

## Pacific Aniva Residency | Ngāmotu 2025 Guidelines for Applicants

**In 2025, Creative New Zealand and the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery | Len Lye Centre are working together to offer the Pacific Aniva Artist Residency to an Aotearoa-based Pacific artist or practitioner who identifies as LGBTQIA+/MVPFAFF+.**

The Residency will enable the selected practitioner to undertake a paid, three-month fellowship based at the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery | Len Lye Centre in Ngāmotu New Plymouth, to create a new body of work.

Applicants must have a record of artistic practice, have had at least one public work and/or one solo exhibition, and have expertise in any one of the following areas: visual art, heritage art, design, digital art, writing, public programming, performance or production, or curating.

**You are eligible to apply if you meet the following criteria:**

- Artist of Pacific Islands heritage
- Identify as LGBTQiA+/MVPFAFF+
- Permanent resident or citizen of Aotearoa New Zealand
- Applicants currently defaulting on any Creative New Zealand Funding will not be eligible to apply.

**What will be provided through the residency?**

- An artist fee of \$18,000 (\$6000/month) over three months
- A domestic travel budget to and from Ngāmotu New Plymouth of up to \$1000
- Accommodation of up to \$3000
- Material/project costs of up \$2000
- A local artist/creative mentor. The mentor can be nominated by the successful applicant, subject to conversations with CNZ, the Govett-Brewster, and the nominated mentor.

**Commitments of the residency**

- The successful applicant can be based in Ngāmou or work remotely. The artist will be required to present a new body of work. We are seeking applicants who are willing to engage and share their work with local Pacific LGBTQiA+/MVPFAFF+ communities.

**Timeline**

- Applications open: 7 February 2025
- Applicant talanoa session (online): 5.00pm, 5 March 2025
- Applications close: 5.00pm, 17 March 2025
- This will be followed by application assessments, and interview of a short list
- Residency dates are flexible by agreement between the artist, CNZ and GBAG/LLC

## **Objectives: Creative New Zealand**

- To recognise and advocate for professional and creative development opportunities for Pasifika artists and practitioners under the Creative NZ Pacific Arts Strategy 2023-2028.
- To strengthen Creative NZ's relationship with strategic partners in Aotearoa and globally for the Pacific Arts.
- To strengthen dialogue through creativity and lived experience on Pasifika culture and values.
- To highlight issues confronting the Pacific region such as climate change, cultural identity, environmental sustainability, LGBTQIA+/MVPFAFF+, women, youth or indigenous rights are highlighted and visible through creative expressions.

## **Intended outcomes: Govett-Brewster Art Gallery | Len Lye Centre**

- The Gallery successfully engages a Pasifika artist to undertake a three-month residency, researching and working with the Taranaki Pacific community, possibly towards a future exhibition and other programme elements.
- Opportunities are created and delivered which enable the Artist in Residence to build connections, relationships and opportunities with the local community, in particular the Taranaki Pasifika community.

## **How to apply**

Applicants must submit a single PDF document containing the following information:

1. A one-page project proposal explaining what you want to do including:
  - Key ideas/themes of your project
  - Rationale (why you are doing it)
  - How your project meets Creative NZ Pacific Arts Strategy pou: *Tagata, Va, Vaka, Moana*
  - Output (what you hope to produce)
  - Potential impact (benefits to the artist and communities/stakeholders).
  - Connection opportunities for local
2. A copy of a current/up-to-date CV, stating areas of artistic experience and expertise.
3. One support letter.

Short-listed applicants may be asked to submit further information if required and will be invited to attend a 30-minute interview (in-person or online) with the selection panel in late March.

The residency dates will be negotiated with the successful candidate.

**Applications should be sent as a single PDF attachment to [theresa.tongi@npdc.govt.nz](mailto:theresa.tongi@npdc.govt.nz) before 5pm 17 March 2025.**