

COVID-19 INFORMATION, RESOURCES & SUPPORT



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Introduction

COVID-19 is a rapidly evolving, unprecedented situation. To keep you up-to-date, Museums & Galleries Queensland has prepared the following resources to support our sector through this challenging time.

Above all, we encourage you to take care of yourselves and those around you by observing social distancing, staying informed and adhering to the recommended health and safety measures.

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Advice & information

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Up-to-date information, advice and resources from the Federal Government can be accessed from the following websites:

Federal Government homepage

<https://www.australia.gov.au/>

COVIDSafe app

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covidsafe-app#get-the-app>

WhatsApp channel

<https://api.whatsapp.com/send?phone=61400253787&text=To%20learn%20more%20about%20COVID-19%20in%20Australia%2c%20press%20the%20send%20button%20%E2%86%92&source=&data>

Office for the Arts

<https://www.arts.gov.au/covid-19-update>

Australia Council for the Arts

<https://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/about/covid-19/>

Department of Health

<https://www.health.gov.au/>

The Treasury - Economic Response to Coronavirus - JobKeeper payment

<https://treasury.gov.au/coronavirus/jobkeeper>

NDIS - Coronavirus information and support (information is available in audio and Auslan formats)

<https://www.ndis.gov.au/coronavirus>

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Up-to-date information, advice and resources from the Queensland Government can be accessed from:

Queensland Health - COVID-19

<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19>

Queensland Business - Essential information

<https://www.business.qld.gov.au/>

Arts Queensland - Information and resources

<https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/about-us/coronavirus-covid-19>

COVID-19 workplace risk management

<https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/news/2020/coronavirus-covid-19-workplace-risk-management>

First Nations People - Information and resources

<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/information-for/first-nations>

OTHER

M&G QLD COVID-19 Safety Plan Resource

M&G QLD COVID-19 Checklist for Museums and Galleries

<http://www.magsq.com.au/cms/page.asp?ID=10606>

ArtsHub - Artists Essential Toolkit

This online video series teaches artists how to have a strong online presence.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL181bPBFBVgiNqIPDY8-sVFsnLtYMZ2rP>

Arts Law Centre of Australia

COVID-19 FAQs for artists

<https://www.artslaw.com.au/information-sheet/covid-19-faqs-for-artists/>

Putting works online – COVID-19 FAQs for Artists and Arts Organisations

<https://www.artslaw.com.au/information-sheet/putting-works-online-covid-19-faqs/>

Justice Connect

Response to COVID-19 Briefing Note, Guidance for the not-for-profit-sector, March 2020

https://www.nfplaw.org.au/sites/default/files/media/Justice_Connect_-_Response_to_COVID-19_briefing_note.pdf

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation – Coronavirus updates and information

<https://www.naccho.org.au/home/aboriginal-health-alerts-coronavirus-covid-19/>

Online systems for collecting visitor details

Please note, M&G QLD does not endorse the following businesses.

guestcheck.com.au

eventbrite.com

makeplans.net/en

trybooking.com

nextup.co.nz

netohq.com

Patternmakers – COVID-19 Audience Outlook Monitor

Research, statistics and behavioral trends of audiences connecting with cultural organisations in the wake of the pandemic.

<https://www.thepatternmakers.com.au/covid19>

Safe Work Australia – Signage and posters – COVID-19

<https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/doc/signage-and-posters-covid-19>

Virtual gallery software

Please note, M&G QLD does not endorse the following businesses.

artspace.kunstmatrix.com/en

ortelia.com

matterport.com

artsteps.com

ikonospace.com

exhibit.com/home

Volunteering Australia – COVID-19 resources

<https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/resources/covid-19-resources/#/>

Blue Shield Australia

Access the practical guide prepared by Blue Shield Australia and Australian Institute for the Conservation of Cultural Material (AICCM) for people who are responsible for closing collections of movable cultural heritage in collecting organisations such as

archives, galleries, herbaria, historical societies, libraries and museums and at heritage sites.

