

WOMEN'S ART PRIZE TASMANIA

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Women's Art Prize Tasmania Fellowship Program 2023 Guidelines

Key Information

Applications open: Wednesday, 8th March, 2023, 10:00am (AEDT).

Applications close: Sunday, 30th April, 2023, 11:59pm (AEST).

Fellowship announcement: Friday, 30th June, 2023.

2023 Fellowships commence: Saturday, 1st July, 2023.

Apply online: <https://www.womensartprizetas.com.au/fellowship-how-to-apply>

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1. Introduction

These guidelines outline key information about the Women's Art Prize Tasmania 2023 Fellowship program. Inside you will find:

- objectives and key information about the program
- eligibility,
- application process, assessment and criteria
- management, responsibilities, delivery and completion of Fellowship activities.

You must read these guidelines before commencing an application.

2. About

The Women's Art Prize Tasmania

Inspiring women's art in Tasmania

The Women's Art Prize Tasmania is the state's only female art competition. Administered and managed by RANT Arts and re-launched in 2018, the prize aims to inspire, facilitate and celebrate the development of professional and emerging women artists in Tasmania. The Women's Art Prize Tasmania seeks to inspire through:

- Identifying, promoting, encouraging and celebrating exceptional local and emerging Tasmanian women artists;
- Exhibiting high quality and emerging art to the Tasmanian public;
- Increasing awareness of culture, arts and gender issues within Tasmania; and
- Developing an extensive network of support for women's art in Tasmania through partnerships and sponsors.

New Direction

The Women's Art Prize Tasmania is proud to announce an exciting new direction following its 20th anniversary. Moving forward, the Prize will be delivered biennially with a new Fellowship program being delivered in the alternate years.

Launching on International Women's Day in 2023, the Fellowship program draws upon recent sector consultation highlighting the importance and need for targeted

support. It is designed to support the professional and creative development of artists, arts workers and cultural practitioners.

2023 Fellowship Overview

The Women's Art Prize Tasmania Fellowship program aims to provide self-directed development opportunities for Tasmanian women artists of all art forms and career stages.

In 2023, delivered by RANT Arts and sponsored by Bell Bay Aluminium, three Fellowships are on offer: lutruwita, Emerging Practice and Creative Development.

These Fellowships build upon the Prizes mission to empower and build the capacity of women artists across the state. This new and exciting pilot program draws upon recent sector consultation highlighting the importance and need of targeted development support.

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Fellowship Objectives

The objectives of the 2023 Fellowship program are:

- Creative practice development;
- Professional development and mentoring;
- Networking and profile raising; and
- Capacity building.

Fellowship Categories

In 2023, there will be three \$5,000 Fellowships awarded to women artists, cultural practitioners and arts workers of any artform, one from each of the following categories:

lutruwita: Dedicated Fellowship for an identified First Nations artist, cultural practitioner or cultural worker of any career stage.

Emerging Practice: A Fellowship for Emerging artists & arts workers (i.e. first 5 years of their practice).

Creative Development: A Fellowship for Established and mid-career artists & arts workers.

Fellowship Key Dates

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3. Eligibility Criteria

The following section outlines who is eligible to apply for the 2023 Fellowships and the types of activities that can be undertaken.

Who is eligible to apply for the 2023 Fellowships?

To be **eligible** you must:

- be a Tasmanian resident (either citizens or those who have held permanent Australian resident status) who has held a Tasmanian residential address for at least 6 of the last 12 months in Tasmania preceding the Application Submission Closing date on Sunday 30 April 2023;
- must identify as being female; and
- be an individual with an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location.

RANT welcomes and encourages applicants who are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

To be eligible for the **Iutruwita Fellowship**, the applicant must identify as a First Nation's woman artist, cultural practitioner and/or arts worker.

To be eligible for **Emerging Practice Fellowship**, the applicant must be in the first 5 years of their arts practice or new artform.

You are **not eligible** if you:

- are not a non-Tasmanian resident;
- do not identify as being female;
- are an organisation;
- are a group or collective; or
- are an employee of RANT Arts or Bell Bay Aluminium.

What the Fellowship can be used for.

What the Fellowship **can** be used for:

- Professional development opportunities;
- Mentorships, coaching, workshops and training;
- Self-directed residencies; and/or
- Travel costs (including international).

