

Junction 2010 Volunteer Assistance WHEATBELT ROUND

Country Arts WA is keen to see as many people as possible from regional WA participate in the Regional Arts Australia national conference Junction 2010 in Launceston from 26 to 29 August 2010.

With assistance from the Wheatbelt Development Commission, Country Arts WA is opening an exclusive funding round to subsidise the cost of attending the conference for community volunteers in the **Wheatbelt** region.

This is a fantastic opportunity for regional volunteers in the Wheatbelt that has been made available through the Royalties for Regions Wheatbelt Regional Grants Scheme.

Guidelines

Who can apply for this assistance?

Any individual working in a volunteer capacity for a community-based organisation in the **Wheatbelt** may apply for Junction 2010 volunteer assistance.

Grant monies will only be paid to a **community-based organisation holding an ABN**, therefore all applicants must be auspiced in their application.

A signed letter of support from the organisation that is auspicing the applicant **must** be submitted with the application.

Additional material including up to three relevant letters of support, and up to two pieces of other relevant support material may be submitted with the application.

Applicants who can demonstrate funding or assistance through additional sources from their own community arts organisations, local government or any other available source will be looked upon favourably. However, applicants **cannot** be recipients of the Department of Culture and the Arts Artflight funding for Junction 2010.

Applicants who have received alternative Junction 2010 Volunteer Assistance from Country Arts WA **cannot** receive funding from this round.

The Regional Arts Fund Quick Response Grant will not be available for volunteer travel assistance for Junction 2010 outside of this funding round.

What assistance is available?

Applicants may apply for funding **up to \$1,500** (excluding GST) for the costs associated with traveling to and from Launceston and the conference registration fee.

Costs associated with travel may include airfares, road travel and any necessary en route accommodation (not accommodation in Launceston).

Conference registration fees will be funded at the **full individual rate** (\$600 inc GST or \$545.50 exc GST), or at the **tertiary student/under 21 years rate** (\$375 inc GST or \$340.90 exc GST), or at the **RAA Affiliate Member rate** (\$550 inc GST or \$500 exc GST). To be eligible for the tertiary student rate applicants are required to be enrolled full-time and provide a copy of their student card with their application.

To be eligible for the under 21 years rate applicants are required to provide a copy of proof-of-age with their application. To be eligible for the RAA Affiliate Member rate, applicants or the Auspice organisation must be a member of Country Arts WA.

Country Arts WA membership benefits include:

- Discounts on performance fees for tours and conference registration fees
- Discount hire rates with Hertz Car Rental
- Discount accommodation rates at the Seasons Apartment Hotel Group
- Quarterly newsletters and other information publications
- A copy of the Annual Report
- Nominating rights for the Board of Country Arts WA
- Voting rights at Annual General Meetings

For information about becoming a Country Arts WA member, or to check your existing membership, contact Sabrina Durham on regional freecall 1800 811 883.

Country Arts WA members and stakeholders receive discount rates at the Seasons of Perth Hotel. If you are required to stay overnight in Perth as part of your travel to or from Launceston we recommend taking advantage of these discount rates. For more information please contact Sarbina Durham on regional freecall 1800 811 883.

As funds are limited, it is advised that applicants **do not** confirm travel plans until Country Arts WA has approved funding.

Special consideration will be given to applications which align with the Country Arts WA Priority Areas:

- Indigenous applicants,
- Young applicants (Individuals under the age of 18 will need to travel with a guardian. Guardian travel costs **cannot** be included in the Junction 2010 Volunteer Assistance application)

Applications

Due to the limited funding in this round, applicants are encouraged to ensure that their application is as competitive as possible. Country Arts WA advises applicants to follow every point on the application cover sheet.

You must contact the Project Officer, Sarah Vaglivello prior to completing the form to ensure you understand and properly address the funding criteria on the Country Arts WA regional freecall number 1800 811 883 or 08 9200 6200 or email **info@countryartswa.asn.au**.

Junction 2010 volunteer assistance applications must be **received** by 5pm on Monday 12 July 2010. Methods of application submission are detailed in the application form.

Late applications will not be accepted.

The standard application form must be used. A signed letter of support from the organisation that the applicant is representing must also be submitted with the application. Additional material including up to three relevant letters of support, and up to two pieces of other relevant support material may be submitted with the application.

Application and Country Arts WA membership forms are available at **www.countryartswa.asn.au** or by calling Country Arts WA on regional freecall 1800 811 883 or 08 9200 6200.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome via their auspice organisation from Monday 19 July 2010.

For more information about Junction 2010 visit **www.junction2010.com.au**.