<https://blueshielddustralia.org.au/news/closed-by-covid-19-checklist-for-glams-and-historical-and-heritage-sites/>

Support / assistance

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Australia Council for the Arts - Cherish II

Available to First Nations individuals, groups and organisations under the following streams: Living Libraries, Creative Practice, Creative Entrepreneur and Creative Workforce.

Closes: 6 October 2020

<https://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/funding/funding-index/cherish-ii/>

Economic Stimulus Package

<https://treasury.gov.au/coronavirus>

Regional Arts Fund – Recovery Boost

Relief grants are designed to assist regional artists, arts organisations and communities to meet their immediate needs.

Closes: 12 October 2020 or when funds are expended

<https://flyingarts.org.au/regional-arts-fund-recovery-boost/>

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Arts Queensland

To help mitigate the impact of COVID-19, Arts Queensland is implementing a number of measures to support the arts sector. This includes funding boosts, funding extensions, changes to funding application timeframes, and rent relief for tenants based in Queensland Government arts infrastructure.

<https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/about-us/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-covid-19/arts-queensland-funding-covid>

Creative to Go

For Queensland-based artists and arts organisations to deliver live performances and engagement activities in regional Queensland.

Closes: when funding allocation is exhausted

<https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding/creative-to-go>

Digital Adaption Grant

This grant supports digital programming to showcase Queensland stories and enhance audience experience, engagement and participation in arts and cultural activities.

Closes: 21 August 2020

<https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding/digital-adaptation>

Queensland Arts Showcase Program

Supports vibrant and accessible arts and cultural experiences for Queensland by individuals, organisations or collectives.

Closes: 14 August 2020 and 20 December 2020

<https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/arts-showcase>

Spaces and Places

Supports organisations, creative businesses, local councils and festivals to develop new products with cultural tourism potential that employ local artists and leverage supporting partnership funding.

Closes: 21 August 2020

<https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding/spaces-and-places>

Business Queensland

Search Business Queensland's COVID-19 Business Assistance Finder to see what support your organisation may be eligible to receive to mitigate the impact of COVID-19.

<https://www.business.qld.gov.au/covid-assistance>

Staying connected

With our museums and galleries starting to reopen to the public and some people still working from home, it is more important than ever that we stay connected. Below are some of the many ways we can, as a sector, share our stories, ideas and lessen the isolation.

#MuseumFromHome and **#MuseumsFromHome** bring together galleries and museums from across the world to share and connect.

Little Lunch Online (LLOL) is a quick 30-minute chance to check in, share ideas and connect with each other while grabbing a quick bite of lunch.

<https://artsfront.com/event/37103-little-lunch-online-llo>

Australian Arts amidst COVID-19 is a place for Australian arts to ask questions and share ideas about how to work with COVID-19.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/867638387034820/>

Australia Council for the Arts is delivering a series of online webinars, *Creative Connections*, offering practical, accessible and useful content delivered by industry experts on key topics and emerging themes. The webinars are Auslan interpreted and live-captioned and will be published on the Australia Council for the Arts' website following the 'live' Zoom presentation.

<https://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/programs-and-resources/creative-connections/>

Health & wellbeing

Maintaining good health and wellbeing during COVID-19 is important, not only for yourselves, but for those around you.

Support Act

<https://supportact.org.au/get-help-2/>

Headspace

<https://headspace.org.au/covid-19/>

Head to Health

<https://headtohealth.gov.au/covid-19-support/covid-19>

Lifeline

<https://www.lifeline.org.au/get-help/topics/mental-health-and-wellbeing-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

Beyond Blue

<https://www.beyondblue.org.au/the-facts/looking-after-your-mental-health-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak>

Kids Helpline

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

Department of Health – COVID-19 National Health Plan

A fact sheet about a package of measures to support the mental health and wellbeing of Australians as we face the challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic.

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/covid-19-national-health-plan-supporting-the-mental-health-of-australians-through-the-coronavirus-pandemic>

Disclaimer

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