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### LOCAL ARTS AND CULTURE GRANTS OPEN

Local councils, not-for-profit organisations and Local Aboriginal Land Councils can now apply for funding to support creative cultural infrastructure projects that improve arts and cultural facilities.

This funding is part of the NSW Government's \$72 million Creative Capital program. Minor Works and Equipment grants are available for minor capital works projects, master-planning and equipment including systems for recording, broadcast and digitisation.

Minister for the Arts Ben Franklin said the Minor Works and Equipment round of the NSW Government's Creative Capital funding program will reinforce NSW's position as the national leader in the creation and presentation of arts and cultural experiences.

"NSW is known for producing world-class arts and cultural experiences. It's critical the cultural infrastructure in our state matches our artistic aspirations, and we have gold-standard facilities to showcase this extraordinary creative talent," Mr Franklin said.

"Creative infrastructure funding will support new and improved facilities as well as allow organisations to purchase essential equipment that enables artists to create and present vibrant and innovative work.

"It also ensures the many museums, galleries, performing arts and cultural centres throughout the state are fit-for-purpose, accessible and meet the needs and expectations of communities across NSW.

"Everyone deserves access to high-quality creative experiences, and the NSW Government's ongoing commitment to creating world-class arts and cultural infrastructure ensures the State's creative sector has the capacity to innovate, reach new audiences and develop skills."

Applications for Minor Works and Equipment Round Two for grants between \$5,000 to \$250,000 is open from Monday 11 July 2022 and closes at 12pm on Monday 8 August 2022. Guidelines are available on the Create NSW website at [www.create.nsw.gov.au](http://www.create.nsw.gov.au)

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