

Media Release

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GRANTS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT CREATIVE EDUCATION PROJECTS

The Victorian Government is giving schools across the state the opportunity to collaborate with professional artists, musicians, designers, filmmakers and more.

Minister for Creative Industries Danny Pearson invited Victorian schools to apply for the 2022 round of the *Creative Learning Partnerships* program, with grants of \$10,000 available to engage individual creatives and \$35,000 grants available for collaborations with a creative organisation.

Open to Government, independent and Catholic schools in all parts of Victoria, the program supports projects that enhance learning across the curriculum for Foundation students up to year 10 including VET and VCAL.

Projects in this round will commence from Term 2, 2022 and can be live, virtual or a hybrid. Partnerships will run for a minimum of 20 days.

Past projects have seen musicians, actors and playwrights working with students to create a performance based on history lessons, multimedia artists and games developers helping students learn about coding and technology, and sculptors giving students skills to create wind-powered artworks to bring science to life.

With creative thinking set to be a key skill for the jobs of the future, research has shown projects that fuse creativity and education can enhance learning outcomes and strengthen student engagement while supporting students to build self-confidence and problem-solving skills.

Continued support for the Creative Learning Partnerships program was part of the Government's \$288 million *Creative State 2025* strategy – a four-year plan designed to grow creative jobs and skills and position Victoria's creative industries at the heart of the state's future economic prosperity and social wellbeing.

The Creative Learning Partnerships program is supported by the Department of Education and Training and Creative Victoria.

For full program guidelines and application details, visit creative.vic.gov.au. Applications close at 3:00pm on 30 September 2021.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Creative Industries Danny Pearson

"Combining creativity with the curriculum can supercharge learning and give students skills and inspiration for the future."

"These partnerships also provide employment opportunities for creative professionals across all fields – transforming the learning experience for all involved."

Quote attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino

"Since 2018, this program has offered exciting learning opportunities to inspire not only students, teachers and the whole school community – and we're proud to support it for another year."

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