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Creative Communities funding available

Creative Communities funding applications are now open.

The Creative Communities Scheme is administered by the Selwyn District Council on behalf of Creative New Zealand and supports local arts and cultural activities.

The fund can be used to support projects or activities that encourage community involvement, support diverse arts and cultural traditions, or enable young people to actively participate in the arts.

In the past, Creative Communities grants have funded exhibitions, productions, concerts, festivals, workshops and presentations that offer opportunities for community involvement in the arts. Funding can also support artist-led projects involving local communities, materials, promotion of arts activities, or personnel costs for one-off, short term projects.

In the last funding round grants were made for eight projects including to the Selwyn Wairewa Youth Trust for print making workshops, the Malvern School of Music for concert costs, the Leeston 150th Committee for Burns Night/ Ceilidh costs, the Greendale Primary School PTA for music tuition costs and the Lincoln Women's Institute for hall hire and senior citizens concert costs.

The closing date for applications for this funding round is Friday 29 August.

Selwyn has four Creative Communities funding rounds each year. Later funding rounds will occur in November 2014 (closing on 28 November), and in February and May 2015.

Funding application forms are available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/artsfunding. For assistance completing the application form, please contact Stuart Westoby on 347 2708.

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