

ITEM 8. REPORT OF THE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - 16 NOVEMBER 2015**ITEM 8.1****DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Angela Vithoukas disclosed a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda in that the founder of Monkey Baa Theatre for Young People Limited, which is a proposed grant recipient, is a very good friend of hers. Councillor Vithoukas said that, if this item could be dealt with in two parts, she would not be present for discussion or voting on the part dealing with the grant to Monkey Baa Theatre in clause (A) of the officer's recommendation.

Councillor Vithoukas also disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda in that she has previously worked with Weave Youth and Community Services Incorporated, which is a proposed grant recipient.

Councillor Scott disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda in that she is a member of the Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre and a member of The Glebe Society Incorporated, both of which are proposed grant recipients.

At a later stage of the meeting, during discussion on Item 8.2, Councillor Doutney disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in this item in that she is on the Board of Counterpoint Community Services Incorporated, which is one of the grant applicants that has not been recommended for funding. Councillor Doutney stated that she would not be present at the meeting during any discussion on the grant applications from Counterpoint Community Services Incorporated.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee.

The Committee recommends the following:-

ITEM 8.2

GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIP – ROUND TWO ALLOCATION OF 2015/16 ANNUAL PROGRAMS (\$117676)

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash grant and revenue forgone (VIK) recommendations for 2015/16 under the Cultural and Creative Grants and Sponsorship Program – Round Two listed as follows:

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Alana Valentine (Auspiced by Griffin Theatre Company Limited)	Wayside Bride	A theatre project performing the stories of local and well-known personalities married at the Wayside Chapel, Kings Cross during its 50 year history.	\$20,000	Nil	Organisation to liaise with the City's History Team to record research findings.
Asian Australian Artists Association Incorporated	Chen Qiulin: The Empty City	The first solo exhibition in Australia for prominent Chinese artist, Chen Qiulin during the Chinese New Year Festival.	\$20,000	Nil	Nil
De Quincey Company Limited	BodyWeather for Everyone	Introducing the BodyWeather dance practice to local residents at a number of community centres and venues throughout the City of Sydney Local Government Area.	\$10,000	Nil	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Electrofringe Limited	EF16 (Electrofringe 2016)	A one day festival showcasing electronic and technology-based art and performance at 107 Projects, Redfern.	\$7,000	Nil	Organisation to apply in future under the Festival and Events Program.
First Draft Incorporated	Firstdraft Public Engagement Programs	A series of public engagement activities to encourage new audiences to the Firstdraft gallery, Woolloomooloo and providing tools for the community to participate in contemporary visual arts.	\$15,000	Nil	Organisation to submit a revised timeline.
International Performing Writers' Association	The Rumble: Sydney Young Performing Writers' Program	A project providing young people in the City of Sydney Local Government Area the opportunity to work with professional spoken word artists to develop their own works and perform these for live audience in the Rocks.	\$12,000	Nil	Nil
Milk Crate Theatre	Leading and Learning: International Collaborations with World Leaders in the Tradition of Interactive, Forum Theatre	The creation of two new Forum Theatre works through creative residencies, exchange of artistic practice and collaborations with Theatre of the Oppressed New York City (TONYC) and Cardboard Citizens (UK).	Year 1 - \$10,000 Year 2 - \$10,000	Nil	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Monkey Baa Theatre For Young People Limited	Private Conversations in Public Spaces	The creation of theatre works exploring stories of the Gadigal people to be performed around the Darling Quarter.	\$15,000	Nil	Nil
NAISDA Limited	Circle of Cultures 40 Years of NAISDA Dance College	A photographic exhibition and series of workshops celebrating contemporary Indigenous dance at Carriageworks, Eveleigh.	\$20,000	Nil	Nil
PACT Centre For Emerging Artists Incorporated	Rapid Response Team	A project where six emerging artists will respond creatively to global current affairs and present these creative bulletins to the local community at various locations throughout the Local Government Area.	\$30,000	Nil	Funding for artist fees only.
Performance Space	Neighbourhood Watch	A creative residency where artists are placed with community organisations in Redfern, where in collaboration with these organisations they will create artworks to be exhibited.	\$16,000	Nil	Funding for artist fees only

