**Backing Indigenous Arts - Indigenous Festivals (2020–2023) Funding**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**What is Backing Indigenous Arts - Indigenous Festivals (BIAIF) funding?**

BIA - Indigenous Festivals funding is part of the Queensland Government’s BIA initiative, which aims to build sustainable and ethical Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts industries. BIAIF provides a multi-year year funding investment towards the core operations of three significant First Nations festivals in Queensland.

**Can I apply if my organisation runs another Indigenous festival that isn’t listed in the guidelines?**

BIAIF funding is delivered through a targeted application process however; Arts Queensland encourages and welcomes applications through the [Queensland Arts Showcase Program (QASP)](http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/arts-showcase/); [Indigenous Regional Arts Development Fund (IRADF)](https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/indigenous) or [Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF)](http://www.arts.qld.gov.au/regional-arts-development-fund), and the [Playing Queensland Fund (PQF)](https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/playing).

**Can organisations that are successful to BIA Indigenous Festivals apply to other Arts Queensland investment programs?**

Yes. Organisations that are successful in receiving BIAIF funding are eligible to apply to the [Queensland Arts Showcase Program](https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/arts-showcase), [Playing Queensland Fund](https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/funding/organisations/playing) and [Arts Business and Innovation Fund](https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding/aq-funding-programs-and-partners-6).

**What support material should I include in my application?**

All questions in the application form marked with an asterisk ( \* ) indicate compulsory support material.

Additional material can be included to strengthen your application, including:

* Evidence of how your festival will deliver on local and Queensland Government priorities including letters of support or commitment from artists and partners involved.
* Strategic and business documents, including project plans, financial statements, supplier quotations, sponsorship arrangements, marketing and communications plan.
* Evaluation documents including reports and reviews from previous events.

Your application budget should demonstrate partnerships with other organisations and businesses in addition to your organisations contribution. Ensure in-kind contributions are included in your budget.

**What does the acquittal and reporting process involve?**

Successful applicants will enter into a funding agreement with Arts Queensland, which includes Key Performance Outcomes (KPOs) relating to the objectives of BIA - Indigenous Festivals (2020-2023) funding.

If you/your organisation have outstanding reporting you will be ineligible to apply to any Arts Queensland funding programs until reporting is submitted and accepted by Arts Queensland.