

SSF 2027 Artist and Creatives Commission EOI

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Introduction

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Frankston City Council (FCC) is seeking expressions of interest from creatives for artistic works to be presented within the South Side Festival (SSF) period. We encourage creatives across all artistic mediums, platforms, and career stages to apply, there are no creative restraints or parameters so let your imagination run wild!

2027 will be the sixth year of this dynamic series of events and we are so excited to start programming it.

South Side Festival 2026 dates: Friday 7 May to Sunday 16 May 2027

Frankston City Council Funding amount for this EOI category: Up to \$5,000.00 AUD (plus GST if applicable)

The Artistic Commissions to be granted from a pool of \$20,000.00 AUD. The maximum amount that can be applied for is \$5,000.00 AUD (plus GST if applicable).

Funding to be provided in two stages: 50% on signing of the agreement and 50% post-delivery of the project/event and acquittal.

The EOIs are assessed and selected by a council appointed sub-committee of the Frankston Arts Advisory Committee and panel.

Key festival objectives

- showcase and connect local creatives, artists and businesses
- demonstrate artistic integrity, uniqueness and innovation in creative output
- accessibility and inclusion
- foster cultural tourism and attract visitors from outside the municipality
- empower and develop the communities capacity to deliver their own content and contribute to the South Side Festival program
- generate regional and state media coverage that attracts broad audiences
- increases the value, perception and pride of Frankston City

Key dates:

Monday 6 July 2025: EOIs open 9am

Monday 10 August 2025: EOIs close midnight

Successful applicants will be notified by mid-September 2026.

Please note, applicants can apply for either Frankston City Council's Artist Project Grants or the South Side Festival Artist Commissions – not both in the same financial year.

Terms and Conditions

- Eligibility for funding does not guarantee an application will be granted. Council has full discretion on funding decisions and these are final

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- Allocation of funds to an applicant for any purpose in any year must not be taken as a commitment by Council for funding in a subsequent year
- Only one application per financial year, per applicant, per EOI round will be accepted
- If you have or are going to apply for the 2026 FAC artist grant you are ineligible for South Side Festival's artist commissions.
- Each application will be considered on its own merits
- Retrospective funding is not available
- Council's contribution will be limited to the amount of the commission. All other costs associated with the proposed project / activity will be covered by the applicant
- Council reserves the right to publicise any aspect of activity associated with its funded programming. Recipients must assist Council with publicity, as required
- Successful applicants will be expected to invoice Council, spend and acquit their funding by 30 June of that same financial year
- Successful applicants who receive funding must provide accountability, acquit back to Council and share the story of their experience via the online Accountability form
- Funding is not available for applicants who have not previously complied with commission conditions (including unable to properly account for prior funds; have not spent funds for the agreed purpose; or have not returned a detailed accountability form for previous years' grants)
- Funding is not available for staff members, their immediate family member, Councillors or contractors to Frankston City Council
- Funding is not available for commercial or profit making organisations; political parties or political events
- Applicants who are currently supported by Frankston City Council through a funding program for the same concept and/or activity are not eligible. Funds must be acquitted on the activity for which they were allocated (unless otherwise authorised in writing by the Committee).
- Comply with all relevant child safety legislation which may include, but is not limited to, The Victorian Child Safe Standards (2022) and The Child Wellbeing and Safety Act (2005). Council *may* request evidence of compliance. If you are unsure about your responsibilities in relation the Victorian Child Safe Standards visit <https://ccyp.vic.gov.au/child-safe-standards/> (**open in a seperate tab**). If you would like further information about Council's approach to child safety please email childsafe@frankston.vic.gov.au
- Commissions will be cancelled and requested to be returned if the Committee have made an allocation with:
 - False or misleading information, as provided by the applicant;
 - The applicant withdraws from the activity;
 - Is not undertaking the activity as applied; and, or
 - The activity has been cancelled. Unspent monies must be returned to Council.

Do you accept these terms and conditions of the grant? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Important Information Eligibility Check List

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Applicant Status

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Please select your application status. *

- ☐ Organisation
- ☐ Community/Collaborative Group
- ☐ Individual

If applicable, name of organisation or group *

Public Liability Insurance

Does the applicant have Public Liability Insurance (\$20 million)? Not mandatory. *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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Applicant Selection Criteria

Is the applicant located or operating within the geographical boundaries of the FCC municipality?

Note: To be eligible for the Artistic Commissions EOI, applicants DO NOT need to be located in, or operate in, the FCC municipality.