What the Fellowship **cannot** be used for:

- Delivery or administration of projects by organisations;
- Activities that have already commenced;
- Curriculum based activities including for primary, secondary or tertiary courses (i.e. universities, TAFE etc); and
- Infrastructure costs including building or fitting out permanent structures.

Eligible locations

Fellowship activities are not limited to a specific location, they may be undertaken locally, within Tasmania or outside of Tasmania.

4. How to Apply

Application process

1. **Application:** Applications are completed and submitted online through SmartyGrants via a link on the Women's Art Prize Tasmania website.
<https://www.womensartprizetas.com.au/fellowship-how-to-apply>
2. **Confirmation of Submission:** Applicants will receive an email confirmation from SmartyGrants acknowledging the application has been received.
3. **Assessment:** Applications will be assessed through a competitive process. Successful applicants will be chosen based upon the merits of the application and how strongly they address the assessment criteria.
4. **Notification:** All applicants will be notified of results via email.
5. **Activities Commence:** Successful applicants commence their nominated activities.
6. **Activities Conclude:** Successful applicants conclude their nominated activities within 12 months. Applicants will need to provide a report (supported

by documentation, images and/or work) to evidence the outcomes of their Fellowship and convey the impact and value of their Fellowship experience on their creative practice.

Applicants may apply for multiple Fellowship categories (if eligible), however, an individual may only be selected to undertake one Fellowship.

Fellowship Criteria

All applications to the Women's Art Prize Tasmania Fellowship program will need to address three criteria:

1. Concept:

Please describe your proposed activity and how it aligns with one or more of the Fellowship objectives:

- Creative practice development
- Professional development and mentoring
- Networking and profile raising
- Capacity building

2. Benefit:

Please describe the short-term benefits and impacts this activity would have upon your practice?

3. Vision:

What is the long-term vision for your practice and how will your proposed activity influence, impact, enhance or develop your vision?

Application Form

The Fellowship application form can be completed through either a short written or short video submission. You may preview the form here:

<https://rantarts.smartygrants.com.au/WAPT23>

Video submissions: Applicants may choose to respond to criteria via a short video instead of a written response.

- Each video should be no more than 1 minute in duration.
- May be a simple video recorded on a phone or mobile device.
- Videos will need to be uploaded by providing a link.

- If an applicant requires any technical assistance, please contact wapt@rantarts.com

Application supporting documentation

Videos or supporting material must be uploaded through SmartyGrants to the application form. This may include:

- Video submission;
- Letters of reference;
- Evidence of practice (links, photos, documents).

The application form has further details on where to place supporting materials.

5. Assessment process

Applications will be assessed through an open competitive process. Each application will be ranked based upon the merits of the application and how strongly it addresses the Fellowship criteria and how it compares in relation to other applications.

Who will assess the applications?

A panel comprised of professional and creative women will score and select the successful Fellowship applications. RANT Arts and Bell Bay Aluminium will not be responsible for the selection of successful applicants, this will be the panel's responsibility.

Notification of application outcomes

All applicants will be notified by email on the outcome of their application. No individual feedback will be given. Successful applicants will be invited to enter into a Fellowship agreement.

6. Successful Fellowship applications

Successful applicants will work with RANT Arts to develop and plan their concept activity. This will require confirmation of activities and development of a budget. RANT will support applicants through this process.

Agreement: Successful applicants will be required to sign a Fellowship agreement.

Payment: Successful applicants will receive the Fellowship payment as specified in their agreement.

Reporting: Successful applicants will be required to provide progress updates on their activities as specified in their agreement and a final report upon completion of the Fellowship.

Privacy

Personal information gathered through the Women's Art Prize Tasmania Fellowship application process will be handed with the utmost care in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 and the Australian Privacy Principles.

Confidentiality

Details of *Women's Art Prize Tasmania* Fellowship applications are confidential and will not be discussed outside the parameters of assessment. RANT will ensure all information provided by applicants is secure and strictly confidential unless disclosure is required by law. Assessors may not make public any document or information which is obtained through assessment, unless it is already publicly available, or disclosure is required by law.

7. Contact

For assistance with application process or for more information:

WAPT Administrator will be available to assist with inquiries and trouble-shooting.

Email: wapt@rantarts.com Telephone: (03) 6411 6891

Note: These guidelines may be changed from time-to-time. When this happens, the revised guidelines will be published on the Women's Art Prize Tasmania Website.