

NEW GROUND 2023

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I apply if?

- 1. I don't live in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire Council or Greater Dandenong City Council?**
No, you must live, work or practice within the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire Council or Greater Dandenong City Council.
- 2. I work for the City of Casey?**
No. It is considered a conflict of interest if you are employed by the City of Casey Council.
- 3. I volunteer for City of Casey?**
Yes.
- 4. Have been contracted by City of Casey for a performance or service role?**
Yes.
- 5. I am in more than one artist collective or working on more than one project, can I apply more than once?**
No. Only one application is allowed per group, collective or person.
- 6. I am a student?**
Students may apply however the proposed project must not be a part of an assessment in the course of study.
- 7. My project has already started?**
No. This New Ground commission calls for new work that responds to the provocation, *'borders and boundaries'*.
- 8. I have applied for other funding?**
Yes. Providing your new work meets the criteria of the New Ground 2023 commission you can include additional funding for your project.
- 9. I was a successful applicant for New Ground 2022?**
No.

When I apply?

- 1. How do I apply and when do applications close?**
To submit your application please [Read the Program Guidelines here](#) and [APPLY ONLINE VIA SMARTYGRANTS](#).
Applications close on Monday 20 March, midnight (VIC local time)
- 2. What do I need to provide for my application?**
Once the round opens, you can preview the New Ground 2023 application form [here](#).
- 3. How much can I apply for?**
There are three commission tiers available:
 1. Solo: \$4,000 - \$7,000 available
 2. Small group/collaboration (2-3 people): \$4,000 - \$7,000 available
 3. Collective or larger collaborative group (4+ people): up to \$14,000 available
- 4. Who assesses the application?**
Applications are checked for eligibility by the Arts Programming team. Eligible applications are then assessed by an independent assessment panel. The full amount requested may not be approved, the assessment panel may recommend partial funding.
- 5. When will I know the outcome of my application?**
Applicants will be notified of the outcome mid - April 2023.
- 6. If I'm successful, when do I get funding?**
Funding agreements will be distributed, and funds dispersed at the end of April 2023.
- 7. Can I present my project elsewhere?**
Outcomes using New Ground 2023 commission funding must be presented at Bunjil Place on Saturday 16 September 2023. If you choose to develop and present the work after this date it must be done outside the New Ground 2023 commission funding.
- 8. Can I talk with the Arts Programming team about my new work/project?**
Yes. The Arts Programming team are available to discuss your new work/project. Please contact the team on 9792 7250 or email arts@casey.vic.gov.au

