

MEMBER RESOURCE

GRANTS AND FUNDING FOR LABELS AND ARTISTS

[Music Australia](#), [Sound NSW](#), [Creative Victoria](#) and [Arts Queensland](#) all have funding and grants applicable to labels and artists at the moment. Applications close at various dates throughout April with Creative Australia **closing first on 9th April**.

Read through the opportunities below.

MUSIC AUSTRALIA: EXPORT DEVELOPMENT FUND

Music Australia has unveiled the launch of a brand-new Export Development Fund with up to \$25,000 available across different streams. **Closes 9th April**.

OVERVIEW

- **Eligibility:** Open to all label sizes and direct to artists. Labels can apply to coinvest for their artists, but funds must go directly to the artist.
- **Streams:** Dedicated funding streams available for [international market and audience development](#), [professional development](#), and [performance and touring](#). Artists can technically apply for all three streams.
- **Funding:** Offers matched funding up to \$10,000, \$15,000, and \$25,000 for the three streams respectively.
- **Project Duration:** Projects must start between 1st July 2024 and 1st October 2024, and be completed within 9 months of starting.
- **Assessment Priority:** Priority given to applications with strategic marketing and promotion plans. Focus on clear targets in specific markets backed by relevant data.
- **Application Deadline:** Please note that applications close on the [9th of April](#). The next round opens [13 May](#) and closes [9 July](#). For the full 2024 and 2025 application dates see the Music Australia FAQs for more detail.
- **Information Session:** An information session held by Music Australia on 12 March has been recorded and is available for viewing [here](#). Guidelines and in-depth FAQs are also available on the Music Australia website.

NEW SOUTH WALES

SOUND NSW: TOURING AND TRAVEL FUND

Sound NSW has announced funding of up to \$7,500 for touring and travel at key events for NSW music. The aim of this fund is to increase performance opportunities, develop audiences, provide professional development, enable employment, support business development, ensure diversity, and promote contemporary music globally, domestically, and in NSW. **Closes 20th May.**

OVERVIEW

- **Eligibility:** Individuals, acts, or organisations must meet specific criteria including residency, age, and release history, and ABN requirements vary based on applicant type. This funding is for NSW residents only.
- **Projects:** Funding supports travel and accommodation costs only, for domestic and international activity including flights, trains, bus, car hire, petrol, tolls, airport transfers, insurance, per diems and accommodation.
- **Funding:** Local activities can apply for up to \$2,500 per person, and international activities can apply for up to \$7,500 per person.
- **Application Deadline:** Please note that applications close on the 20th of May.
- **Information Session:** Information sessions by Sound NSW are scheduled for the 28th March or 4th April. You can register or find out more [here](#).

SOUND NSW: RECORDING AND PROMOTION FUND

Sound NSW has announced funding of up to \$50,000 for recording and promoting NSW music. The aim of this fund is to boost original music creation by NSW artists and support music promotion and industry growth in the state. **Closes 17th April.**

OVERVIEW

- **Eligibility:** Individuals, acts, or organisations must meet specific criteria including residency, age, and release history, and ABN requirements vary based on applicant type.
- **Projects:** Funding can cover creative development, studio hire, recording, mixing, mastering, publicity, and more.
- **Funding:** Short-form projects can receive up to \$25,000, long-form \$50,000 and matched funding for major labels up to \$25,000.
- **Project Duration:** Projects must occur between 1st June 2024 and 30th June 2025.
- **Application Deadline:** Please note that applications close on the 17th of April.
- **Information Session:** Information sessions by Sound NSW are scheduled for the 28th March or 4th April. You can register or find out more [here](#).

VICTORIA

CREATIVE VICTORIA: MUSIC WORKS

The Music Works Grants assist Victorian-based contemporary music industry artists and professionals at all career stages and across genres in pursuing projects with creative and/or commercial outcomes. Funding of up to \$20,000 covers various needs such as creating new works, fostering collaborations, professional development, marketing, tour support, and beyond. **Closes 18th April.**

OVERVIEW

- **Eligibility:** Victorian based contemporary music industry professional (individuals, collectives/groups, or micro to small organisations), including artists/bands, managers, promoters, labels and other music industry business and organisations with an ABN.
- **Projects:** Funding can cover song writing, recording and release, mentorship and professional development, marketing, attending conferences and events.
- **Project Duration:** For activities commencing 1st September 2024.
- **Streams:** Funding is split into three distinct streams; First Nations, Deaf & Disabled, and a General Stream.
- **Funding:** Uncovering Talent (\$5,000) supports early career artists for creative projects and professional development. Evolve and Export (\$10,000-\$20,000) fosters music innovation and market expansion for established industry professionals
- **Application Deadline:** Please note that applications close on the 18th of April.
- **Information Session:** An information session from Creative Victoria is scheduled for 4th April. You can register or find out more [here](#).

QUEENSLAND

ARTS QLD: PERFORMING ARTS MARKET DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Performing Arts Market Development Fund aims to boost Queensland's cultural economy, enhances exposure, fosters business and career growth, and expands markets for musicians, artists, and organisations, both nationally and internationally. Funding of up to \$80,000 is available for showcasing or market attendance activities and up to \$2,000 for bringing international guests into Queensland. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

OVERVIEW

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be based in Australia and have written confirmed invitation or endorsement from the interstate or overseas market/partner.
- **Eligible costs:** Travel, freight, equipment hire, management fees etc.
- **Funding:** Applicants can apply for up to \$80 000 towards eligible costs for showcasing or market attendance activities or up to \$2 000 towards eligible costs for bringing national and international presenters/promoters/reviewers to see Queensland performances.
- **Application Deadline:** Applications can be submitted at any time. Successful applicants will be notified no more than six weeks after submission.
- **Further information:** You can find out more [here](#).