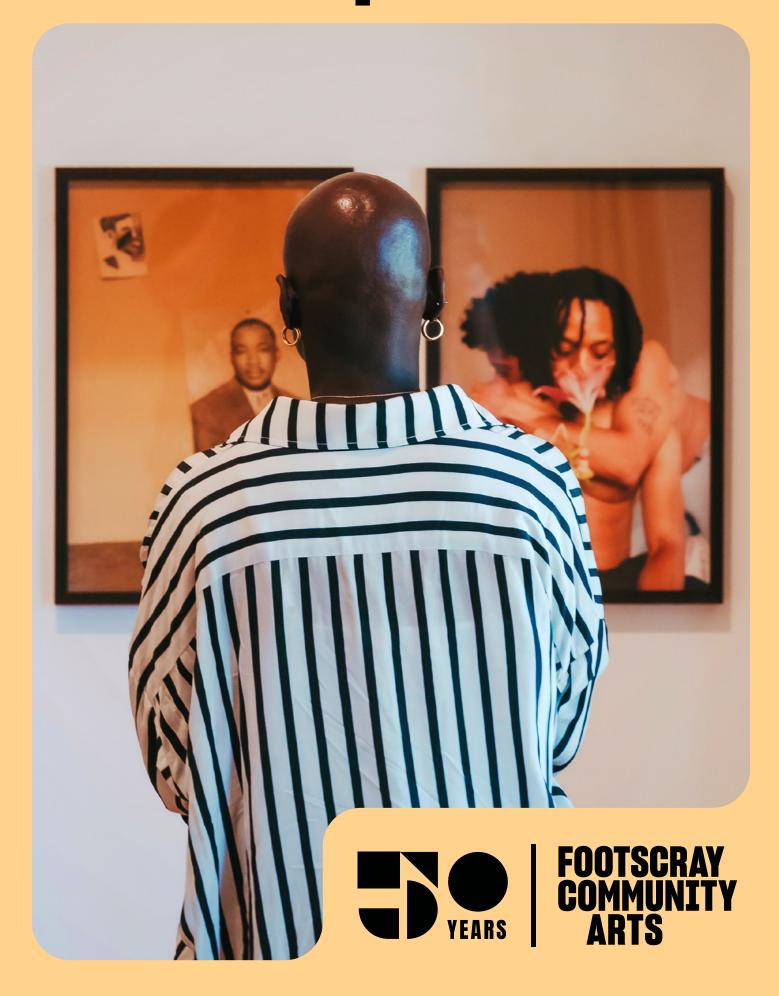
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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people of the Kulin Nation. We offer our respect to the Elders of these traditional lands, and through them, to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

We thank the Elders in Residence - N'arweet Dr Carolyn Briggs AM and Uncle Larry Walsh - and the Indigenous Advisory Group for their ongoing guidance and leadership at Footscray Community Arts.



### A Message from our Elders

In 2023 the work of the Indigenous Advisory Group has been focused towards the future, as we plan for the possibilities of a new outdoor performance space and re-indigenising the landscape surrounding Footscray Community Arts. Connection back to the river is a vital part of this process, as is creating spaces to gather, yarn and connect to ceremony.

We have also continued to encourage cultural and artistic exchange through our international residency programs. As part of an exchange with the Indigenous Ainu community we supported Ngioka Bunda-Heath to undertake a residency in Tokyo & Hokkaido in 2023, ahead of welcoming Mayunkiki in early 2024. We also supported Tarryn Love to undertake a residency in Canada, and we hosted Atheana Picha, Salish Artist from the Kwantlen First Nation in residence at Footscray Community Arts.

Live music was once again a highlight of the Indigenous Cultural Program in 2023 with our Bluestones sessions kicking off with an all First Nations line up featuring Bandok Tati, Izy, and naycab. In October, we welcomed Isobel Morphy-Walsh (Taungurung) and Vic Morphy to weave up a storm and reimagine how the river looks to Australia's native water-rat, the Rakali.

We have also been pleased to support the sharing of knowledge and embedding cultural awareness in schools through our professional development offering Teaching First Nations Perspectives which was led by artists Dylan Singh (Wiradjuri) and Maya Hodge (Lardil and Yangkaal).

Custodianship is a concept and value which is an essential way of how Footscray Community Arts does business. We are proud to be a source of guidance and support to this place as Elders and custodians, for then, for now and for our future.

