

ausDANCE NSW

Ausdance NSW welcomes the news that Create NSW is accepting applications for panellists on their advisory boards. We have seen grants becoming more competitive during the first few months of the crisis. Ausdance NSW has worked on advocating for greater access and transparency in the grant process for artists and producers throughout this pandemic.

We encourage First Nations and CaLD artists and arts workers and people who identify as having a Disability to apply. [Read more about this here >>](#)

The Ausdance NSW Team

Have Your Say

There is a parliamentary inquiry into Create NSW grant programs efficiency and transparency. Individuals and organisations can write a submission. Ausdance NSW will be making a submission. Please get in touch with us if you would like more information or to tell us your thoughts that you would like to be included. [For more information click here >>](#)

Survey Results - Venues for the Performing Arts

Create NSW has released the results of their survey into venues reopening. On July 1, more than 70% remained closed including 27 venues for dance. [For more information click here >>](#)

Federal Government Arts Rescue Package Guidelines Announced

Guidelines have been released on how to access the Federal Government's Arts Rescue Package, RISE.

"The RISE Fund is a \$75 million grant opportunity available in 2020–21 to support the arts and entertainment sector to reactivate. This Fund targets sector organisations who are seeking to restart, re-imagine or create new activities. The program is intended to assist by providing finance for the presentation of new or re-shaped cultural and creative activities and events.

"RISE will support the employment of artists and workers in the arts and entertainment sector, as well as in connected industries such as hospitality, accommodation, transport and freight. This will all contribute to rebuilding Australia's economy, as well as enhancing community wellbeing and access to cultural experiences across Australia, including in outer metropolitan, regional and remote areas.

"The RISE guidelines include eligibility criteria and information about the application and funding process. The Fund will be open for applications on 31 August 2020 and will remain open until all funds are allocated or until 31 May 2021, whichever is sooner.

"If you have any questions or need further information, please email the RISE Fund at RISE@arts.gov.au" [For more information click here >>](#)

AUSPICING WITH AUSDANCE NSW

Ausdance NSW can auspice your project, making many artists and non-incorporated companies eligible for funding. Get in touch with us if you would like to know how this can assist you.

Events and Opportunities

- **UTS CREATIVE RESIDENCIES:** UTS Creative Residencies applications are now open. [Click here to read more >>](#)
- **CITY OF SYDNEY SPACE GRANTS:** City of Sydney Space grants now open. [Click here to read more >>](#)
- **SAMAG WEBINAR:** Racism in the Arts webinar will be held over zoom on Monday 24 August. [Click here to read more >>](#)
- **MARCH DANCE QUESTIONNAIRE:** Complete this short questionnaire for March Dance and tell them what you need from their platform. [Click here to read more >>](#)

Missed an e-news during COVID-19? You can find them on our website [here>>>](#)

WHAT WE ARE READING / LISTENING TO

- **VISION AUSTRALIA RADIO:** Have a listen to TNA speak about their member of the month. [Listen here >>](#)
- **ARTSHUB:** "Initiatives for connectedness and mental health for artists during COVID" by Jo Pickup. [Read here >>](#)

- **RYERSONIAN:** "Ballerinas of color advocate for a change" by Rosemary Akpan. [Read here](#)
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ARE YOU OK

The National Dance Sector Survey has identified mental health is impacting NSW significantly. Our emotional wellbeing at times like this is just as important as our physical health. If you are experiencing increased anxiety due to the COVID-19 pandemic, or someone you know, here are some helpful links and numbers for you to call. Know that you are not alone.

International Association for Dance Medicine and science is offering webinars, podcasts, and other resources aimed explicitly for dancers.

Performing Artists" Mental Health and COVID-19 Webinar Series: This webinar is the inaugural mental health session for professionals who work with performing artists and, in particular, professional and pre-professional dancers. [Learn More](#)

DanceWell: This podcast offers perspectives from 5 different healthcare practitioners on some similar themes, including anxiety, abundant creativity, and strangely, a heightened awareness of the community. [Dancing through COVID-19](#)

The Dance Docs Podcasts: This podcast provides dance-specific support, resources, and hygiene considerations.

[Coping with COVID-19: Dance Specific Recommendations](#) with Kathleen Davenport, MD & Kathleen Bowers, PT

Support Act Wellbeing Helpline 1800 959 500 – a free, confidential service, available 24/7 to anyone who works in the performing arts. We are doing our very best to keep up with the additional demand, but there may be a slight delay. If you or someone you know is at immediate risk, please contact the Emergency Services on 000.

This Way Up - St Vincents Hospital and UNSW - available free for the duration of COVID-19

<https://thiswayup.org.au/>

Phone **Lifeline** 13 11 14, Beyond Blue 1300 224 636, or [click here for additional services](#).

Entertainment Assist Call for Free Mental Health Services for Australian Entertainment Industry Workers

Visit "[Looking after your mental health during the coronavirus outbreak](#)" from **Beyond Blue**.

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