



## ARTS NORTH WEST ANNUAL DISABILITY ACTION PLAN

### Introduction

ANW Annual Disability Action Plan is informed by Arts North West Disability Action Policy which was ratified by the Board in March 2016. This DAP was developed in consultation with internal and external stakeholders, including Accessible Arts NSW, key arts and cultural organisations involved in the New England North West arts and disability sectors, and contractors with legislative and technical expertise. The consultation identified remaining access barriers and explored current trends and best practice in the area of disability and access.

The Action Plan aims to inform the public as to how we are approaching diversity and inclusion in the New England North West arts and disability sector and will be reviewed annually.

### Arts North West Disability Action Plan 2019

<i>ANW Disability Action Policy</i>	<i>Actions 2019</i>
Facilitate opportunities for people with disability through the EnAble Arts network which will provide improved access to information and services for people with disability.	ANW will continue to facilitate networking opportunities for people with a disability through the distribution of event information through the Facebook group and email database.
Ensure that EnAble Arts events and workshops are located in buildings and facilities physically accessible to people with disability.	Any EnAble Arts projects that are developed and facilitated ANW in 2019 will be fully inclusive and located in buildings and facilities that are physically accessible.
Ensure that research and planning is under taken when developing Arts North West programs and projects to be fully inclusive of artists and audiences with a disability.	ANW will incorporate accessibility into 2019 and future project planning and program development by referring to our Arts and Disability Manual
Ensure that Arts North West continues to advocate for disability policy that support the wants and needs of the arts and disability sector of the New England North West.	In 2019, ANW will continue to make available online the Regional Arts and Disability Manual to advocate and assist organisation make changes to build a more inclusive arts and disability sector in the New England North West.
Ensure that the principles of universal access and social inclusion are promoted across the community where possible.	Event information released through Arts North West will include access information and encourage people of all abilities to take part in Arts North West projects and professional development workshops.
Ensure that marketing is accessible to the widest audience.	Ensure the inclusion of access symbols in Arts North West marketing.