N'arweet Dr Carolyn Briggs AM and Uncle Larry Walsh on behalf of the Indigenous Advisory Group

#### **IMAGE CREDITS**

**Cover:** *Orange Grove* by Clifford Prince King, 2024. Image by Matto Lucas.

**Left:** Uncle Larry Walsh at Queer Out West by Matto Lucas, 2024.

### **Chair Report**

2023 heralded some changes and new beginnings for Footscray Community Arts.

Our work toward the new outdoor performance and public space funded generously through the Victorian State Government continued to develop, with the appointment of the core project management team, and extensive community engagement in the planning and design stages.

I'd like to acknowledge the support of our local State and Federal MPs Katie Hall and Dr Daniel Mulino, both of whom took time to visit and understand FCA, and to talk with us about our long-term strategic vision. Their advocacy and support is greatly appreciated.

In March, we farewelled Executive
Director and Co-CEO Robyn
Gawenda, with current Executive
Director and Co-CEO Bec Cole
joining us in May. Artistic Director
and Co-CEO Daniel Santangeli
took a three-month sabbatical with
support from the Social Impact
Leadership Australia program which
in turn created an opportunity for
the team to step up and develop
their leadership capacity.

Thanks must go to my Board colleagues who consistently step up when asked, often going well above and beyond a 'normal' board

role. Welcome to Lung Ong and Mary Henley-Collopy who joined us in May and farewell to longstanding Board Director and former Chair Jason Rostant.

Jason's seven years of board service was defined by some significant activities, including some challenging years financially, the introduction of a coleadership model, our extended work toward the FCA Precinct Masterplan and our response to Covid. I'd like to acknowledge his leadership and governance insight through these times and thank him for his support.

In 2023, we were proud to continue to offer pathways into governance through Board Observership programs. This year we welcomed Bianca Benjamin and Mariam Mgoter who were able to add so much value to the work we do.

I would like to pay special thanks to the Indigenous Advisory Group who through our unique dual governance and leadership model offer support and guidance to the Board, Executive team and staff. We place immense value on this group of Elders, community leaders, artists, and cultural workers who generously share their knowledge with us.

Thank you too, on behalf of the Board, to our staff, who contribute significantly to upholding the values and reputation of FCA. And, of course, to the artists and our extended community for everything you contribute to the remarkable legacy of this place.

The community which surrounds
Footscray Community Arts has
never been more important or
relevant and remains our true
north. Through 50 years of change,
Footscray Community Arts continues
to be a place where artists feel like
they belong.

And, as we enter 50 Years of Footscray Community Arts, we will be looking to celebrate a remarkable legacy of artists, members, former staff, and all of the people who have contributed to this special place. Thank you!

#### Julia White Chair





Image: QueerPHOTO Outdoor Installations by Will Hamilton-Coates, 2024.

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### **Executive Report**

In 2023 we recommitted and reimagined what it means to fulfil our vision that all communities are valued as makers of culture.

We are incredibly proud of our team and have been pleased to invest in leadership that is truly representative of the communities we centre and prioritise. At this moment in time, Footscray Community Arts, between Executive and our Senior Leadership Team we have representation of First Nations, people of colour, disabled people and LGBTIQA+ communities leading our organization.

This is a remarkable feat in the arts and creative sectors where this kind of representation is rare, and often produced as an adjunct to an organization's core business rather than actively driving it.

This shift also means we are reimagining how we deepen our engagement, as we renew our ways of working to be more inclusive of perspectives and approaches that are just as diverse as the communities we belong to. This work is long term, and iterative as it moves with a changing sector and changing ways that people engage with place and practice.

2023 was also a year of continued rebuilding and recovery following the past two years of upheaval for our sector through the pandemic. We have chosen to view this as an opportunity to return to first principles, to focus on how we best support and platform artists,

and to put to work our resources for the benefits of creative engagement. This has meant utilising our reserves to ensure we can invest in artists as a first priority.

The work of Footscray Community Arts to centre and prioritise communities is ever evolving.

2023 saw the finalisation of our Disability Inclusion and Action Plan which was developed in deep consultation with the artists, artsworkers and communities whose lived experience of d/Deafness and Disability offer perspectives of strength and support, while offering us ways of working that are more accessible for all.

