

Community Partner Program – FAQs

Who is eligible to apply to the Community Partner Program?

Organisations and community groups who work with those who rarely, if ever, get the opportunity to visit Arts Centre Melbourne.

Our community partners include organisations of all sizes, from local government through to small volunteer-run community groups, and offer support and services to people from a wide range of backgrounds and circumstances.

The Community Partner Program is not available to individuals.

What does the Community Partner Program provide?

Fully funded visits to Arts Centre Melbourne including ticket costs and some assistance with travel as required.

The Community Partner Program also offers inclusive participatory initiatives and events; opportunities for your community to get involved in the arts.

Where do the funds come from?

All Community Partner Program experiences are paid for through generous donations provided to the First Call Fund.

The First Call Fund was established in 2008 thanks to the incredible generosity of Arts Centre Melbourne's philanthropic supporters. Since then, the fund has continued to grow through the generosity of many different Victorians who share our belief that everyone deserves the opportunity to engage with the arts in a meaningful way.

How do we apply?

Simply fill in the online application form.

We will be in touch within three weeks to discuss the outcome of your application and next steps. In 2018, applications will open in June and close August 10.

How often can Community Partner groups attend events at Arts Centre Melbourne?

Community Partners are encouraged to make the most of the partnership. We recommend that you experience a breadth of performances, workshops and experiences at Arts Centre Melbourne across the year.

Keep in mind, all shows and workshops are subject to availability.

Get in touch with the Community Engagement Coordinator on 03 9281 8784 or email community@artscentremelbourne.com.au to discuss your options.

What types of performances or events can Community Partners access through the program?

Subsidised tickets are available for all Arts Centre Melbourne Presents performances and workshops (subject to availability). Other performances may be available from time to time, so contact the Community Engagement Coordinator (03 9281 8784 or community@artscentremelbourne.com.au) if there is a particular show that is of interest to your community members.



What is required of a Community Partner?

When coming on board as a Community Partner, you will be asked to agree to the Terms and Conditions.

We require one person from your Organisation to be our key contact. This person will be our first point of call for any opportunities at Arts Centre Melbourne, as well as bookings.

We want the partnership to be beneficial and have an impact on your community. We encourage Community Partners to book for a variety of experiences. We appreciate bookings made in advance and ask to be notified of any changes to numbers at least 10-days before the scheduled performance. We ask all our Community Partners to complete a post-visit evaluation. Your feedback is invaluable.