

Applying for Kickstart Helix

Need assistance?

Would you like to know more about the program or talk about your idea?

Would you like to discuss your accessibility requirements?

Would you like to submit an application in a different format?

Talk to a friendly Next Wave staff member!

Call (03) 9329 9422 or email kickstart@nextwave.org.au. If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, you can contact us through the National Relay Service and ask for 03 9329 9422.

What is Next Wave and Kickstart Helix?

Next Wave is an arts organisation that supports emerging artists through learning programs and a Festival that happens every two years.

Kickstart Helix is Next Wave's new learning program for artists, curators, producers and writers. Participants in the program are called Kickstarters.

Kickstart Helix is held across many locations around Australia over the course of one year. There is a list of dates and locations on the Next Wave website at nextwave.org.au/kickstart. The program includes workshops and residencies ('intensives'), showings (where you share your project before it's finished to get feedback from other artists), and lots of conversations with other artists and arts professionals.

Over the year, Kickstarters work on their most ambitious project to date and learn professional and creative skills along the way.

Who can apply?

Artists, curators, producers or writers at the beginning of their careers can apply. You want to create an ambitious new work of art. You want to experience an important learning and presentation opportunity. You are of any background, any ability, and are based anywhere in Australia.

What do Kickstarters get?

- Money (a \$2000 fee to pay yourself, and up to \$3000 to spend on the project).
- Three 'intensives' held across Australia. If you need flights or accommodation to attend these, Next Wave will pay. (Check nextwave.org.au/kickstart to find out when and where the intensives are. Make sure you are free on those dates before you apply).

- Help from a Next Wave Associate Producer.
- Introductions to other people in the industry who can help you.
- The opportunity to develop a project for Next Wave Festival 2018.

How to apply

Applications close on Thursday 17 November.

There are four steps:

1. First you need to choose which 'stream' you will apply in. Are you an artist, curator, producer or writer? You can only pick one. If you're not sure, you can contact Next Wave and the staff will help you decide.
2. If you haven't already discussed your application with someone at Next Wave, do this now! You can call, email or meet face to face. (The contact information is at the start of this document.)
3. Pick your form (Artist, Curator, Writer or Producer) from the Next Wave website. Fill out the questions, and your support material, along with your CV.

All your support material should be on the internet, and you should send us the web addresses to access it. Check the application form to make sure you are including the right type of support material for your stream.

Note: If you'd like to submit an application in a different way (for example a video or audio recording), it's possible! Please talk to a Next Wave staff member about it.

4. Select 'Click here to apply' at nextwave.org.au/kickstart. This will take you to a different website where you can upload and send the documents you have prepared. If you have any trouble, get in touch with Next Wave!

Then you're done! Next Wave will contact you to let you know if you have been successful by the end of the year.