



## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST BOARD MEMBER

### About Arts North West

Arts North West supports and facilitates arts and cultural activity in the New England North West.

Based in Glen Innes, Arts North West is the regional arts development organisation for the New England North West of NSW. It is a not-for-profit incorporated association, and is supported by the NSW Government through Arts NSW and the partnership of 11 local government authorities (Armidale Regional, Glen Innes Severn, Gunnedah Shire, Gwydir Shire, Liverpool Plains Shire, Moree Plains Shire, Narrabri Shire, Tamworth Regional, Tenterfield Shire, Uralla Shire and Walcha Councils)

### Our Vision

A rich cultural landscape in the New England North West of NSW.

### Our Mission

To generate creative opportunities in the New England North West of NSW.

### Arts North West Strategic Plan 2020-2022 Core Objectives

- Develop and broaden our diverse audiences and their participation in arts and cultural activities
- Grow and support community cultural capacity
- Forge strong partnerships and networks across the region
- Provide sound and effective corporate governance to ensure a sustainable organisation.

Arts North West facilitates the development of arts and cultural projects and initiatives across the whole region, building a rich cultural landscape in the New England North West and increasing participation in arts and cultural activities. We play a vital role in building cultural community capacity, through advice and advocacy, through substantial professional development provision and with the forging of key partnerships and networks throughout the region.

Arts North West acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional custodians of the lands we work on; we recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of Aboriginal people and respect the Aboriginal Elders past and present. Arts North West is assisted by the NSW Government through Create NSW and the partnership of 11 local government authorities in the New England North West



## **Arts North West Team**

Arts North West is supported by 5 employees providing a range of practical services and support by engagement with stakeholders, regional artists, local organisations and their communities, including state and national bodies, different levels of government and other industry sectors. Arts North West staff have relevant professional qualifications and extensive experience in the delivery of all its programs.

## **About the Board of Arts North West**

### *Conditions:*

Arts North West Board positions are all voluntary and each appointment is for an initial three-year term. The Board of Arts North West meets on four occasions within the year.

### *The key role of the Board includes*

- Optimise the performance of ANW
- Ensure that ANW complies with relevant legislation, regulations and contractual arrangements
- Setting broad strategic parameters as part of the tri-annual planning process and monitoring implementation against the strategic plan
- Ensuring legal compliance and government funding body requirements
- Approving operating budgets and maintain financial oversight
- Appointing the Executive Director and reviewing their performance annually against the strategic plan
- Advocating on behalf of the organisation
- Attending and actively contributing at 4 board meetings per year.

### *Key selection criteria:*

- Relevant experience on a board, committee or related capacity and/or preparedness and capacity to learn
- Ability to apply strategic thought to key issues
- Prepared to question, challenge and critique, and be an active contributor
- Willingness to understand and commit to the highest standards of governance
- Proven or emerging community and or business leadership qualities
- Interest in the arts and or the role that the arts can play in regional communities
- Effective interpersonal and communication skills
- Strong community networks.

### *Skills required*

To be able to help Arts North West build support for the arts and have strong and effective relationships within our region. As part of being a skills-based board, individuals with skills in one or more of the following areas are invited to consider nominating for the Board.

- Arts, arts practice, arts administration
- Financial management
- Governance, business and strategic planning
- Human resources management
- Information technology communications
- Legal expertise in a not-for-profit organisation
- Local Government
- Marketing/fundraising
- Regional community and cultural services development
- Regional economic and/or tourism development
- Risk management/insurance

If you are passionate about regional arts and have the capacity to steer and influence this small, yet highly productive organisation, then please consider putting in an application.

### **Selection process**

- A selection panel consisting of the Arts North West Chair, one other Board Member and the Executive Director will shortlist and interview potential candidates for the position of Board member
- Recommendations from this process will be made to the Board for consideration and appointment
- Appointments will be made based on skills, experience and capacity

For more information contact Executive Director Lauren Mackley  
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# EOI APPLICATION

## BOARD MEMBER OF ARTS NORTH WEST

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you identify as:

- Culturally and Linguistically Diverse
- Person with a disability
- Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Descent.

Are you

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to state

Which LGA do you represent \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Knowledge, Skills, and Experience</b>	
Please indicate your knowledge, skills, and experience for each category	
Advanced = 3      Intermediate = 2      Beginner = 1      None = 0	
Arts, arts practice, arts administration	
Financial management	
Governance, business and strategic planning	
Human resources management	
Information technology communications	
Legal expertise in a not-for-profit organisation	
Local Government	
Marketing/fundraising	
Regional community and cultural services development	
Regional economic and/or tourism development	
Risk management/insurance	

Short Biography (150 words)

Why do you wish to sit on the Board of Arts North West ?  
What are some of the key attributes you believe you will bring as a delegate (max 150 words)

**Applications close 10 October, 2022**

Please complete the EOI Application and send attention to Anna Watt, Chair of Arts North West  
[rado@artsnw.com.au](mailto:rado@artsnw.com.au)

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