

Philanthropy Incentive Program

The Philanthropy Incentive Program intends to encourage individuals, groups of individuals, and businesses to establish prescribed private funds, foundations or other charitable trusts (together referred to as **Funds**) that are philanthropic to the arts.

The Program enables the Department of Culture and the Arts (DCA) to contribute an amount of up to 7.5% of the initial capital funds of an eligible Fund to an arts organisation of the Fund's choice. This donation is capped at \$50,000 and will give due recognition to the Fund.

The essential element for participation in the Program is a donor who establishes, or intends to establish an eligible Fund, whether in the form of a prescribed private fund, foundation or other charitable trust. The donor can be a business, an individual donor, or a group of donors.

To be eligible, Funds must comply with certain criteria, which include the requirement that a Fund be established with an initial capital contribution of \$500,000 or more.

Ongoing expressions of interest are sought from individuals, groups or businesses who wish to establish new Funds to participate in this Program in order to leverage their contributions with an additional contribution from the State Government to the arts in Western Australia.

DCA and Artsupport Australia encourage all interested parties to contact the WA Manager of Artsupport Australia to discuss options for giving and their eligibility for the Program, regardless of whether they have identified an arts organisation who they would like to support.

The benefit of this Program is that it allows eligible Funds to effectively cause a donation to be made to arts organisations at the commencement of the Fund. In addition, the Program allows donors who are setting up Funds to view first hand the benefits to the community of a gift made to the arts, and aims to assist in the establishment of relationships between arts organisations and donors.

The Program has been established by the Department of Culture and the Arts (DCA) with administrative assistance from the Australia Council for the Arts through Artsupport Australia – see www.australiacouncil.gov.au/philanthropy.

For further information or to register your interest for this Program please contact:

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For a full list of the eligibility criteria for the Program please see the Guidelines which are available on the DCA website– www.dca.wa.gov.au/projects/arts_cultural_dev/ignite/philanthropy_incentive_program