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Playwriting Australia	PWA Indigenous Playwrights Program	Development and delivery of a playwriting program for Indigenous writers and storytellers at Redfern Community Centre.	\$10,000	Nil	Nil
ReadyMade Works Incorporated	ReadyMade Works 2016 Program	A series of creative seminars, community engagement opportunities and creative residencies for artists and residents of the City of Sydney Local Government Area.	\$14,000	Nil	Nil
REMIX Summits Pty Limited	REMIX Sydney Summits 2016-18	A summit addressing the ideas shaping the future of the creative and cultural sectors and the development of creative cities and a flourishing creative economy.	Year 1 - \$10,000	Year 1 - Venue hire waiver of Sydney Town Hall up to the value of \$45,000 Year 2 - Venue hire waiver of Sydney Town Hall up to the value of \$45,000 Year 3 - Venue hire waiver of Sydney Town Hall up to the value of \$45,000	Organisation to resubmit budget.
RUCKUS (Auspiced by Pact Centre For Emerging Artists Incorporated)	Speed of Life	The final development stage of theatre work 'Speed of Life' developed by disability led performance ensembles.	\$25,000	Venue hire waiver of Erskineville Town Hall up to the value of \$1,559	Funding for artists fees and production. Release of funds is dependent on securing state and federal funding.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
SafARI Initiatives Incorporated	SafARI 2016	An exhibition showcasing the work of emerging artists across multiple venues in the Kings Cross and Potts Point area during the Biennale of Sydney.	\$30,000	Nil	Organisation to apply in future under the Festival and Events Program. Organisation to work with the City's Manager City Business and Safety.
Sydney Arts Management Advisory Group Incorporated	SAMAG Seminar Series 2016 - 18	A series of professional development and networking seminars for art managers, artists and arts organisations at a number of locations throughout the Local Government Area.	Year 1 - \$5,000	Year 1 - Venue hire waiver of Barnett Long Room, Customs House up to the value of \$2,500 Year 2 - Venue hire waiver of Barnett Long Room, Customs House up to the value of \$2,500 Year 3 - Venue hire waiver of Barnett Long Room, Customs House up to the value of \$2,500	Nil
Sydney Dance Company	DancED Community Outreach Program	A series of workshops to engage primary school children, youth groups and older adults to participate in dance and encourage new audiences for Sydney Dance Company.	Year 1 - \$15,000	Nil	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority	Emerging Creative Producers: Community Cultural Festival Capacity Building Project 2015-17	A professional development mentoring program for 25 volunteer organised festivals held at Darling Harbour.	\$20,000	Nil	Nil
Sydney Story Factory Incorporated	Let's Write, Redfern!	A partnership with five local community organisations in the Redfern/Waterloo area to provide opportunities for young people to write short stories.	\$20,000	Nil	Nil
The Festivalists Limited	Night Moves	A project linking cultural venues in central Sydney with a creative agent who have not worked together previously culminating in an after-hours cultural experience for visitors, artists, venues and precincts.	\$50,000	Banner pole hire waiver up to the value of \$6,350	Organisation to apply in future under the Festival and Events Program.
The Glebe Society Incorporated	Glebe Tram Mural	The replication of an historic photo of a Glebe tram into a large mural on the south-facing wall of 257 Glebe Point Road, Glebe.	\$30,000	Nil	Organisation to work with the City's Public Art Program Manager. Organisation to submit a revised budget. Organisation to submit a letter of consent from property owner.

- (B) Council approve the cash grant and revenue forgone (VIK) recommendations for 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 under the Festivals and Events Sponsorship Program (Artform or Village and Community) – Round Two listed as follows:

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Festivals and Events Sponsorship - Artform					
Alliance Francaise De Sydney	Alliance Française French Film Festival	A French film festival showcasing contemporary French cinema at locations across the LGA.	\$0	Banner pole hire waiver up to the value of \$6,220	Nil
Free Broadcast Incorporated	FBI SMACS: A Festival of Sydney music, arts and culture	An art and music festival to be held at Carriageworks, Eveleigh in January 2016.	\$15,000	Nil	Funding for artists fees only.
Head On Foundation	Head On Photo Festival 2016	A photographic festival including 10 exhibitions, workshops, screenings and talks held at Lower Town Hall.	Nil	Venue hire waiver up to the value of \$110,600	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Festivals and Events Sponsorship – Village and Community					
Tennis New South Wales Limited	The Apia International Wheelchair Tennis Tournament at Prince Alfred Park	A series of official tournament games, practice sessions and community engagement events involving the world's top ranked wheelchair tennis players in January 2016 at Prince Alfred Park tennis courts as part of the 2016 Australia Open.	\$30,000	Banner hire waiver up to the value of \$1,240.	Organisation to meet with the City's Inclusion Panel.
Pymont-Ultimo Chamber of Commerce And Industry Incorporated	Pymont Festival 2016 - 2018	A 10 day festival program of wine, food and art in May 2016 promoting Pymont as a tourist, creative, cultural and dining precinct.	Year 1 - \$50,000 Year 2 - \$50,000 + CPI Year 3 - \$50,000 + CPI	Year 1 - Banner hire waiver up to the value of \$5,000 Year 2 - Banner hire waiver up to the value of \$5,500 Year 3 - Banner hire waiver up to the value of \$6,000	Nil
Christmas in Pymont Incorporated	Christmas in Pymont	A series of community engagement activities and market stalls in John Street and John Street Square, Pymont at the Pymont Community Centre during November 2016.	Year 1 - \$15,000 Year 2 - \$15,000 + CPI Year 3 - \$15,000 + CPI	Nil	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Radio Eastern Sydney Cooperative Limited	Global Rhythms World Music Festival	A music festival showcasing artists from around Australia held at Bicentennial Park, Glebe in September 2016 as part of the 2016 Sydney Fringe Festival.	\$15,000	Banner hire waiver up to the value of \$5,700	Release of funds dependant on securing Australia Council funding.
Walla Mulla Family and Community Support	Woolloomooloo NAIDOC Family Day 2016	A community engagement event celebrating NAIDOC held in Forbes Street Reserve, Woolloomooloo in July 2016.	Year 1 - \$15,000 Year 2 - \$15,000 + CPI Year 3 - \$15,000 + CPI	Nil	Organisation to resubmit a budget. Organisation to submit risk management plan.