We successfully raised \$130,000 to upgrade our van which is a critical link between ArtLife Studio artists and the arts industry, facilitating exhibition visits and access to professional development. We could not have purchased this van and included upgrades to support wheelchair access without the support of our partners, major donors and individual donors - a heartfelt thanks for your support.

A new Strategic Plan was an important piece of work completed in 2023, establishing a renewed focus towards our core principles of curation, custodianship, connection and care as fundamental to the way we work. Critical to this was reframing our values to uphold and affirm Cultural Agency, prioritise Access and Inclusion and work towards a Next Practice approach which is sector leading in producing ambitious community-led work.

We have also embarked on a transformative project which will see our iconic amphitheatre and grounds reimagined as a purpose-built outdoor performance space, accessible pathway for all and re-indigenised landscape. We're excited for the possibilities of this project and look forward to sharing the revitalised outdoor space with you.

And of course, we produced exhibitions, events, live performances, delivered workshops and professional development opportunities and welcomed over 85,000 people through our doors.

To our staff, our heartfelt thanks for your commitment and dedication, we can't do this work without you.

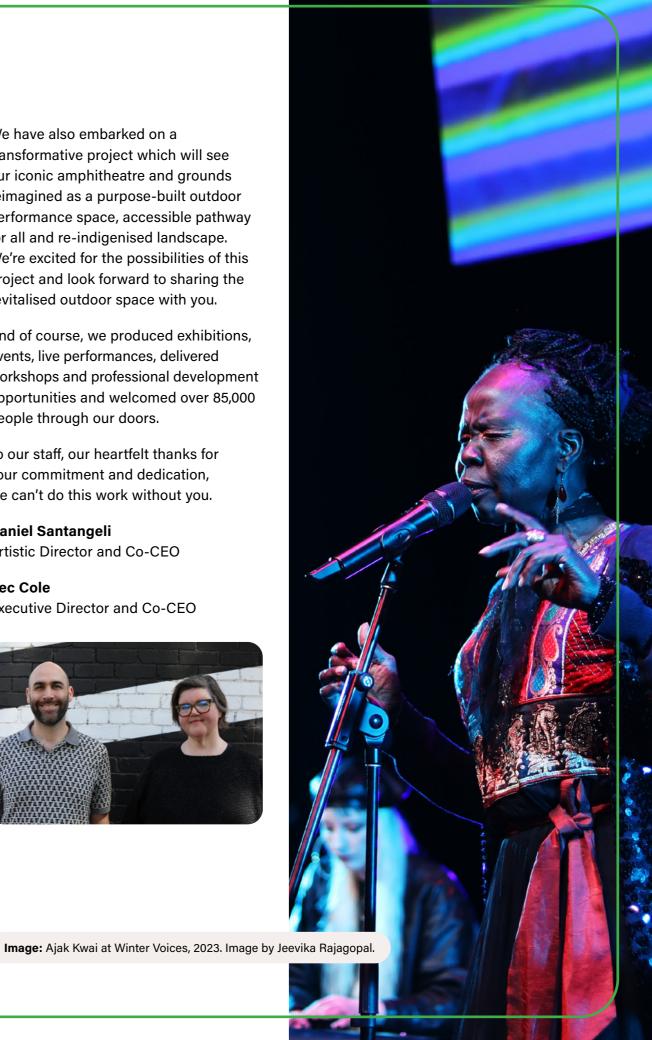
#### **Daniel Santangeli**

Artistic Director and Co-CEO

#### **Bec Cole**

**Executive Director and Co-CEO** 





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### **Who We Centre & Prioritise**

We centre and prioritise artists and artsworkers who are First Nations, people of colour, people from diaspora communities, and people who have lived experience of d/Deafness and/or Disability, and people from the LGBTIQA+ community.

This is a deliberate choice.

We understand that many of the artists and artsworkers we centre and prioritise may have multiple lived experiences that intersect. We prioritise genuine representation from these communities across all areas of our work - in our program, in our workforce and in our leadership.

When we set targets, it is to hold ourselves accountable to this commitment.

We also welcome allyship from artists and artsworkers who do not have this lived experience, and we understand that active allyship is also a way to move towards affirming and upholding equity.



