unique environment and heritage and celebrates the art and culture created in Cairns**

Initiatives

Proposals for residencies, exhibitions and performance events are assessed against the following criteria, but need not meet them all:

1. **The project and the work should have a high degree of collaboration.** This may be between artists, between artists and communities or between artists and professionals in other disciplines such as science, natural history and cultural heritage.
2. **Projects that involve a high level of creative engagement are encouraged.** Communities and audiences may be involved in the work through participating in production or interacting with the product in a way that enriches the work.
3. **Projects that respond to the site in an innovative way are encouraged.** Works may be site specific, or designed to locate and relocate around the buildings and grounds of the precinct.
4. **Proposals should consider innovative ways of extending the life and accessibility of the work beyond the period of the project.**
5. **Projects that offer a potential for generating income for the artists are supported.**

Proposals may be developed in consultation with the Cultural Services Team and will be assessed internally.

Successful applications can expect support from Cultural Services including:

- Curatorial and/or programming services
- Introductions to potential project partners
- Provision of letters of support to funding bodies and sponsors
- Residency rates for studio/production space
- Possible exhibition or performance space
- Marketing and promotional support
- Handling of ticket sales and/or sales of artworks (ticket sales all through Ticketlink.com.au) please see Council's Fees and Charges for Ticketlink services www.cairns.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/469670/FCTicket.pdf
- Affordable accommodation at No. 5 Collins Avenue

Note

Our venues are well utilised, so there may be times when other projects and events occur concurrently in the same space. We will ensure that multiple bookings are advantageous to one another. This crossover of audiences can be advantageous to artists in residence, exhibitors, performers, and the community.

Accommodation

No. 5 Collins Avenue, Edge Hill is a four-bedroom timber house, built in the traditional “Queenslander” architectural style with a large deck at the back and a lush garden. It includes an office/studio with telephone and wireless internet upstairs and a workroom downstairs. It can sleep up to 5 people as a family or in a share-house situation. It is in walking distance from the Tanks Arts Centre and adjoins the beautiful Centenary Lakes parkland.



Venues

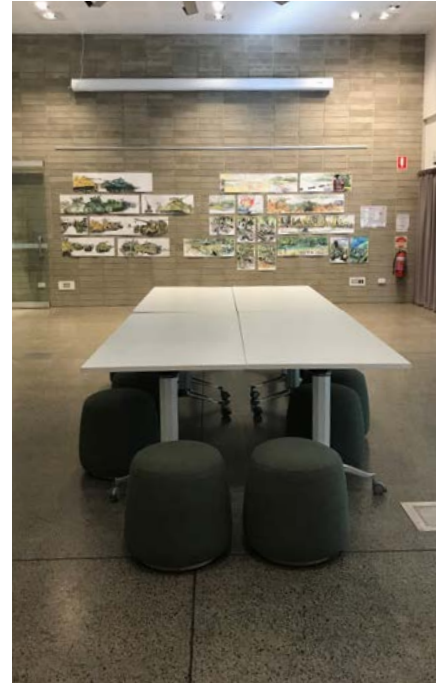
Tank 3 is a partially empty shell offering the flexibility for positioning of table setup (seats 350) and staging.



Tank 4 is a flexible exhibition space containing a flexible gallery area which can be utilised as one large space, or sectioned into a long gallery and two or three smaller corner galleries or artist studio spaces by use of movable display walls.



Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre is a modern multi-purpose space incorporating an outdoor undercover amphitheatre, and an air-conditioned multi-purpose room.



Cairns Performing Arts Centre Studio is a versatile space that can seat up to 372 people and can be reconfigured by the automated flooring system to create raked seating, standing room or a level floor for tables.



The Court House is an art gallery and performance venue in the centre of the city with a variety of different spaces to access.

BARRISTER'S AND BAILIFF'S ROOM



CLERK'S ROOM



Fees Schedule

Residencies		Rate (per week)
Studio space		\$ 96.30
Residency Accommodation	Per room/person	\$ 153.10
Residency Accommodation	Whole house (max 5 people)	\$ 255.00

A minimum of 2 weeks will be charged for short stays.

Cairns Regional Council's Fees and Charges for Cultural Services venues and access can be found here: www.cairns.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/469672/FCVenues-Cultural.pdf

Please see Cairns Regional Council's list of Grant Programs and relevant Council Officer contact details for further assistance in regards to these: www.cairns.qld.gov.au/online/apply/grants



Multi-Arts Residency Application Form

Project Name	
Applicant's Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Phone/Mobile	
Email	

Are you:

An artist — please provide CV and examples of your work

A group of artists — please provide CVs or a group resume with examples of work

Are you partnering this project with anyone else? Yes No If yes, please describe the partnership:

Who is (co) financing, sponsoring or funding your project?

Do you require accommodation at No. 5 Collins Avenue? Yes No If yes, please indicate dates:

Are you willing to share the house with other artists in residence? Yes No

What do you want to do during your residency?

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How long will your residency be?

Please indicate how many hours or days per week you will need to spend in a venue:

Please provide a rough timetable showing different stages of the residency: (provide a separate attachment if necessary)

ACTIVITY	DATES

Please indicate the preferred location of the residency:

Tank 4

Tank 3

Studio Space (Cairns Performing Arts Centre)

Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre

The Court House

Other

What else will you need? (Include tech sheet for audio equipment, furniture, access times etc)

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