



Calling all Young Artists and Young Creative Champions of Queensland

Represent Your Region as a “Youth Delegate” at Arts Ablaze 2019

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If you are a young artist or champion of the arts (aged 15-25) we want to hear from you!

You could be a young theatre maker, dancer, painter, sculpture, photographer, musician, film maker, writer, poet, (or emerging artist in any other arts form that you can dream of). You may even be a young person who’s simply passionate about the arts and have an interest in championing the arts in your community.

Arts Ablaze 2019 will be providing 20 young and emerging artists from across QLD with the opportunity to attend this amazing arts event. Part conference, part festival – Arts Ablaze will bring arts and cultural leaders from across the state to Kooralbyn Ramada Resort from the 2nd to the 6th of October, in Scenic Rim to share and celebrate their artistic work and to transform attitudes, access, people and places through regional arts practice.

And it just wouldn’t be the same if we didn’t have an inspiring crew of young people join us for the party!

If selected as a ‘Youth Delegate’ in the ‘Youth on Fire,’ program you will be in for a game-changing experience. ‘Youth on Fire’ invites young artists to present and/or talk about their artistic practice as a part of the Arts Ablaze Conference and to make some wonderful new relationships in the process.

Through your inclusion in this program you will receive:

- A Full Delegate Pass including access to the full conference [attendance at all performances, workshops, discussions, key notes and the Various Conference Dinners.]

- Remote Mentoring via Webinar prior to the Conference in order to prepare yourself and your work for the conference – this will be provided by the Leadership Team from Goat Track Theatre.
- Camp Style Food & Accommodation for the duration of the Arts Ablaze Conference as well as support for the duration of your stay.
- A “Youth-Only” Mentoring Program throughout the Conference on how to transform your mindset, arts practice and how to be a champion of the arts in your local community
- The opportunity to share your artistic work at a State Conference.
- The opportunity to talk about your work at the conference through a PechaKucha presentation (Don't worry we didn't know what it was either)
- The opportunity to share your experiences with other young artists from across the state and to network with other early career artists.
- The opportunity to attend the Conference as a delegate and talk with leaders of the Arts and Cultural Community.
- The opportunity to interact as a panellist, MC or performer if these are seen as relevant to your skill sets and passions.
- The opportunity to attend and contribute to the Regional QLD Youth Forum (to be held on the last day of the conference.)
- The opportunity for your work to be shared at The HEARTh –the youth marquis throughout the festival.

Sounds Hot?

We agree.

If you'd like to apply for this once in a lifetime opportunity, please check out our FAQ's and get in touch with your local Regional Arts Services Network to have a chat.

'Youth-On-Fire' Producer,

Andrew Wright



FAQ

What is Arts Ablaze?

Arts Ablaze is a conference and a celebration of regional arts in Queensland. Managed by the Scenic Rim Regional Council, the event focuses on the TRANSFORMATION of regional communities and arts practice through ATTITUDES, ACCESS, PEOPLE and PLACE. These themes were formed through sector conversations to ensure that Arts Ablaze is relevant and a mechanism for change.

When will the Arts Ablaze program be released?

The full program will be released in July.

When and where is Arts Ablaze?

Arts Ablaze will be held in and on the grounds of the Ramada Resort Kooralbyn Valley. The Conference part of Arts Ablaze will commence Wednesday 2 October and conclude Friday 4 October 2019. The conference section of Arts Ablaze will be ticketed for delegates attending. The Celebration part of Arts Ablaze kicks off Friday afternoon and is a free event for all to enjoy.

Celebrations commence from 5 pm Friday night and conclude Sunday afternoon at 5 pm. Early bird booking for the Conference close on 30th August 2019.

Where is Kooralbyn?

Kooralbyn is approximately 22 kilometres southwest of Beaudesert just over an hour from both Brisbane and the Gold Coast. The Resort has its own airfield for private aircraft should you wish to fly in.

Contact Ramada Resort Kooralbyn Valley for more details.

Why should I attend the Arts Ablaze conference?

Queensland has not had a state gathering for the arts since 2013. We are the most decentralised state in Australia and access to arts opportunities, product and skills is difficult. We know that the arts are important to our individual wellbeing and education and to the vibrancy of our communities. Arts Ablaze will provide a platform to shape the arts sector, career paths in the arts and creative communities of Queensland.

