Queensland Government

INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

Arts Queensland

2012 APRA Song Summit Scholarships

Closing Date: 29 March 2012

About Song Summit Scholarships

The 2012 APRA Song Summit Scholarships will enable **10** talented **Queensland-based song writers** to receive **$1000** towards the costs of attending the 2012 APRA Song Summit in Sydney from 26 – 28 May 2012. The Scholarships will be competitively selected.

On completion, recipients will provide an Outcome Report to Arts Queensland on the creative and professional outcomes that the Scholarship enabled.

Help for Applicants

Applicants will need to download the application form from the Arts Queensland website (www.arts.qld.gov.au) and submit two (2) copies of the application and compulsory support material to be considered for a Scholarship. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Remember to notify Arts Queensland if you change your contact details throughout the assessment process. Arts Queensland will not be responsible if the contact details provided do not effectively reach applicants.

Please contact Arts Queensland (07 3224 4896) if you have any questions about your application.

Eligibility

The Scholarships are for Queensland-based song writers and are not limited in genre.

All applicants must:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Be residing in Queensland
- Have satisfied the reporting requirements of any previous Arts Queensland grants

Employees of Arts Portfolio bodies are not eligible to apply. Arts Queensland employees are ineligible for six months after ceasing employment. QMusic employees are not eligible to apply.

Assessment Criteria

Applications for a 2012 APRA Song Summit Scholarship will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Rationale for attending 2012 APRA Song Summit – *Describe how attending the 2012 APRA Song Summit will assist your career in its current stage of development.*
- Career Highlight – *Describe your career highlight to date.*

- Quality of songs submitted – *Please provide a CD of original work with up to three (3) tracks, or noting the three best tracks*
- Artist Biography – *Please provide an Artist Biography describing the music you write and demonstrating your artistic track record.*

Selection Process

Assessment and funding decisions are based on the information provided in your application. All eligible applications will be assessed in terms of how well applicants address the assessment criteria. Applications will be assessed by at least one (1) industry expert and one (1) Arts Queensland Officer. All applications will be notified of their success the week beginning **16 April 2012**. Please note preference may be given to applicants not previously supported by Arts Queensland to attend Song Summit.

To receive up-to-date information from the 2012 APRA Song Summit organisers, applicants are advised to register as a delegate from the Summit as soon as they submit their application for a Scholarship. At the point of registration you will be required to nominate how you wish to pay: APRA members can pay through APRA royalties or you can pay the fee outright. If you are not successful in receiving a Scholarship, and do not wish to attend, you will be reimbursed your registration expense.

Support Material

The support material is to include the following items:

- A CD of the applicant's original work with up to three (3) tracks, or noting the three best tracks
- An artist biography of no more than 1 page

Important information for successful applicants

If your Scholarship application is successful, you will receive an email from Arts Queensland with a funding agreement detailing the conditions of the Scholarship.

Outcome Report

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that you understand your obligations under the funding agreement which includes writing an Outcome Report. Failure to provide this Outcome Report will make the applicant ineligible for future Arts Queensland funding. If you need advice on preparing your Outcome Report or you have concerns about the agreed date, you should contact Arts Queensland. The Outcome Report template will be sent to successful applicants for submission to Arts Queensland by **28 April 2012.**

Acquittal

If your Outcome Report is satisfactory, you will be notified by Arts Queensland that the Scholarship has been successfully acquitted.

Default

Should the Scholarship recipient default on the conditions of the Scholarship, they will be required to repay the full amount of the Scholarship to Arts Queensland.