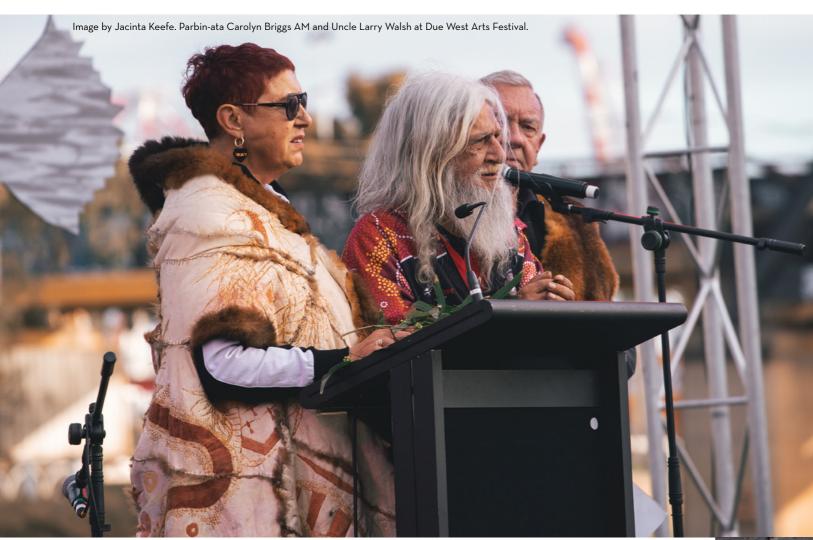


2019 ANNUAL REPORT







A Message from Our Elders

In 2019, we reflected on one of our most deepest held values: our respect for the land, our Mother. We have been heartened by the new wave of conversation-one that centres the need for both action and compassion.

If there is one lesson that history teaches us, it's that nothing is set in stone. The past few months have reiterated the importance of community to us all. The Indigenous Advisory Group has had the privilege to deepen the ongoing connection to community and provide mutual support between traditional custodians, the wider Indigenous community, and communities of the west.

This year, the IAG supported:

- Blak to the Future continued with its second instalment, platforming the next generation of Indigenous artists. This included an exhibition and the first ever Blak Klub (a club featuring live performance), raising the profile of emerging artist DJ Jewlz and curator Katen Balla.
- Blak Screen continues to be a popular event for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to explore First Nations stories through film. Curated by Producer and FCAC artist in residence John Harvey from Brown Cabs.
- Working in First Nations Cultural Contexts FCAC's professional development workshop for working with First Nations artists and communities- presented three sessions, with growing demand for FCAC to deliver this industry development program.
- Due West Arts Festival featured a strong Indigenous program, including Vicki Couzens and Katie West's Djawannacuppatea; Steven Rhall's Every 1's a Winger; and a film program consisting of Prison Songs, Kutcha's Carpool Koorioke, and Black Divaz.
- *Eel Trap*, a community-engaged work by artists Mitch Mahoney and Maree Clarke, supported by City West Water, Creative Victoria and Agilent and presented in partnership with Science Gallery Melbourne as part of 2019 season, *DISPOSABLE*.
- · A Little Piece of Heaven, presented in partnership with Orana Arts in partnership with Brown Cabs and YIRRAMBOI.

Thank you to all of the members of the Indigenous Advisory Group. We'd also like to thank former FCAC CEO and Director Martin Paten; newly appointed FCAC Executive Director Robyn Gawenda and Artistic Director Daniel Santangeli; former and outgoing Chair, Jason Rostant; FCAC Board and staff, who continue to support our ideas and needs in the arts, in 2019 and beyond.

Parbin-ata Carolyn Briggs and Uncle Larry Walsh

Executive Report

Reflecting on the year that was is always a rewarding experience at Footscray Community Arts Centre (FCAC). 2019 was a significant period of achievement for FCAC, with the delivery of ambitious programming, strategy development and organisational changes which will ensure FCAC continues to platform its key communities of focus in the context of rapid change in the West.

