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Inspiring SA Arts and Science Grants 2022

There are wonderful stories to be told about the scientific research, innovation and discoveries that have happened and are happening in South Australia. There are stories to tell that can help us better understand ourselves and the world around us. The aim of this grant is to support the arts and STEMM (science, technology, engineering, maths and medicine) coming together to tell locally relevant STEMM related stories to the wider community and/or to explore locally relevant STEMM related issues.

Inspiring SA is inviting applications for funding to develop and produce a Science-Arts Project. Projects can be delivered anywhere in South Australia but links with at least one regional organisation (outside of metropolitan Adelaide) are encouraged. The lead organisation will be required to have public liability insurance and an ABN.

This grant round is not looking for business as usual projects, but instead looking to support new ideas and collaborations between science, technology, engineering, maths, medicine and the arts.

Grants of up to **\$7500** are available for the development and production of a science engagement or communication project that links at least two organisations, including at least one STEMM and one arts organisation or individual practitioner.

The outcome(s) may take the form of a performance or series of performances, film, augmented reality, virtual reality, gaming, photography, music or an installation or a combination of more than one. The project must be completed by no later than 31 March 2023.

The performance, exhibition, showing, screening or installation can be ticketed at prices agreed with the Inspiring SA Program Manager and in line with the agreed budget.

The project may be part of a larger event or festival. The project or event could be a pilot of a long term program/project. Project or event could be a starting point for a broader program/event with a long term outcome.

Projects that have already applied for an Inspiring SA grant round in 2022 will not be eligible for this grant round but organisations are welcome to apply for more than one grant with different projects. To give your application the best chance of success please make sure your project or event meets the essential criteria and as many desirable criteria as possible. All questions must be answered completely.

STEMM organisations could include public or private research organisations (such as industry, universities, government), science/research centres and education (such as universities and schools).

Arts based organisations/practitioners could include art schools, galleries, theatre/dance/music/literature groups, cultural centres, film (including AR and VR), animation, gaming and photography.

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Ineligible projects or events:

- Initiatives designed to take place during National Science Week (August)
- School based projects only for school students – this grant round is designed as a broader science engagements, schools may apply if the grant will be used for broader community engagement
- Activities, events or programs occurring outside of South Australia
- Applications seeking reimbursement of funds already spent
- Requests for training and development of paid staff
- Attendance to conferences, tradeshows or award ceremonies
- The application is for an event/festival that denigrates or excludes any groups in the community

Essential criteria:

- A collaboration between at least one STEMM organisation and one arts organisation or practitioner
- Tell a locally relevant story or explore locally relevant issues through at least one art form
- The audience(s) for the project is broad and community-based (i.e. not industry or academia)

Desirable criteria:

- Project or event has a link to at least one regional organisation (either STEMM or arts)
- Projects or events that harness curiosity or broaden scientific literacy or create a personal connection through experiences to learn more about STEMM research or industries or educational opportunities or employment and enjoyment
- Demonstrate imaginative or innovative project/event content, design and/or delivery
- Project or events that engage underrepresented groups in STEMM such as girls and women, disabled people and culturally and linguistically diverse people

Post event reporting and evaluation

A short report will be required once the project is complete, including details of project/event, the audience, audience feedback, lesson learned of funds. This will be due by one month post the delivery of project/event

Key Dates

Applications open	4 July 2022
Application close	22 August 2022
All applicants notified	23 September 2022
Successful applicants submit valid tax invoice	17 October 2022
Project or event delivered	31 March 2023
Post event report and evaluation submitted	Not later than 1 May 2023

How to apply

- Complete the Grant Application Form and email the form to Alison Kershaw, Inspiring SA Program Manager at alison.kershaw@samuseum.sa.gov.au by 5pm Monday 22 August 2022.
- Late submissions will not be considered
- Incomplete forms will not be eligible for funding

If you have any questions, please contact
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