

## APPLICATION STUDIO RESIDENCY

**Applications close Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

Nexus Arts is a contemporary arts organisation generating positive social outcomes by promoting understanding, acceptance and respect, celebrating difference and diversity through the arts.

Our Visual Arts program aims to present and support a diverse range of artists, media and subject matter. We are seeking artists who push the boundaries of contemporary art practice, initiate discourse and debate about cultural diversity and cultural identity through their works, and explore new ways of expressing relevant social issues surrounding cultural diversity in Australia.

Now in its fourth year, the Nexus Arts emerging artist Studio Residency has catered for significant exhibition, creative and professional development outcomes for South Australian emerging artists from culturally diverse backgrounds and/or who's work engages with culture or cultural diversity.

The Residency is offered twice a year, aligning with two significant cultural festivals, allowing emerging artists to develop a significant professional visual arts project and showcase it to a wide audience. At Nexus' discretion and subject to negotiation, applications may be considered for other times in the year, depending on our own programming and the needs or aspirations of the artist.

A plan of the gallery is attached for your reference. Nexus also encourages artists to consider using the windows and courtyard spaces for exhibition or performance art.

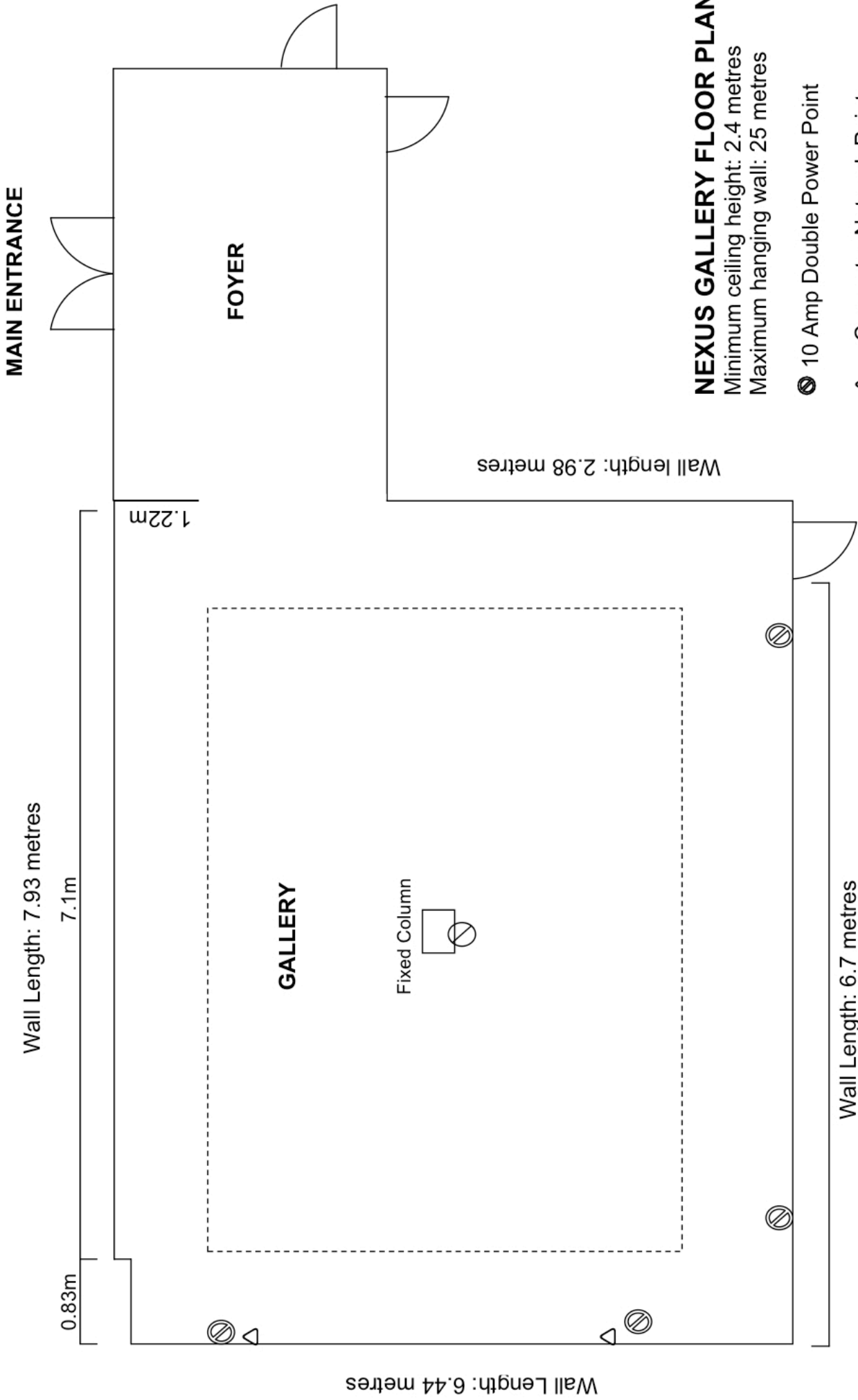
Please complete as much as possible of the following form to assist us in understanding more about you and your work. Return this form PLUS:

