

Y BLOCK ARTS HUB
Studio Residencies
AT TAFE QUEENSLAND

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Y-Block Arts Hub at TAFE Queensland

TAFE Queensland's Cairns campus is revitalising its Y Block visual arts building as an Arts Hub. It will become the centrepiece of the renewed vision for Creative Arts at TAFE and is located in the heart of the arts precinct on the Cairns campus. Y Block will house six long-term studio spaces as well as a gallery, project space and a Makerspace.

Y Block will be a unique and vibrant drawcard and a valuable resource for the arts community and our creative arts students.

TAFE Queensland Creative Arts aim to attract, engage and retain a dynamic cohort of students and professional creatives to develop an arts community and industry hub on campus.

Y Block Arts Hub Values

- Engage in a mutually supportive environment to cultivate a vibrant creative shared space
- Support engaging cross-disciplinary contemporary creative practice
- Support creatives connected with TAFE Queensland activities
- Test and trial new ideas, projects and partnerships with industry
- Pioneer new experienced-based learning models
- Create opportunities to maximise unique student experiences
- Create paid opportunities for 'studio residents' to deliver short courses, teach qualifications and participate in funded projects.

Studio Applications

TAFE Queensland is offering subsidised studio space to practising artists for \$50 per week. There are two large spaces available which will be shared to support artists to sustain and develop their practice. Successful studio artists will undertake ambitious projects and work in a spirit of collaboration with other residents and TAFE Queensland to build a thriving arts hub.

TAFE Queensland is offering:

- Subsidised, air-conditioned, secure, purpose-built studio space (approx. 35m² per studio in a larger space shared with two others) for up to 12 months
- Four established artist spaces available (shared studio)
- One emerging artist spaces (shared studio)

- Access to shared storage, outdoor covered courtyard workspace, an 'event-based' gallery space, professional development and networking opportunities with visiting creative and industry professionals
- Opportunity to deliver paid short courses or workshops on-site, through the TAFE Queensland enrolment system
- Opportunity to participate in internal and external creative projects (ie: public art, community art projects, festivals etc...)

In exchange, artists will:

- Participate in Open Studio Days (two per year, one each semester)
- Support the values and ethos of the Y Block Arts Hub initiative
- Consider (optional) paid opportunities to deliver workshops/short courses
- Offer ways to interact with TAFE students and provide industry contact

TAFE Queensland will expect:

- The space provided will be utilised predominately as a studio work space
- All work practices will comply with current WHS practices: studio induction will be completed and WHS obligations fulfilled
- Costs of Wi-Fi/internet connection and ongoing access will need to be jointly covered by residents or provided independently through 4G network
- Studio fees will be paid by due date

Other information

Traffic – visitors to the site will be regular but not expected to be high in number with the exception of special events such as exhibition openings and project launches. The hub will be a vibrant workspace not a public attraction.

Gallery Sales – TAFE Queensland will not offer a sales service and any sales made in the gallery will be managed entirely by the artist. A commission of 25% will be taken on any sale (or total group of sales) over \$2000 in lieu of exhibition fees.

Private classes for commercial gain will attract commercial rental and separate rental agreement with Department of Education. TAFE Queensland offers paid opportunities for studio residents to conduct classes via its Short Course Program.

Links to arts community – TAFE Queensland will actively support building a culture of potential collaborators and partners as appropriate to the Arts Hub.

Application Guidelines

Application of no more than two pages should include the following:

Tell us about yourself:

- A short biography, including your commitments for next 12 months
- Artist's CV including qualifications
- Up to 6 digital images of your work or a short video

How will you use your time at Y block?

A statement that outlines the expected outcomes of the Y Block Studio Residency at TAFE Queensland's Cairns campus, and how the studio residency will assist you in the development of your practice (See Assessment Criteria)

How will you engage and interact with TAFE Queensland?

A description of how you plan to engage with TAFE Queensland; whether through guest lectures, projects, mentorships, workshops or short courses (include your potential audience) or your interest in teaching accredited qualifications, (if suitably qualified).

Assessment Criteria

Your application will be assessed on:

- The benefit that Y Block Arts Hub Studio Program will bring to your practice
- Ambition and vision
- Ability to deliver to either the Short Course Program and/or the accredited qualifications
- Ability to participate in Open Studio Days



Application Timeline

Tour of Facilities	By appointment
Application DUE	Wednesday 7 February 2018
Artists announced	Monday 12 February 2018
Y Block Studio Program Commences	Friday 23 February 2018

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