

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 two studios from practitioners working within any of the arts disciplines (visual, literary, performing, media).

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 in the historic Overnewton Gatehouse on Old Calder Highway, Keilor and the Sunshine studio is located on City Place in the heart of Sunshine. Both studios feature Wi-Fi, natural light, a shared kitchen, access to water and toilet facilities.

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

Applications close on Monday 8 February at 5pm

Keilor Studio Location

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

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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.

The Studios

The Keilor 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 \$31.70 per studio per week including electricity and Wi-Fi. The studio is approximately 4m x 4m.

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 \$30.00 per studio per week including electricity and Wi-Fi.

Both studios are secure with afterhours access. Artists have access to shared kitchen and storage facilities. Studios may be shared with other artists.

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

The Artist Studio Residency Programs

Resident artists are required to enter into an agreement with Council via the Art Spaces program. 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 CCD as well as opportunities to engage in exhibition, education and workshop programmes. Council has a strict Occupational Health and Safety Policy with which resident artists are expected to comply.

Artists must have and maintain Public Liability Insurance if they are successful with their application.

Eligibility

We are interested in receiving expressions of interest for the Artist Studio Program from artists working across all art forms including visual, literary, performing and new media arts. Emerging artists (within their first five years of practice) and artists from diverse cultural backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria

Essential	
Arts Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A demonstrable commitment to arts practice. This could include formal studies or exhibition/publication history. • The potential and creative talent of the applicant. (Please note that the Art Spaces program strongly supports emerging artists. Therefore, limited exhibition/production/published history will not detract from your overall application assessment.)
Description of Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artistic merit and innovation • Development of activities which engage the community in arts activities, preferably with a CCD framework. • The potential to engage people in creative activities.
Desirable	
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent interpersonal skills • Team player • Energy and enthusiasm • Artists from within Brimbank and the Western Region are strongly encouraged to apply • The commitment of the applicant to make use of the studio opportunity • Activities that engage one or more priority groups, for example, the indigenous community, 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:

<i>Visual Artist</i>	No more than 12 images presented as slides, photographs, on disk in jpg form, or as hard copy exhibition flyer/catalogue. New media artists may choose to identify an appropriate website that displays their work.
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<i>Musician/Composer</i>	A recording on CD, DVD, USB or website. If the device has multiple tracks please nominate the tracks to which the Selection Panel should listen.
<i>Writer</i>	Two copies of up to two manuscripts. Total maximum 30 pages each.
<i>Performer/ Choreographer/ Theatre maker</i>	A DVD or video with footage of 15 minutes or less OR 10 images presented as slides, photographs, on disk or flyer/catalogue and the option of up to 3 pages of written material.

Please note: 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.*

Privacy Statement: The personal information requested on this form is being collected by Council for reference and identification purposes. To ensure confidentiality of information requested, we will only use personal information provided by you for the purposes of offering Council services and programs. The information may also be disclosed to third party providers acting on behalf or as agents of Council or in instances where Council is required by law to release or make the information available. Applicants understand and consent to the information being used for the above purposes and he or she may apply to Council for access to and/or amendment of the information. Requests for access and/or correction should be made to Council's Privacy Officer.