Role/Level	First Nations	Culturally Diverse	d/Deaf or Disabled	LGBTIQA+	
Board	•	•	•	•	
Indigenous Advisory Group	•			•	
Executive	•	•	•	•	
Senior Producers & Managers	•	•		•	
Producers & Core Staff	•	•	•	•	
Casual Staff		•	•	•	
Contract Staff	•	•	•	•	
Artists	•	•	•	•	

#### **Our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Approach**

This diversity matrix describes the spread of representation across different roles and different communities that we worked with in 2023.

We have not specified numbers of people that are representative of each community in this document, rather the diversity matrix is an opportunity to strategically address any gaps through recruitment, employment pathways and mentorship.

At least 85% of our staff identify with one or more of these communities.

At least 85% of artists we work with identify with one or more of these communities, with 15% identifying as First Nations.

**Left:** Archival photo of Footscray Community Arts Centre. Date Unknown.

### **2023 Highlights**

#### **Artistic Program Highlights**

### **Sekala Niskala**

As an organisation Footscray Community Arts value strong relationships with artists and arts organisations in the Asia Pacific region. In line with this, we were thrilled to partner with Project 11 to present the *Sekala Niskala* exhibition in 2023.

Sekala Niskala – translating to 'the seen and unseen' - presented an opportunity to welcome back international artists into our centre to share and exchange with our local community after the lockdown years. Established Indonesian artists - Agus Saputra, Kuncir Satya Viku, Ni Luh Pangestu, Satya Cipta and Septa Adi - each trained and highly proficient in traditional Balinese artistic technique and form, wove tradition and contemporary arts practices to explore contemporary issues involving the LGBQTIA+ communities, conservative social norms and mental health.

Below: Sekala Niskala at Footscray Community Arts, 2023. Images by Gianna Rizzo.





Above: 2023 年ウポポイ訪問 Cultural Exchanges-Saison AIR Partnership Ngioka Bunda-Heath, Mayunkiki, Kanoko Tamura

### **International First Nations Cultural Exchanges**

As part of our ongoing commitment to support the cultural exchange between First Nations arts communities, Footscray Community Arts has been working with two international arts organisations to develop and deliver culturally safe and artistically valuable residency exchange programs for First Nations artists, with the support of Creative Australia.

In 2023, through our partnership with Grunt Gallery, we supported Gunditjmara Keerray Woorroong Tarryn Love, alumni of our Tarnuk-ut Baany program, to attend the Blue Cabin Floating Artist Residency in Canada, and welcomed Salish Artist From The Kwantlen First Nation Atheana Picha to take up residence in one of our Henderson House artist studios.

We also partnered with Japan's Saison Foundation to support Wakka Wakka, Ngugi and Birrpai dancer and storyteller Ngioka Bunda-Heath to travel to Tokyo and Hokkaido to undertake an artist residency and cultural exchange with the Ainu First Nations community. The second half of the exchange involved hosting Ainu artist Mayunkiki at Footscray Community Arts in early 2024.



Above: Bright Exhibition Launch, 2023. Image by Gianna RIzzo.

### **Bright**

Our major exhibitions program epitomises the purpose of Footscray Community Arts: to present art that champions social justice and to provide access to artists historically and currently marginalised from the creative industries.

Footscray Community Arts' final major exhibition of 2023, *Bright* was both a celebration of playfulness and a provocation. For *Bright*, Curator Pamela Debrincat drew upon her lived experience of disability to establish accessible curatorial frameworks – she is passionate about dismantling boundaries between artist and audience and using sensory experiences to dissolve perceptions of disability while generating accessible artistic experiences. Pamela's vision

brought together new works that invite connection by artists Darren Aquilina, Emily Floyd, Megan Hunter, Prue Stevenson and Thomas Miller. Projects like *Bright* speak to a radiant future of artistic practice that is possible with curators like Pamela at the helm of artistic projects.

Footscray Community Arts' ArtLife
Studio supports artists to set and
achieve ambitious artistic goals. It is
unique as an NDIS-supported program
for its commitment to artistic excellence,
its artist development framework
underpinned by strengths-based practice
and its commitment to recognising
d/Deaf and Disabled artists as professional
contemporary artistic practitioners.

### **Public Art: The New Footscray Hospital**

As the official Arts Partner for the New Footscray Hospital development, Footscray Community Arts worked with our hospital partners Western Health, Plenary Health and Victoria University to establish the curatorial narrative "of place" to connect patients, staff and visitors with the history and significance of Footscray.

