Six National Regional Arts Fellowships Awarded

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As the national voice for arts in regional Australia, Regional Arts Australia supports high quality practice through professional development opportunities and cross-sector projects. Supported by the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund, Regional Arts Australia is delighted to announce six new Regional Arts Fellowships for 2021-2022 to the value of \$90,000.

Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, said the Fellowships represent a direct investment in the professional development of regional artists.

"I congratulate the six recipients of this year's Fellowships, who have each designed skills development initiatives to address the unique challenges experienced in their regional settings," Minister Fletcher said.

"With our support, these artists have the opportunity to expand their creativity, build strategic partnerships, and increase arts access in regional and remote communities across Australia."

The National Regional Arts Fellowships is an investment in the development of artistic and creative practice for artists and practitioners working and living in regional, rural and remote Australia. The initiative is applicant-led, cross disciplinary and open to multiple art forms. It addresses the need for creative development, career pathways, and supports individuals in time and place to develop their work, skills and networks.

Regional Arts Australia is delighted to announce the 2021 Fellows whom will each pursue a unique project that considers their arts practice, geographic location, landscape and physical and cultural environment.

Applicant Name	Location	Fellowship Category
Samara Cunningham	Fish Creek, VIC, 3959	Creative & Professional Development
Lewis Major	Mount Barker, SA, 5251	Creative & Professional Development
Sharon Vigona-Goudge	Karama, NT, 0812	First Nations - Creative & Professional
		Development
Stephanie Jack	Sandy Bay, TAS, 7005	First Timer
Sky River	Margaret River, WA, 6285	First Timer
Haneen Martin	Darwin City, NT, 0800	First Timer

"Regional Arts Australia is committed to facilitating opportunities that strengthen artistic and creative practice. We look forward to seeing how these Fellows connect and develop their creative practice and the contribution they will make to further develop contemporary regional practice across the national arts and creative sector," Regional Arts Australia Executive Director, Ros Abercrombie said.

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For a description of each project please see the <u>Fellowships Recipient List</u>.

National Regional Arts Fellowships are offered by Regional Arts Australia and is made possible by the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund, which supports the arts in regional and remote Australia.

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