

### FILMS AT THE UNDERPASS – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST GUIDELINES

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#### SHORT FILM SUBMISSIONS OPEN!

**Films at the Underpass** is a Western Sydney film program, delivered as part of FUNPARK 2022.

A collaboration between FUNPARK and Blacktown Arts, films will be presented in the FUNPARK 2022 program, before enjoying a short season as part of the Blacktown Arts Digital Program. FUNPARK is part of Sydney Festival 2022.

Films will be curated by Vonne Patiag, a local Blacktown filmmaker, whose work spans short films, TV series, and features, and who has previously curated Blacktown Shorts (2019) and Western Sydney Shorts (2020) for Blacktown Arts.

We are currently open to short film submissions from emerging and established filmmakers, with a focus on screening stories from Western Sydney Talent.

We are seeking films that are 3-10 minutes in length, ideally that have a clear connection to Mt Druitt, with at least one key creative (Writer, Director, Producer) from the area. All short film project types are encouraged, be it narrative, animation or documentary. Music Videos will be considered, however branded content is not eligible for entry. All films screened will receive a screening fee.

### **Projects must:**

- Be a maximum 3-10 minutes in length.
- Be produced and post-produced entirely in NSW
- Be submitted by a NSW-based creative, individual or company, with at least one key creative (Writer, Director, Producer) from Mt Druitt
- Have a maximum Australian Classification M15 minimal violence, swearing, adult themes. Films should be family friendly
- Be completed, or in final stages of postproduction, ready to screen by January 20, 2022
- Individuals must hold all rights in their projects and have the rights to screen their films

## **Blacktown Arts**

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### HOW TO APPLY:

All applications must be submitted directly through the **Blacktown Arts website**.

Please provide: Name Address Connection to Mt Druitt Bio Link to Film Social Media Accounts Additional Information Anything else you'd like to tell us?

Entries close December 12, with successful films contacted by December 17.

If you require assistance with your application or would like further information, please contact Louisa Minutillo via louisa.minutillo@blacktown.nsw.gov.au

### FUNPARK 2022

FUNPARK is a sustained arts engagement project presented in and for the Mt Druitt community.

Since its premiere in 2014 Sydney Festival, FUNPARK has developed into a sustained collective impact project – led by a unique coalition of five arts, government, media and youth organisations. (Blacktown Arts, Bidwill Uniting, CuriousWorks, PYT Fairfield and Learning Ground Mount Druitt).

Now entering its eighth year, FUNPARK 2022 highlights the narratives of Mt Druitt youth and its residents through unique and critical expression of their Australian cultures, building a stronger and more resilient community for the people of Mt Druitt.

Films at the Underpass will screen at Bidwill Square, Bidwill NSW 2770 along Carlisle Avenue.

### **BLACKTOWN ARTS**

Blacktown Arts is a division of Blacktown City Council, recognised as a leader in the commissioning and presentation of community engaged contemporary arts. Our work extends to city-wide cultural planning, public art, managing a city art collection.

We manage three cultural spaces - The Leo Kelly Blacktown Arts Centre, Main St Studios and Kelso Lane Creative Hub.

At Blacktown Arts, we walk alongside our First Nations Elders, knowledge holders, and broader communities of artists, partners and collaborators in our shared vision of creative and cultural experiences being part of everyone's daily lives.