Our staff, Board, artists, volunteers, audiences and local community make FCAC a truly unique, safe and fun place to experience culture. We acknowledge our Elders-in-Residence, Parbin-ata Carolyn Briggs and Uncle Larry Walsh, and Indigenous Advisory Group members, who provide guidance and support throughout the year.

FCAC's diverse programming attracted over 85,000 people to the precinct across our flagship programs ArtLife, Indigenous Cultural Program, Emerging Cultural Leaders and Creative Workshops. Program highlights included FCAC's new focus on live music activation and Due West Arts Festival, a 10-day festival which transformed FCAC's lush precinct into the festival hub, welcoming 26,000 visitors to 64 events on the FCAC site and broader Maribyrnong City Council.

Following extensive community consultation, we finalised our Precinct Plan in collaboration with Creative Victoria (Victorian State Government) and Maribyrnong City Council and research by Parallel Practice. Recommendations from the Precinct Plan have underpinned FCAC's new 2020-2024 strategic plan, which was finalised in November 2019.

FCAC farewelled Director and CEO Martin Paten to usher in a new shared leadership model, with Robyn Gawenda appointed to the position of Executive Director and Daniel Santangeli to the position of Artistic Director. The new collaborative leadership model is responsible for implementing the centre's new strategic plan, supporting the future needs of the artists and local community, and responding to changes within the broader arts industry. At the conclusion of the year Jason Rostant stood aside from the position of Chair. Jason served an exemplary term as Chair, and continues to work on the FCAC board as a General Member. FCAC's Board was pleased to announce Julia White as his replacement from the beginning of 2020.

FCAC's team looks forward to continuing to develop creative and impactful experiences in collaboration with our communities of focus, and we want to thank our members, funders, patrons, donors and partners for their commitment, trust and vision.

Jason Rostant (Chair), Daniel Santangeli (Artistic Director and Co-CEO), Robyn Gawenda (Executive Director and Co-CEO) and Martin Paten (Former Director/CEO)



Our Impact

86,429 Total Visitors

\$135,515 In-kind Venue Hire for artists and communities



1739 Events and Workshops

> 1428 Paid Artists



\$1,000,838

Salaries to Creative Practitioners

38%

Self-Generated Income as a % of Total Income Curated by Jessica Ibacache

Works by Chelsea Michelle, Esther Tuddenham,

Megan Hunter, Jazz Acuña, Victoria Acuña Pakoti,

Digital Followers

41,400 sah Jing, Rachel Suarez, Jody Haines and Pia Jo

Website Traffic (Sessions)

76% Artistic Program featuring one of FCAC's

communities of focus

341 Free Events

Due West

Due West Arts Festival is a celebration of local stories and community spirit - inspired by the artists and culture of Melbourne's West.

Presented by Maribyrnong City Council and produced by Footscray Community Arts Centre, the festival saw local contemporary artists and acclaimed international acts showcase new works, performances, exhibitions and workshops over ten days in November 2019.

575 Paid Creatives

64 Events

14 Venues

496 Local Students Engaged

29 Local Partner Organisations and Businesses engaged

3900+ Hours of Volunteer Time

43,400 Website Visits

53,826 Reach on Facebook

\$1.9m PR value generated



2019 Highlights

Image by Nicole Cleary. Mitch Mahoney at Eel Trap exhibition.



Created by Boon Wurrung artist, Mitch Mahoney and Mutti Mutti and Boon Wurrung/ Wemba Wemba artist Maree Clarke, Eel Trap was a 10-metre installation made of biodegradable materials on the Maribyrnong River. Inspired by traditional Aboriginal eel traps and made of river reeds from the local area, this installation was an example of how we might use Indigenous knowledge, science and art to continue our fight towards a sustainable future. The installation was created by Mahoney, Clarke and the local community during a series of public workshops, and then released into the Maribyrnong River.

Image by Gianna Rizzo. MELODOWNZ at Hear Footscray.