Please select one *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Applicant Selection Criteria

Has the applicant received funding from FCC in the past or currently?

Please select one *

- ☐ Yes, in the past
- ☐ Yes, currently
- ☐ Never

Applicants can apply for either Frankston City Council's Artist Project Grants or the South Side Festival Artist Commissions – not both in the same financial year.

Applicant Selection Criteria

Will your project/event be presented within the SSF dates and the FCC municipality?

Note: your project/event must be presented within the SSF dates and the FCC municipality to be eligible.

Please select one *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (ineligible)

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Applicant Selection Criteria

Is your project/event for a private event/function, for a business or exclusive group (including schools)?

Please note: applicants who select yes will be ineligible.

Please select one *

☐ Yes (ineligible)

☐ No

Ineligible

Unfortunately, the answer you've provided on this form have indicated that you may be ineligible for this grant.

Please refer to the grant guidelines for more information regarding eligibility or contact the Heidi Irvine on heidi.irvine@frankston.vic.gov.au before continuing.

Applicant Details

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Applicant

Applicant *

First Name

Last Name

Organisation (if applicable)

Organisation Name

Position *

Applicant Phone Number *

Applicant Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Applicant Postal Address *

Address

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Website (if applicable)

Must be a URL.

Is the applicant above different to the key contact of this application? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Key Contact Details

First Name

Last Name

Position

Key Contact Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Key Contact Email

Must be an email address.

Project Details

* indicates a required field

Project Overview

Please give us a clear description of what your project and outcome will be and how it aligns with the festival objectives and offers a new and exciting artistic vision *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Project Specifics

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Please outline if your project will culminate a single event, series of events, performance, exhibition, installation or other. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Please outline if your public event/s will be ticketed and if so proposed ticket prices. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Is the project content: *

- ☐ new/never presented before
- ☐ pre-existing/has been presented before but will be redesigned/tailored for SSF.

If the work is pre-existing how will you make the project unique for SSF? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Please attach a collated document of any reviews or media below

Attach a file:

Program Placement

Program placement of the artistic commissions will be at the discretion of SSF. Please indicate any crucial production or venue elements and if they are covered in your budget. If you have a specific venue in mind (or confirmed), specific times of day/dates the work should be presented please provide that information here.

Must be no more than 100 words.

Budget

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Please list your project expenses to be paid for from the FCC funded up to \$5,000.00:

Expenditure	\$
	Must be a dollar amount.
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Budget Total

Please enter your budget total: if your budget exceeds the maximum \$5,000 commission, you are required to attach a detailed budget below *

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

Detailed Budget

Attach a file:

Support Material

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Please attach one document of compiled Bios/CVs of at least one and maximum of three members of the leadership and/or creative team. *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Please attach supporting documents and or images/videos to illustrate your proposed vision

Attach a file:

A maximum of 2 files may be attached.

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Additional upload

Attach a file:

A maximum of 2 files may be attached.

Please provide up to three links to support your organisation's capacity to develop and deliver your vision.

Certification

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Declaration and submit

I certify that

- The information in this application and any attachments is true and correct
- I am authorised to submit the application on behalf of the organisation (if applicable)
- I understand that if Frankston City Council approves the grant, I will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the grant application, policy and/or letter of approval.

I agree *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Date of certification *

Must be a date.

Privacy

Privacy Statement

The personal information on this application form is collected by Frankston City Council for the purposes of assessing eligibility for funding and for the management of any South Side Festival funding provided. Council may also use the personal information to distribute mail of interest such as: events, information and other funding opportunities. Applications for some grants may be provided to a panel with community members for assessment. Information about awarded grants, including the amount and the project name, is made public. Personal information about individuals is not made public, except for the names of artists receiving South Side Festival funding. Personal information will otherwise only be used as authorised by law. For further detail about how Council handles personal information, or to access your information, see Council's privacy policy at www.frankston.vic.gov.au or contact Council's privacy officer on 1300 322 322.

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How did you hear about the EOI?

You are now nearing the end of this form. Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

How did you hear about the festival and EOI? *

- ☐ Frankston City Council Website
- ☐ Frankston Arts Centre Website
- ☐ Frankston City Council FaceBook
- ☐ Frankston Arts Centre FaceBook
- ☐ South Side Festival EDM
- ☐ South Side Festival E News
- ☐ Word of Mouth
- ☐ Discover Frankston Website
- ☐ Frankston Arts Centre EDM
- ☐ Other:

If Other, please let us know EG another entities Facebook or website