It was a milestone to release the first public EOI for the Journey to Footscray public art opportunity, resulting in the shortlisting of three artists for artwork that will activate the precast concrete in two external locations. We also established a partnership with the Australian Tapestry Workshop to commission a collaboration between Mutti Mutti/Yorta Yorta and Boon Wurrung/Wemba Wemba artist Maree Clarke and Boonwurrung/barkindji artist, Mitch Mahoney for an ambitious, 10-metre-long tapestry, which will weave a microscopic river reed for the public realm to be delivered in 2024.

The New Footscray Hospital will open late 2025 with Footscray Community Arts curating a range of art experiences across the largest health infrastructure in Victoria's history.

**Below:** Mitch Mahoney and Maree Clarke, commissioned artists for the New Footscray Hospital. Image by Ash Buchanan.



### **We Need a Van**

In mid-April last year, we launched a very ambitious fundraising campaign in the hopes of securing \$50k funding for a new Community Van. By reaching this target, Creative Partnerships Australia (CPA) would co-match this funding, doubling it to \$100k.

And thanks to every gift big or small, we exceeded this target, totalling \$130k!

Now, our new community van will empower ArtLife Studio artists, providing constant access to the wider industry, unlocking more means for inspiration and understanding of surrounding artist communities. The additional funding has also meant that we could complete a range of access upgrades which is critical to ensure that the van can fulfil its purpose of providing these opportunities in a way that is accessible for everyone.

### **Our Disability Inclusion Action Plan**

Our Disability and Inclusion Action Plan is a document that has been created in collaboration with our community.

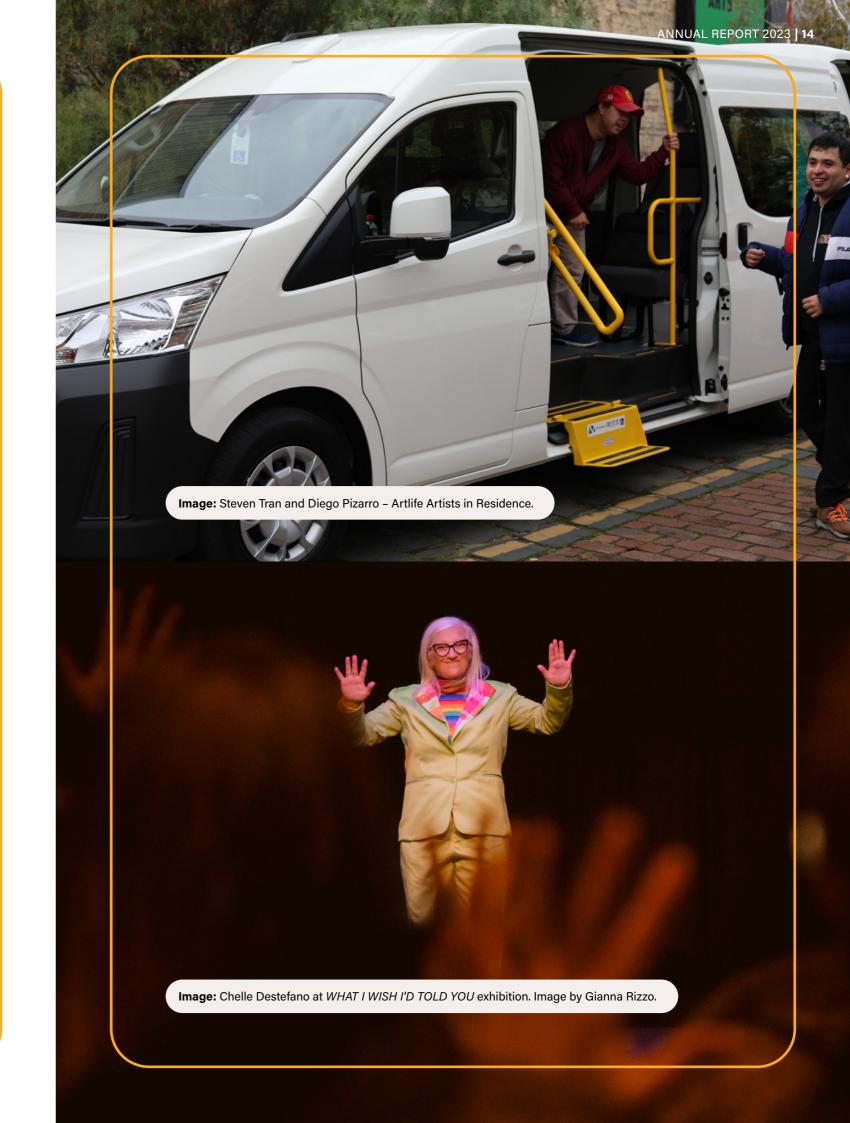
It is a plan to make sure Footscray Community Arts integrates accessible ways of working, developing and presenting art. This plan is about the future. It will help us organise ourselves to make sure all aspects of our operations and program are accessible.

