

MEDIA RELEASE

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Calling all aspiring artists aged 16-25 – Applications have been extended for the Youth Artist Mentorship Program until Sunday 29 August!

If you've ever been interested, dabbled, taking lessons in or enjoy being creative, we have mentors who would love to connect with an aspiring 2D artist, 3D artist (glass blowing), musician, filmmaker or furniture-maker!

Starting off a career in the arts can be daunting. We look at other people and may wonder, how did they get there? Getting together with friends is great, but sometimes we might want a bit more... a little extra to see where we can go.

Working with a mentor might just be the thing for you. Someone to help you along, cheer you on, and share with you some tips and tricks of the trade.

The Youth Artist Mentorship program is designed for young and aspiring artists aged 16-25 who want to develop their skills, through connecting with a local artist with six hours of mentoring.

Mayor Bec Enders said that "The Youth Artist Mentorship Program is a fabulous opportunity for aspiring artists to receive guidance and support. Artists will be given one-on-one mentorship from an established local artist."

"For those that wish to apply with friends, small groups are also encouraged to submit a group application for all the positions apart from glass blowing. The literature section has now been filled."



Information Session

Interested artists are also invited to an information session which offers the opportunity to have a chat with mentors and ask questions. Details:

- Friday 20 August at 3.30-4.30pm at the Huon Valley Hub in Huonville.
- Register for the event at <u>Eventbrite here</u> but you are also welcome to drop in on the day.
- Forms will also be available to complete during the information session and there will be people available to assist.

How to apply

The application process for the Mentorship Program is easy with a short online form to complete at the Huon Valley website www.huonvally.tas.gov.au. For more information artists can also email hvc@huonvalley.tas.gov.au or phone (03) 6264 0300.

Submissions close Sunday 29 August at midnight.

The program is being assisted by Arts Tasmania.

For more information: Mayor Bec Enders (03) 6264 0300