- (C) Council approve the cash grant and revenue forgone (VIK) recommendations for 2015/16 under the Matching Grant Program – Third Allocation listed as follows:

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Beyond Consulting and Glebe Aboriginal Women's Group	Glebe Dance Project	A series of affordable dance workshops for children, members of the Aboriginal community, public housing and low income residents of Glebe.	\$7,250	Venue hire waiver up to the value of \$2,450	Organisation to submit a revised budget.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Big Fag Press Incorporated	Neighbourhood Kitchen Community Gardens - Jubilee Park	To build an edible community garden including Big Fag Press, Pyrmont Ultimo Glebe Men's Shed and the local community. A series of purpose-made planter boxes at the Jubilee Viaduct, Glebe.	\$5,000	Nil	Organisation to liaise with the City's Community Garden and Volunteer Coordinator.
Bourke Street Community Garden	Bourke Street Community Garden Project	The project will increase capacity at the Bourke Street Garden for community participation and enjoyment through additional planters, composting systems, chicken raising, an additional shed for larger equipment and landscaping.	\$7,150	Nil	Organisation to meet with the City's Community Garden and Volunteer Coordinator, Community Facility Development Coordinator and Planning Team Officer prior to grant being administered.
Bridge Housing	I am Saying What I Want to Say	A series of art workshops, for Bridge Housing tenants of the Inner West, leading to an exhibition to celebrate NAIDOC week and the creativity of diverse communities.	\$8,770	Nil	Organisation to provide confirmation of acceptance by Projects 107.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
PACT Centre for Emerging Artists Incorporated	COLLECTIVE	A program, in the Inner West, to provide training and performance opportunities for emerging performance artists. PACT will partner with Moogahlin Performing Arts to offer the program to a 'collective' of 12 to 15 emerging artists, half of whom identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.	\$5,000	Nil	Nil
Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW Limited	Through The Gap	A program delivered by Glebe/Leichhardt PCYC to provide educational support to Indigenous youth from Department of Housing areas in Glebe. The project aims to support and re-engage students who have disengaged, or are at risk of disengaging from school due behavioural/conduct issues.	\$9,000	Nil	No recurrent funding through Matching Grants Program.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
RSL of Australia (NSW Branch)	Indigenous Veterans' Commemoration Service 2016	The tenth anniversary of a military and community commemoration service for indigenous veterans at the ANZAC Memorial, Hyde Park, to be attended by the NSW Governor, Aboriginal community leaders and the wider community.	\$5,000	Nil	Nil
St Helen's Community Garden	St Helen's Community Garden	To fund the expansion and upgrade to infra-structure for Stages 2 and 3 of St Helen's Community Garden in Glebe.	\$10,000	Nil	Organisation to liaise with the City's Community Garden and Volunteer Coordinator.
Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre	Happy, Healthy and Wholistic: Women's Wellbeing Project	To connect and engage women of Sydney who have experienced domestic violence and who are experiencing social marginalisation and isolation. It will focus on wholistic health and wellbeing and building connections with support and health services.	\$4,000	Nil	Organisation to submit a revised budget.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
The Red Room Company	Yala Gari Living Languages	A project in Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria to engage Indigenous poets, artists and the community, to strengthen connections by creating artworks, writing, publications, performance, and exhibitions in English and Indigenous languages.	\$8,000	Banner pole hire waiver up to the value of \$762	Nil
The Yoga Foundation	Street Yoga	The project aims to bring yoga to disadvantaged communities, on the streets of Sydney at St Vincent's Health Clinics and Prince Alfred Park Community Centre. Participants will learn methods to help reduce anxiety and stress including simple yoga postures, calming breath exercises and mindfulness techniques.	\$3,000	Nil	Organisation to liaise with the City's Homelessness Unit, Public Spaces Liaison Officers. Funding is for a trial project.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Youth Off The Streets Limited	Student Skills, Welfare and Service Learning	The project aims to provide Key College and Redfern students with access to a range of opportunities in personal development, employment, training and general life skills. Key activities to include Service Learning, Skills and Certifications and Student Welfare.	\$8,460	Nil	Nil

