

DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND MUSEUMS

# **2015 Project Round 1 – Assessment Report**

The 2015 Arts Grants Project Round 1 offered up to \$15 000 per grant to support arts activities in all regions of the Northern Territory and \$10 000 in funding to support opportunities for early career artists.

#### \$150 000 in grants awarded

The 2015 Project Round 1 closed on 23 March 2015. Arts NT received 32 applications across four categories - Arts Development, Presentation and Promotion, Skills Development and Emerging Artists.

\$150 000 in funding was offered to 13 successful applications following the decisions made by a peer assessment panel.

#### **Assessment Panel**

The 2015 Project Round 1 assessment meeting was held on 15 May 2015 and included Ms Gillian Banks (Chair), Mr Tim Newth, Mr Liam Cambell and Ms Denise Officer. The Project Round assessment panel provides a spread of expertise across regions, art form or discipline, arts management, regions, gender and cultural backgrounds. The panel is selected from the Arts NT Peer Register and approved by the Minister for Arts and Museums.

Feedback from the panel for future applications included:

- the importance of detailing employment and artists' fees where relevant in the budget;
- the need to include in the budget, an estimate of the income amount to be generated from ticket sales and the sale of works;
- the need for greater detail in respect to project timelines; and
- the need to include quality support material to strengthen the vision and story of the project.

#### **Art forms and Regions**

The panel considered the merit of all applications against the project category objectives and assessment criteria. The panel also considered track record of support, art form and regional spread, diversity of applicants and participants including new applicants, Indigenous, youth, disability and cultural diversity.

### **Funding Statistics**

- 13 applications received funding (40% success rate) including:
  - 10 individual applications: \$120 200
  - 3 group applications: \$29 800
  - 1 Indigenous identified project: \$15 000

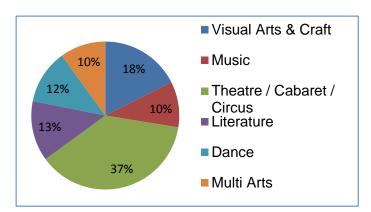
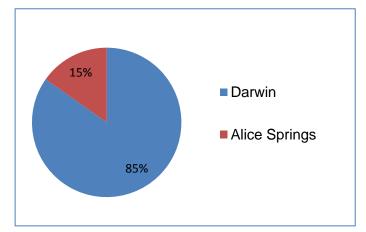
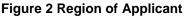


Figure 1 Artform





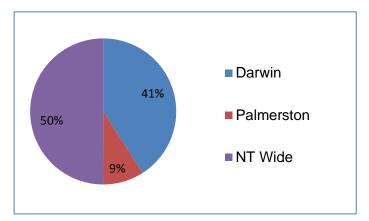


Figure 3 Reach of Projects

Figures 1 and 2 provide information about art form and region of applicant for funded projects. Figure 3 shows the extended reach of projects nationally and internationally.

## **2015 Arts Grants Project Round 1 – Funded Applications**

Applicant	Title	Applicant Shire / Town	Art Form	Amount Approved
	ARTS DEVELOPMENT			
Mary-Anne Butler	To adapt Highway of Lost Hearts into a memoir	Darwin	Literature	\$10 000
Michelle Morris	Shellie Morris - New album	Darwin	Music	\$15 000
Luke Scholes	A development and reading of Kwementyaye	Alice Springs	Theatre	\$15 000
Neridah Stockley	New Drawings – Alice Springs	Alice Springs	Visual Arts	\$7 809
Aaron Lim	Development of new work by D*City Rockers and Tiny Toones	Darwin	Dance	\$15 000
Johanna Bell	Developing Spun: True Stories told in the Territory	Darwin	Literature	\$9 750
			SUB TOTAL	\$72 559
Applicant	Title	Applicant Shire / Town	Art Form	Amount Approved
	PRESENTATION AND PROMOTION	N		
Darwin Visual Arts Association	In the Woods 15	Darwin	Visual Arts	\$12 000
Aimee Gray	Creatures of Habit - Production	Darwin	Theatre	\$15 000
Arafura Ensemble	Hamish McDonald	Darwin	Theatre	\$14 604
			SUB TOTAL	\$41 604
Applicant	Title	Applicant Shire / Town	Art Form	Amount Approved
	SKILLS DEVELOPMENT			
BreakdanceNT	Breaking the Silence 2015	Darwin	Dance	\$2 800
Arts Access Darwin	The Open House Project	Darwin	Multi Arts	\$15 000
Sandra Thibodeaux	New Directions in Top End Theatre	Darwin	Theatre	\$11 500
			SUB TOTAL	\$29 300
Applicant	Title	Applicant Shire / Town	Art Form	
	EMERGING ARTIST			
Joel Mitchell	Inheritance	Darwin	Visual Arts	\$6 537
			SUB TOTAL	\$6 537
			GRAND TOTAL	\$150 000