- Written project proposal (Max. 1 page)
- Support material and list of recent works (8 – 10 images)
- Artist CV (Max. 1 page)

Please direct **enquiries** and '**email applications**' to:

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Email applications are preferred but postal applications are accepted and to be addressed to "Visual Arts Coordinator".



**NEXUS GALLERY FLOOR PLAN**

Minimum ceiling height: 2.4 metres  
 Maximum hanging wall: 25 metres

- ⊗ 10 Amp Double Power Point
- △ Computer Network Point
- - Lighting Track

## ABOUT THE RESIDENCY

Nexus will provide successful applicants with the following:

- 24hour access to a free studio space in the Adelaide CBD for up to 3 months (the Residency).
- One mentorship opportunity per year with a leading South Australian creative practitioner or relevant industry professional (the Mentorship). Please note, the mentorship is ONLY offered alongside the SALA opportunity.
- A solo exhibition to coincide with a significant cultural festival (Adelaide Fringe or South Australian Living Artists Festival 2019), where the artist will be able to present work created during their residency (the Exhibition).

The two residency opportunities are offered as follows:

- **Fringe Opportunity:** Studio Residency and Exhibition
  - end-November/December 2018 residency leading up to an exhibition coinciding with Adelaide Fringe Festival, mid to late February 2019. (Please note that there is no mentorship attached to the Fringe 2019 opportunity.)
- **SALA opportunity:** Studio Residency, Mentorship and Exhibition
  - Studio residency and mentorship period from May/June 2019, leading to an exhibition coinciding with SALA (end July/early August 2019)

### Eligibility and criteria

To apply for the opportunity, an applicant must:

- Be an Australian Citizen or permanent resident practicing and/or residing in South Australia,
- Be considered or consider themselves emerging (approximated to the first 5 years of practice).
- Be from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse background or who's creative work explores culture and/or cultural diversity.

For SALA 2019 applicants:

- Can identify a potential mentor/s they would like to work with, and the reasons why this would benefit their creative and professional development. Nexus Arts will assist the successful applicant to broker/negotiate their mentorship agreement.

Applicants will be selected based on:

- the quality of their past work
- how the opportunity will best benefit the applicant's artistic and professional development at this stage of their career, as identified by the applicant
- the viability of their participation and the merits of their proposal.



## Exhibition costs

Nexus funding is limited and we do not offer grants. However, given enough time, we are able to assist **artists selected into our Visual Arts Program** in applying for grants to support exhibition costs. We strongly encourage applicants to consider the financial aspects of their project, looking at possible grant funding avenues to support their residency and exhibition.

Nexus will cover the **following** costs for artists selected into our residency program:

- Installation costs for the exhibition & opening night expenses
- Promotional material in the form of a postcard/flier and e-copy
- Publicity – e-news, media releases etc.
- Writer’s fees

Nexus does not cover any other expenses, including materials, transport of the works or catalogues.

Details of any grant funding sought/acquired to support the proposed project (including deadline dates for future rounds): .....

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## Sale of work

Artists are welcome to list works for sale, and Nexus will charge a 30% commission fee. Please note that we are not a commercial gallery, and our main focus will always be on the promotion and presentation of the latest in culturally diverse arts practice.

Works for sale:             Yes     No     Unsure

## Cultural Diversity

Please provide a brief outline of how your exhibition, your practice and/or your work relates to Nexus’ aims to inspire understanding, celebrate, and respect cultures and traditions:

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## SUPPORT MATERIAL DETAILS

Please supply at least 10 examples of recent works, on CD, DVD, USB or via a Cloud-shared folder (ie: Dropbox). For postal applications, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you would like your support materials returned.

Artist: .....

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Link to shared Cloud Folder: .....

Please ensure access permissions are granted.