We engaged with over 133 people from our d/Deaf and Disabled community, as well as staff, Board members and other stakeholders and we will continue to listen deeply to ensure we deliver on the plan.

### **Growing Our Leadership**

Generous support from the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation Foote Trust ensures that the communities we centre and prioritise remain at the forefront, enabling the creation of two new roles: Artistic Program Manager and General Manager.

We are thrilled to have Asha Bee Abraham and Allie Stapleton, respectively, join us in these roles designed to support a more equitable arts industry through the creation of cultural leadership roles alongside mentoring and professional development opportunities.



### **Farewell to Darren Gee**

'Where's Daz?' has been a familiar refrain at Footscray Community Arts looking for our quintessential problem-solver across technology, venue and media. For nearly thirty years, Darren has been the unsung hero, always there to lend a hand and make the magic happen.

As we bid adieu to Darren, we reflect on his extraordinary contributions. A beloved member of staff, he's been the backbone of support for both colleagues and, more importantly, the countless artists and community members fortunate enough to cross paths with him.

From imparting wisdom to offering guidance, Darren has left an indelible mark on all who have had the privilege of working with him. The legacy Darren leaves is immeasurable; one of generosity, kindness and infinite patience. We have all been enriched by his presence.

Heartfelt thanks to the wonderful Darren Gee; you will be sorely missed but forever a part of the Footscray Community Arts family.

### FCA x VU - Our 50 Year Connection

Celebrating the long-standing relationship between Victoria University and Footscray Community Arts.

For fifty years, Footscray Community Arts has been a cultural icon in Melbourne's West, nurtured by its longstanding partnership with Victoria University. This journey began in 1974, when the Footscray Institute of Technology, now Victoria University, offered a tin shed to a group of passionate artists and unionists. Led by Peter Green and George Seelaf, this space, affectionately known as 87A, became a vibrant arts hub.

Peter, a drama lecturer, and George, an honorary Master of Arts recipient, setup the shed with creative energy, transforming it into a hub for multicultural artistic expression in Footscray.
Their efforts, along with community support and advocacy from figures like the late Eric Westbrook, secured crucial funding and laid the groundwork for the centre's establishment.

A pivotal moment came in 1977 when George Seelaf campaigned to save Henderson House from demolition. This victory secured a permanent home for Footscray Community Arts, where it still stands today, hosting galleries and residency programs. Celebrating fifty years, this enduring partnership between Victoria University and Footscray Community Arts continues to inspire and cultivate artistic excellence and community connection.

**Top Right:** Darren Gee, 2024. Image by Jeevika Rajagopal. **Bottom Right:** Na Djinang Circus 'In Place' VU & Iramoo Nursery Partnership with FCA, 2023.



### **Reimagining a Cultural Icon**

#### **Stage One is Underway**

Our outdoor spaces are undergoing a remarkable transformation, thanks to a significant \$8.7 million investment from the Victorian State Government. This funding breathes new life into Footscray Community Arts' cherished amphitheatre, evolving it into a versatile, architecturally designed performance venue.

The redevelopment promises year-round weather protection, increased operational efficiency, reduced noise for neighbouring residents, and enhanced accessibility. In addition, we're creating more green space for daily community use, complemented by a landscape design cares for Country.

To achieve this vision we're working with the best: design led by MGS Architects and Simone Bliss Landscape Architects together with project directors RP Infrastructure.

Construction is slated to commence in late 2024, with the unveiling of the new performance space scheduled for early 2026.

#### **Master Plan**

State government investment also allowed us to initiate a comprehensive Master Planning process to envision the entirety of our site. This forward-looking blueprint, co-authored with Maribyrnong City Council in 2023, captures a vision for the future of the Warehouse Building.