HEAR Footscray, a new flagship live music series, has been a highly successful addition to FCAC's regular programming. Over 2019, HEAR Footscray has provided a much needed platform for local and international musicians to perform in the west, attracting new audiences, with 36% of attendees being first time visitors to FCAC, and over 50% of visitors residing in the Northern suburbs.

Image by Ivy Mutuku. Sampa the Great at her Spotify Album Launch.



Services

Venue hire and event management services continue to be a valuable source of revenue and entry point for new audiences to access FCAC. Over 2019, FCAC worked with value-aligned locals, government agencies and corporate businesses to deliver a range of events, utilising our unique precinct. FCAC will seek funds to upgrade existing facilities in 2020, to ensure our facilities can accommodate market demand.



Creative Workshops Program

Creative Workshops have continued to be a drawcard for local community members of all ages to try their hand at a new creative skill, refine their practice and connect. The School Holiday Arts Program has continued to be a strong favourite, with sell-out attendance in terms 2 and 3. FCAC also delivered the Generate: Working In First Nations Cultural Contexts Training in collaboration with FCAC's Indigenous Advisory Group to over 100 people in 2019, including representatives from across the Victorian and National arts and community development sectors.

to ensure an ambitious future for the organisation. The Precinct Plan was led by FCAC, undertaken by Parallel Practice, guided by a reference group that included representatives from the report's financial commissioners: Maribyrnong City Council and the Victorian State Government. The report has underpinned the development

In 2019 Footscray Community Arts Centre

(FCAC) undertook a precinct plan to inform future programming, infrastructure

requirements and business strategies

Precinct Plan

of FCAC's new 2020-2024 Strategic Plan, which focusses on the precinct continuing to service the existing and growing demand for high-quality cultural experiences and connection in the West.



Image by Jacinta Keefe. Due West Arts Festival.

Image by Beth McMahon. Taken at FCAC's School Holiday Arts Program.

Statement of Profit and Loss -

1 January 2019 - 31 December 2019

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
INCOME		
Self-generated Income	\$1,039,448	\$722,957
Grants - Government	\$987,181	\$1,340,137
Grants - Other	\$172,408	\$111,625
Due West Arts Festival Tender	\$351,000	\$39,000
Philanthropy, Sponsorship and Donations	\$154,744	\$114,406
Other	\$28,447	\$10,055
Total Income	\$2,733,228	\$2,338,181
EXPENDITURE		
Program Expenses	\$546,778	\$256,334
Service Expenses	\$33,580	\$40,856
Admin Costs	\$104,766	\$64,816
Facilties & Maintenance	\$145,236	\$147,879
Governance & Compliance	\$53,038	\$53,405
Marketing & Hospitality	\$107,023	\$51,964
Total Salaries inc. on-costs	\$1,720,010	\$1,695,650
Bank Charges	\$762	\$1,172

Other Fees & Charges

Total Expenses

NET PROFIT

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Statement	of Financial	Position

as of 31 December 2019

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
Current Assets		75500
Cash and cash equivalents	456,327	613,794
Trade and other receivables	216,312	177,680
Other current assets	14,201	8,035
Total Current Assets	686,840	799,509
Non-Current Assets		MA.
Property, plant and equipment	85,120	97,072
Total Non-Current Assets	85,120	97,072
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Total Assets	771,960	896,581
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LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	54,924	63,712
Financial liabilities	23,071	41,991
Provisions	60,595	68,996
Other current liabilities	620,656	717,837
Total Current Liabilities	759,246	892,536
Total Liabilities	759,246	892,536
Net Assets	12,714	4,045
EQUITY		
Reserves		
Accumulated Funds/ (Deficits)	12.714	4,045
Total Equity	12,714	4,045

\$13,365

\$8,669

\$2,724,560

\$4,992

\$21,113

\$2,317,069



Thank You

Thank you to the artists, staff, board, partners and patrons that made 2019 a success. We couldn't do it without your support and dedication.

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