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Regional Arts WA increases access and support for young artists and arts workers

Regional Arts WA commits to increasing access and support for young artists and arts workers based in the regions through its Youth Inclusion Action Plan launched this year.

The Youth Inclusion Action Plan was created with a group of young artists, arts workers, and sector leaders who are based across Western Australia. They are dedicated to seeing more youth join and continue their careers in the regional arts sector.

Across two years, Regional Arts WA has committed to delivering the Youth Inclusion Action Plan which sees its services evolve to increase participation of young artists and arts workers by providing support through mentors and/or skilled peers, using clear and simple plain English throughout its services, and provide case studies to increase understanding and knowledge.

Regional Arts WA CEO Paul MacPhail says it is important to remove barriers for young people entering the regional arts sector.

"As the peak body of the regional arts sector, Regional Arts WA is taking the steps required to increase young peoples' access to the arts. The Youth Inclusion Action Plan is our roadmap to remove barriers for those who are looking for more active participation or the development of sustainable arts careers.

"It is daunting for a young person to step into the arts sector without information of what is expected from them, what success looks like, and how to achieve goals without a guide, so something as simple as comprehensive case studies and examples of successful grant applications, will support a young artist or arts worker in their practice."

To see the Youth Inclusion Action Plan, please go to Regional Arts WA's website: www.regionalartswa.org.au/

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