



Please read the following information CAREFULLY prior to completing an expression of interest for the 2012 Creative Leadership program

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## 2012 Creative Leadership Program – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST GUIDELINES

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### About the Creative Leadership Program

Regional Arts Victoria is proud to offer, for the very first time, a unique and engaging Creative Leadership Program. The program seeks regionally based young people, who have completed year 12 in the last two years or will do so in 2011, to participate in a nine day intensive creative development workshop and provide an insight into the professional world of the creative arts. Regional Arts Victoria will select twelve young people from a variety of regional areas in Victoria, to participate in a rare opportunity.

The nine day program boasts access to a range of leaders in the field, offering one on one mentoring experiences and placement opportunities within prominent arts organisations. Additionally, a variety of workshops will be held during the nine days that demonstrate attributes of a strong cultural organisation and key cultural management processes including, planning, programming, structure, governance, grant-writing and pitching.

The Creative Leadership program is intended as an inspiring, contemporary, and educational way to promote the validity of an exciting life-long career in the arts, for young people.

More information on the Creative Leadership Program can be found at: [www.rav.net.au](http://www.rav.net.au)

### We are looking for:

- Regionally based young people who have completed year 12 in the last two years or will do so in 2011
- Creative people who intend to pursue a career in the arts
- Individuals who are motivated and are innovative
- Individuals with a passion for community and bringing cultural events and opportunities to a regional audience

## **Timeline:**

- **14th October 2011** – Expressions of Interest forms must be submitted by 5pm online via Survey Monkey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RAVCreativeLeadership>
  - **1st November 2011** – Confirmation of selection
  - **January 2011** – Selected participants will be phoned to confirm attendance
  - **4<sup>th</sup> February** – 9 day intensive begins
  - **12<sup>th</sup> February** – 9 day intensive concludes
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## **FAQ's**

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### **How are candidates selected?**

Two participants from each of the 5 regional areas (Loddon Mallee, Central Highlands, Gippsland, Barwon South West and Goulburn / Hume) in Victoria will be selected with an additional two 'wild cards'. An independent selection panel will judge the quality of responses on the expression of interest form, with consideration to area of interest, previous level of experience or involvement and expectations of the program. The panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

### **What arts institution can I expect to be involved with?**

Participants will have the opportunity to be involved with performing arts companies, music companies, art galleries, writers' centres and literary organisations, who will partner with RAV on this initiative. Details will be announced closer to the event.

### **What will be expected of me?**

The program will require your commitment for the full nine days, with an expectation of your engagement and enthusiasm in all aspects of the program. The Creative Leadership Program is aimed at furthering your career development, requiring participants to recognise that the more they put in, the more they will get out of their experience.

### **How much experience do I need?**

Any experience within the arts is beneficial; however all we require is your active enthusiasm for the industry.

### **What costs will be covered by Regional Arts Victoria?**

RAV will cover travel costs to, from and within Melbourne, and accommodation. RAV will also provide breakfast, lunch and some dinners. However, please ensure adequate funds for some dinners and other incidental costs.

**If you have any queries, please contact Emily Atkins, Education and Families Coordinator on 9644 1800 or [eatkins@rav.net.au](mailto:eatkins@rav.net.au)**