



# **BRIMBANK ART SPACES**

# **ARTIST STUDIO PROGRAM APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

### **General Information**

Applications are now open for the Keilor and Sunshine Art Spaces Artist Studio Program.

We are currently seeking applications for three studios from practitioners working within any of the arts disciplines (visual, literary, performing, media) for studio terms of one to two years.

If you are an artist based in the West and looking for a creative space in a supportive arts environment, the Brimbank Art Spaces may be for you.

The Keilor studio is located upstairs at Keilor Community Hub on Old Calder Highway, Keilor with an additional studio located in the historic Overnewton Gatehouse on Old Calder Highway, Keilor. The Sunshine studios are located on City Place in the heart of Sunshine. All studios feature Wi-Fi, natural light, a shared kitchen, access to water and toilet facilities.

We welcome diversity and encourage submissions from First Nations peoples, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and people with disability.

Joint applications from individuals or a group of artists willing to share the space are welcome.

# Applications close on Monday 2 October at 11:59pm

#### **Keilor Studio Locations**

Keilor Community Hub 704b Old Calder Highway Keilor VIC 3036

Overnewton Gatehouse 804 Old Calder Highway, Keilor, VIC 3036

## **Sunshine Art Spaces Studio Location**

Behind Sunshine Art Spaces Gallery 2 City Place Sunshine Vic 3020

# **Enquiries**

For further information or to discuss the application process, please contact:

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#### **Creative Brimbank Vision / Mission Statement**

Creative Brimbank encapsulates artists and community coming together. We invite everyone to participate and collaborate towards building a vibrant, connected and creative community. Council is dedicated to ensuring the arts are part of everyday life in Brimbank, as well as developing artistic thinking in the community through the work of the Arts & Culture team and beyond. We advocate for the inclusion of arts in the west by bringing quality experiences in performing and visual arts, and delivering an engaging program of creative workshops, festivals and events.

# **Keilor Studios**

The **Keilor Community Hub studio** is a private studio located upstairs at Keilor Community Hub and is available to emerging or established artists for a period of one to two years at a cost of \$33.00 per studio per week including electricity and Wi-Fi. The studio is approximately 6m long x 4m wide. Joint applications will be considered.

The space is secure with after hour's access and onsite parking. It features natural and fluorescent light, carpeted floors and access to running water. Artists have access to shared kitchen and storage facilities.

The **Overnewton Gatehouse studio** is a private studio located inside the Overnewton Gatehouse in Keilor and is available to emerging or established artists for a period of one to two years at a cost of \$33.00 per studio per week including electricity and Wi-Fi. The studio is approximately 4m x 4m

The space is secure with after hour's access and onsite parking. It features natural and fluorescent light and access to running water, toilet facilities and a shared kitchen. Studios may be shared with other artists.

#### **Sunshine Studios**

The Sunshine studio is a secure studio in a shared space behind the Sunshine Art Spaces Gallery. This studio is available to emerging or established artists for a period of one to two years at a cost of \$33.00 per studio per week including electricity and Wi-Fi.

Both studios are secure with after hour's access. Artists have access to shared kitchen and storage facilities.

All spaces have natural and fluorescent light and access to running water. Studios are secure, have afterhours access, timber or vinyl floors and storage.

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## **The Artist Studio Residency Programs**

Resident artists are required to enter into a licence agreement with Brimbank Council for a period of 12 months. The program is intended to enable artists to extend and/or develop their own arts practice and enrich the arts and cultural life of Brimbank during the course of their time in the space.

The studio program provides networking opportunities and advice in relation to Community Cultural Development as well as opportunities to engage in exhibition and workshop programmes. Council has a strict Occupational Health and Safety Policy with which resident artists are expected to comply.

## **Eligibility**

- Open to artists of all disciplines (visual, literary, performing, new media arts etc.)
- Aged over 18 years old
- Individuals, groups and organisations are all welcome to apply
- Must have a demonstrated connection to Brimbank
- We promote diversity and encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists, culturally and linguistically diverse, artists living with disability and members of the LBGTQIA+ community to apply.
- Have Public Liability Insurance (PLI) or have the ability to obtain PLI
- The application is received no later than 11.59pm Monday 2 October 2023
- All applications must be submitted online. Please contact us for assistance if required.

#### **Timelines**

Applications open: Friday 1 September 2023

# Site Visits - Keilor Community Hub Studio

RSVP required – <u>artspaces@brimbank.vic.gov.au</u>

- Tuesday 12 September 4:30pm to 5pm
- Wednesday 20 September 2:30pm to 3pm

#### Site Visits - Overnewton Gatehouse Studio

RSVP required - artspaces@brimbank.vic.gov.au

- Tuesday 12 September 4pm to 4:20pm
- Wednesday 20 September 2pm to 2:20pm

#### Site Visits - Sunshine Art Spaces Studios

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- Wednesday 13 September 10am to 10:30am
- Tuesday 19 September 10am to 10:30am

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#### **Selection Criteria**

#### Essential

- A demonstrable commitment to arts practice. This could include formal studies or exhibition/publication history. The Art Spaces program strongly supports emerging artists. Therefore, limited exhibition/production/published history will not detract from your overall application assessment.
- The potential and creative talent of the applicant
- The potential to engage the community in creative activities.
- A demonstrated connection to Brimbank.

#### **Desirable**

- The commitment of the applicant to make use of the studio opportunity
- Activities that engage one or more priority groups, for example, the First Nations, people who are socially disadvantaged, people with a disability, aligned with the vision in Council's Social Justice Charter, will be highly regarded.

#### **Selection Process**

Applications will be assessed by a panel comprised of Council representatives including Brimbank City Council's Arts and Cultural Development Unit. Applications will be shortlisted according to the Selection Criteria. Shortlisted applicants may be invited to meet with the selection panel. All applicants will be notified of the outcome in writing.

# **Required Information**

- 1. Completed application form
- 2. Artist CV
- 3. Support Material

# **Support Material**

Applicants should include the following material in support of their application:

Visual Artist	No more than 12 images. New media artists may choose to identify an appropriate website that displays their work.
Musician/composer	A recording on a website link.
Writer	Two copies of up to two manuscripts. Total maximum 30 pages each.





Performer/	Video with footage of 15 minutes or less OR 10 images and the
Choreographer/	option of up to 3 pages of written material.
Theatre Maker	

**NB** All audio-visual materials should be self-playable and recorded in a format that is universal. You should not rely on the Committee to have particular software required to view your support material.

Applications that do not have the required support material will not be accepted.