This is not just another conference or festival. Arts Ablaze will be a reflection of the Queensland arts scene. Your voice is important. Your contribution is important and central to our objectives of transformation of attitudes, access, people and place.

What is 'Youth on Fire'?

Youth On Fire is a program within Arts Ablaze that is specifically designed for young people from Regional Areas in Queensland aged between 15-25 who are aspiring and emerging artists, cultural workers and all round cool people! Youth On Fire will be run by one of Australia's leading Youth Arts Organisations, Goat Track Theatre. The program will include mentoring and performance/pitch readiness in the lead up to the conference along with other valuable workshops during the conference and of course networking opportunities.

Find out more about Goat Track Theatre here <http://goattracktheatre.com/>

What is the heARTh?

The heARTh is a specific designated area within the Arts Ablaze conference that will be programming specifically youth work. It will consist of a 100pax marquee tent with a stage and gallery. Directly to the side of the main heARTh marquee will be 4 glamping bell tents which is where the PechaKucha will be programmed. The heARTh will be run BY young people FOR young people in order to share your talents to the rest of the conference delegates and WE WANT YOU THERE! The heARTh also has a separate camping area set up just for us.

How many people will be involved in the heARTh program?

The hearth is set up to accommodate 20 delegates.

What is the accommodation provided?

We have 4 glamping bell tents set up in the delegates camping ground. These comfortably sleep 8-10 people per tent with lots of head room ... and they are pretty cute too! The heARTh campsite also has a kitchen set up for your convenience. Toilets are located onsite.

What do I need to bring?

Firstly, yourself!

You will need to bring all of your personal camping items such as sleeping bag, air mattress, toiletries, clothing etc. for the week. We will send a PACK LIST for your perusal closer to the day. You also need to bring everything related to your "project" i.e. music equipment, files, artwork, costumes etc. Again we will communicate closer to the conference in preparation for getting you ready.

What sort of project can I bring to The heARTh program?

Anything really!

You can bring any artform: visual art, photography, film, music, poetry, dance, theatre, sculpture, and writing. The only considerations are size and scope. For example, you might have a 50 person dance piece. We would not be able to accommodate 50 people or have the space to present this piece. Instead you might want to show a film recording of the dance and share with us the process of how you got to the final product. Another example might be a massive sculpture exhibition that is too expensive to transport down here. Instead bring some photography that displays the exhibition.

For the purpose of the EOI simply apply - we can always scale back how you present it.

What is a PechaKucha and do I need to prepare one?

PechaKucha is a storytelling format, where a presenter shows 20 slides for 20 seconds of commentary each (6 minutes and 40 seconds total). PechaKucha have become popular formats to present in business and educational settings.

What are my commitments should I be successful?

There will be 3 x ZOOM Webinars leading up to the conference. These will be recorded but ideally we want you there live. Dates to be supplied. You need to be able to arrive 1 day prior to the start of the event on the 1st October for the orientation day. Lastly, you need to be available for the duration of the conference and festival 2nd – 6th October.

If I am bringing a group to the heARTh for my project, what are the group size limitations?

There is a little bit of flexibility in the size of groups and this will be assessed on a group-by-group situation. We are trying to allow as many different people from across all of Queensland the opportunity to be involved so there may be instances where you will need to make adjustments. For example, your cast might be 20 people. For the conference you might need to bring only 3-5 showcasing scene excerpts or a recording of the performance.

Is food catered/provided?

Your food & accommodation is 100% provided from the 1st October through to the completion of the festival 6th October 5pm. This will either consist of lunch and dinner provided at the conference or camp breakfast at The heARTh campsite.

Are dietary requirements catered for?

All dietary requirements will be catered for. Please specify on the EOI your specific requirements.

Safety and Supervision

For your comfort and safety, the Youth On Fire campsite for Youth Delegates will be cordoned off and separate from the general campsite. Goat Track Theatre will be hosting and supervising you. All team members are Blue Card holders and the company has a current Child Protection Policy in place.

Transport

All transport to and from the conference will be your own responsibility. Transport required during the event will be looked after and provided by the event. Whilst staying at the conference you will mostly be walking between events and stages however there are golf buggies available for delegates with mobility issues.

**Please be advised that the successful participants will need to be able to purchase a Conference Ticket (approx. \$390) and arrange their own travel.*