

Expressions of Interest for the Board of Corban Estate Arts Centre

Corban Estate Arts Centre (CEAC) is seeking expressions of interest to serve on the centre's board, known as the Waitakere Arts and Cultural Development Trust (WACDT).

Corban Estate Arts Centre is an extensive multidisciplinary arts centre based in Henderson, West Auckland. It offers spaces for artists' studios and arts organisations, venues for hire, an extensive arts education programme, galleries and a gallery shop. It manages arts and cultural events and projects, sometimes in partnership with others. As well as generating income from some of its activities, it is funded by Auckland Council, under an annual agreement to fulfil a range of Council's arts and cultural objectives, and it receives funding from a range of other public funders.

Having operated for over 13 years, the arts centre continues to grow its programmes and activities, improve its marketing and communications, and develop its amenities. It is in the early stages of planning for more substantial improvement and development of its facilities in the future.

In its governance role, the WACDT board has oversight of CEAC's strategic direction and operational performance while ensuring the centre meets its legal and financial responsibilities. The board also works with the Corban Estate Arts Centre director to set and support the centre's priorities and policies. As an entity, the board needs to have a cumulative skill-set that serves it to confidently maintain a robust coverage of its responsibilities.

The board is currently seeking to refresh its membership by including new trustees who ideally reflect diverse cultural backgrounds, a range of ages, and gender representation. It requires some enthusiastic and committed team players who are willing to offer their skills to serve as trustees, and support the centre to fulfil its potential as a leading arts organisation, delivering services to a diverse community. Typically, board members have an interest in the arts and an appreciation of how the opportunity to express a wide variety of arts and cultural perspectives, contributes to the fabric of our society. Prospective board members will enjoy communicating, listening, networking and generally supporting the arts centre to be successful. While it is helpful if candidates have some previous board experience, this can be gained through serving as a board member. The role of a trustee is voluntary.

While the board meets monthly for around two hours to review operational performance and policies, board members contribute in other ways outside of these hours, according to their skills and expertise. They meet to workshop ideas and develop plans, they often attend events at the centre, and they represent the arts centre in creative, business and community settings.

To submit an expression of interest, please first view or download a copy of our document, 'The Role of a Trustee' along with the board's 'Statement of Strategic Direction' available via this link:

http://www.ceac.org.nz/about_ceac/become_a_trustee.aspx.

More information about Corban Estate Arts Centre's activities can be viewed on its website: www.ceac.org.nz

Expressions of interest should include:

- a letter outlining your interest in contributing to the WACDT
- a CV or resume
- and referee contact details.

Your expression of interest should be forwarded to the Director, Corban Estate Arts Centre:

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Applications close: 29 February 2016