The redevelopment of 47 Moreland Street will deliver a multitenanted creative arts precinct housed across the Warehouse footprint and Henderson House. With Footscray Community Arts as the existing lead tenant, the precinct will respond to unmet demand for creative spaces in Melbourne's West.

Expansion of Footscray Community Arts' gallery footprint will provide space for creatively ambitious and large-scale exhibitions providing a landmark gallery for Melbourne's western suburbs.

With the Master Plan, Footscray Community Arts is now able to seek investment for these future upgrades.

Right: Revitalisation Project - Stage One



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### **Financial Report**

The disruption of the past few years has continued to impact our operations, but we have chosen to focus on wrapping support around artists as they adapt to a new way of working too.

Investment through the Creative Victoria Sustaining Creative Organizations fund through 2022, has meant we were able to build a reserve in 2023 for investment into our programs without relying as heavily on earned income and project funding to support our activities.

Earned income was still a significant proportion of our operating income, with 29% being generated through venue hire, box office, services provision, retail operations and tenancies. In addition, 34% of our funded income has been put towards the production, development and presentation of artistic outcomes, including salaried creative staff.

In 2024 we will build a New Commissions Fund to support artists in the creative development of new work, in celebration of 50 remarkable years of Footscray Community Arts. This fund will enable the critical link between the formation and deepening of artist and community relationships, and act as leverage to attract additional investment through funding and philanthropic support.

## Statement of Financial Position 31 December 2023 (Australian Dollar A\$)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS			-		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,697,363	2,461,319	1,318,114	1,040,163	456,327
Trade and other receivables	32,968	337,649	59,182	125,817	216,312
Other current assets	43,890	32,637	29,972	35,147	14,201
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	2,774,221	2,831,605	1,407,268	1,201,127	686,840
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Property, plant and equipment	165,643	85,720	65,974	70,159	85,120
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	165,643	85,720	65,974	70,159	85,120
TOTAL ASSETS	2,939,864	2,917,325	1,473,242	1,271,286	771,960
LIABILITIES					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Trade and other payables	63,229	207,721	58,872	59,344	54,924
Financial liabilities	49,685	25,323	34,838	26,654	23,071
Provisions	108,638	117,867	142,117	104,689	60,595
Other current liabilities	2,504,986	2,164,577	1,054,316	833,473	620,656
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2,726,538	2,515,488	1,290,143	1,024,160	759,246
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,726,538	2,515,488	1,290,143	1,024,160	759,246
NET ASSETS	213,326	401,837	183,099	247,126	12,714
EQUITY					
Accumulated Funds	213,326	401,837	183,099	247,126	12,714
TOTAL EQUITY	213,326	401,837	183,099	247,126	12,714
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	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
INCOME					
Self-Generated Income	1,027,355	1,085,694	743,052	451,315	1,066,982
Grant Income	2,233,085	2,247,172	1,587,100	1,023,100	1,510,589
Sponsorship, Philanthropy & Donations	263,595	201,262	368,903	41,700	154,744
Other Income	9,597	862	6,333	4,632	913
Federal COVID Stimulus	-	-	162,300	1,058,050	-
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	3,533,632	3,534,991	2,867,688	2,578,797	2,733,228
EXPENDITURE					
Program Expenses	476,672	825,037	641,270	246,403	559,761
Service Expenses	14,250	23,273	26,094	10,375	33,580
Admin Costs	300,053	199,061	145,439	71,285	95,079
Facilities & Maintenance	187,764	175,069	160,485	136,289	141,941
Capital Project Expenses	646,643	-	-	-	-
Governance & Compliance	82,971	68,154	44,493	47,036	53,038
Marketing & Hospitality	104,462	195,917	208,240	51,503	107,023
Total Salaries including On-Costs	1,906,008	1,829,308	1,697,121	1,778,102	1,720,010
Bank Charges	1,312	1,115	784	619	762
Other Fees & Charges	2,009	(681)	7,787	2,772	13,365
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,722,143	3,316,253	2,931,714	2,344,385	2,724,560
Net Profit (Loss)	(188,511)	218,738	(64,027)	234,412	8,669

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Image: The Zizi Show by Jake Elwes, 2024. Image by Matto Lucas.

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