- (D) Council approve the cash grant and revenue forgone (VIK) recommendations for 2015/16 under the Community Services Grant Program listed as follows:

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Newtown Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated	Newtown Vibes	A series of public performances, art markets and events in and around Newtown working with local business and community.	\$12,000	Nil	Organisation to submit a revised budget.
Redfern Legal Centre Limited	Extension of the Miller's Point Tenancy Services	An extension of services to meet the continued demand for the service from tenants still residing in the area, with an increase in support for residents in more complex circumstances and with more resource intensive needs.	\$50,000	Nil	Nil

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Weave Youth and Community Services Incorporated	Weave Middle Ground	Providing children and young people in Redfern, Waterloo, Glebe and surrounding areas the opportunity to take part in age specific programs for 7 to 14 year olds that cover a broad range of activities to improve their social and emotional wellbeing.	\$25,788	Nil	Nil

- (E) Council approve the cash grant and revenue forgone (VIK) recommendations for 2016/17 under the Festivals and Events Sponsorship Program (Artform) listed as follows:

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Conditions
Kaldor Public Art Projects	Kaldor Public Art Project 2016, 2017, 2018	Triennial sponsorship to present a minimum of one major work in each of the first two years of the sponsorship and then a series of celebration events through the final year as part of their 50th birthday celebrations.	Year 1 – \$110,000 Year 2 – \$120,000 Year 3 - \$150,000	Nil	Nil
The Sydney Festival Limited	Sydney Festival 2017	Australia's largest and most successful international Arts festival including a range of events and activities.	\$1,428,000	Venue hire waiver and banner pole hire waiver up to the value of \$450,000	Nil

- (F) Council approve the transfer of the 2014/2015 Cultural Grants and Sponsorship triennial funding agreement and remaining funding of \$15,000 for the Film Festivals Australia project from the current auspice Metro Screen to an alternative, similar auspice organisation that the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) approves;

- (G) authority be delegated to the CEO to negotiate, execute and administer the transfer of the triennial funding agreement and remaining funding detailed in clause (F) to the alternative auspice organisation considered suitable to lead the project;
- (H) Council note that a CEO update will be provided once the CEO has approved the alternative auspice organisation in accordance with clause (F);
- (I) Council note that all grant and sponsorship amounts are exclusive of GST and all VIK offered is subject to availability; and
- (J) authority be delegated to the CEO to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy.

Speakers

Mr Jackson Hills, Mr Moshe Rosenzweig and Ms Lindsay Ash addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee on Item 8.2.

(Note – this matter was dealt with by the Cultural and Community Committee as follows:

Procedural Motion

Moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Kemmis –

That the officer's recommendation be split and dealt with in two Parts, as follows:

Part A – clauses (A) to (J), excepting in clause (A) the grant to Monkey Baa Theatre for Young People Limited; and

Part B – the grant to Monkey Baa Theatre for Young People Limited in clause (A).

Carried unanimously.

Part A was then moved by the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Kemmis, put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Part B was then moved by the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Doughty, put to the vote and carried unanimously.)

The Committee recommends the following:-

ITEM 8.3

FRIENDS OF THE SYDNEY TOWN HALL INCORPORATED AND THE CHRISTMAS AT THE TOWN HALL ORGAN CONCERT (X002617)

It is resolved that:

- (A) subject to an agreement being entered into in accordance with clause (D) below, Council approve the donation of the proceeds of the annual "Christmas at the Town Hall" Organ concert to Friends of the Sydney Town Hall Incorporated for the year 2015;
- (B) Council note that funds have been provided to Friends of the Sydney Town Hall Incorporated in 2013 and 2014;
- (C) Council grant retrospective approval of the payment of funds in 2013 and 2014 to Friends of the Sydney Town Hall Incorporated; and
- (D) Council note that staff will work with Friends of Sydney Town Hall Incorporated to reach agreement to provide funding for future years, and that this agreement will be the subject of a further report to Council.

(Note - At the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Kemmis and carried unanimously.)