



Visual Arts Working Group

Expression of Interest for Members

The Victorian Pride Centre seeks volunteer members to program visual arts at Australia's first purpose-built LGBTIQ+ Centre.

The Victorian Pride Centre

Australia's first purpose-built LGBTIQ+ centre, located at 79 – 81 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda, Melbourne, will provide a safe haven for LGBTIQ+ communities, providing key LGBTIQ+ organisations and groups a hub to share ideas and resources and to further their work in supporting equality, diversity and inclusion.

The Victorian Pride Centre's vision is to be the most loved, well known and visited home for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and queer (LGBTIQ+) community in Australia. The Victorian Pride Centre (VPC) is a welcoming, inclusive, and safe space for all LGBTIQ+ community members and their allies.

Visual Arts at The Victorian Pride Centre

The VPC will provide opportunities for visual arts and archival display through programming, exhibitions in its Pride Gallery (located in the ground floor lobby) and display of art across a range of other suitable spaces in the VPC. The VPC's visual arts programming has a focus on art by LGBTIQ+ artists and/or art that focuses on, or has relevance to, LGBTIQ+ issues.

The *VPC Visual Arts Policy* provides a framework, objectives and guidance for the programming and display of visual arts at the Victorian Pride Centre.

The Pride Gallery aims to professionally curate and display five exhibitions per year and the schedule of programs shall be determined by advice and recommendations from the Visual Arts Working Group elected an annual Expression of Interest (EOI) process.

The Visual Arts Working Group

The role of Visual Arts Working Group (VWG) is to support the VPC in delivering a visual arts program that:

- reflects the diversity of the LGBTIQ+ community
- is a catalyst for informed dialogue both within the LGBTIQ+ community and with the wider community
- encourages visitation to the VPC
- engages with the broader visual arts network in Melbourne and Victoria

The VWG will make recommendations to the VPC on professional exhibition management, inclusive visual arts practice and programming and undertake the necessary operations, in collaboration with the VPC Venue Manager, to execute visual arts programming in line with industry standards and best practice.

A Terms of Reference (ToR) will guide the operations work of the VWG.

VWG Membership

VWG will be comprised of the following representatives:

- a VPC Board member who will Chair the Working Group
- the VPC Venue Manager who will support the Working Group
- five (5) community volunteers with diverse visual arts and archival expertise from the LGBTIQ+ community and allies.

VWG Member Key Responsibilities

VWG Member key responsibilities shall include

- Provide active support and guidance on the Pride Centre's arts programs and projects.
- Curate Pride Gallery and other spaces within the Pride Centre suitable for visual arts programming.
- Assist the VPC in building and sustaining visual arts programming at the Pride Centre by various means, including, but not limited to, fundraising, engaging key stakeholders, and establishing and building the profile of the Pride Centre's visual arts programming.
- Provide advice and act as a community reference point for visual arts community or cultural projects at VPC.
- Guide the VPC on best practice visual arts and cultural development within the context of a LGBTIQ+ multipurpose centre.
- Provide advice on the development, implementation and review of the VPC's Visual Arts Policies and procedures, and other policies and strategies that may have an impact on the visual arts programming and profile of the Pride Centre.

VWG Volunteer Member Selection Criteria

Membership will be a balanced representation of the diversity of the LGBTIQ+ community and committed allies as well as diversity in age range, cultural diversity and a balance of arts and cultural disciplines, including archival and community arts.

Selected members will have a:

- Demonstrated knowledge and experience of Arts and Culture at a local, state, national or international level.
- Commitment to be actively involved during the Volunteer member's term.
- Demonstrated connection with, and commitment to, the LGBTIQ+ community.
- Commitment to the Victorian Pride Centre's principles of equality, diversity and inclusivity.
- Be available for monthly meetings with additional hands-on engagement required as required. The term of the appointment is for a period of two (2) years.

To Apply please fill out the [EOI Form](#)

For more information email contact@pridecentre.org.au