

## APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOR NEW ENGLAND ARTS GRANTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

February 2020

### Introduction

The Association of Australian Decorative & Fine Arts Societies (ADFAS) and Rotary Clubs support local individuals and not for profit organisations to engage in projects *“that inspire young people with a lasting enthusiasm for the arts, an awareness of our arts heritage and its conservation and to expand the horizons of young people through their involvement in creative arts”* ([http://www.adfas.org.au/other\\_youngarts.html](http://www.adfas.org.au/other_youngarts.html)).

ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central offer support by providing small grants each year to enable people, up to and including 25 years of age at the time of application, educated or living in our region to engage in arts-related activities. Funding for these grants is provided by a program which includes contributions by ADFAS Armidale members, raffles at ADFAS Lectures and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central fundraising.

Not for profit organisations and individuals can apply to ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central requesting grants. A joint ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central committee recommends which grants will be approved and their value to the two organisations.

Grants (one per individual or organisation) may be recommended each year at the committee's absolute discretion, usually in the range of \$500-\$3000. Depending on demand and the merits of applications, grants may be awarded for all or some of the funds sought.

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Armidale ADFAS and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central may also make independent grants at other times.

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Applications for grants to support projects will be accepted from individuals and not for profit organisations and will be assessed and ranked on the following guidelines. The projects should:

- *Be arts-related (any recognised forms of artistic endeavour, including visual and fine arts, music, performance, design, etc).*
- *Offer opportunities and experiences to young people up to and including 25 years of age at the time of application and educated or residing in the New England or North West of NSW.*
- *Benefit a number of participants (both artists/performers and audiences).*
- *Take into account relative disadvantage of participants, including remoteness, disability, socio-economic status, and Indigenous status.*
- *Have the potential to promote lasting/sustainable development personally and/or in community arts activities in the New England and Northwest.*
- *Include, where relevant, some supporting evidence of achievement so far.*
- *Indicate how your organisation will acknowledge any support obtained from ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central (see ‘Reporting and Acknowledgement’ below for minimum requirements).*
- *Indicate how you or your organisation will measure the outcomes from its project in terms of the guidelines.*

- *Include an anticipated completion date (latest 31 March 2021) and send reports regarding successful completion of programs, acquittal of funds and local advertising, by 30 June 2021.*

Applications will only be accepted using the ADFAS Armidale/the Rotary Club of Armidale Central Young Arts Grant Application form, available on request from email [youngartsnewengland@gmail.com](mailto:youngartsnewengland@gmail.com) .

Using the ADFAS "Young Arts - Getting Started" guidelines as a guide, the following are suggestions for projects which could be considered for funding:

- Awards and scholarships for students pursuing arts related activities,
- Travel Stipends to attend arts related activities/events,
- Purchase of arts-related materials for special projects/events/activities Sponsorship of local youth art groups,
- Support for school visits by peak performing arts bodies,
- Arts-related workshops, including school holiday artistic programs,
- Other support for arts-related activities, including competitions or performances,
- Assistance to attend activities organised by ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central.

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**Please note:** A Tertiary Music Scholarship (\$1500) for study of the practice of music or composition at an approved tertiary institution is offered separately as part of the New England Arts Grants for Young People. It is awarded to a school leaver with outstanding musical potential who is planning to make a career in music. Tertiary Scholarship guidelines are available separately from email [adfसारmidale@bigpond.com](mailto:adfसारmidale@bigpond.com)

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## **Funds Available**

Estimated total funds available for the Young Arts small grants budget currently average \$8,000 per annum. ADFAS Armidale and the Rotary Club of Armidale Central will review the budget each year to take into account available funds when determining the amount available.

## **Calendar 2020-2021**

- **November/December, year prior to grant:**  
Advertise applications will be invited in the New Year.
- **Mid-Late February:**  
Applications invited. Guidelines/applications forms made available to interested individuals and organisations.
- **End March:**  
Applications close.
- **Mid -Late April:**  
Successful grants announced.
- **At appropriate times:**  
Reports received regarding successful completion of programs, acquittal of funds and local advertising, by 30 June 2020 at the latest.

Young Arts Grants Committee  
May 2020