

Public consultation for new
national cultural policy

Information on how to submit



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What is the consultation about?



What is the consultation about?

The Australian Government is developing a new National Cultural Policy to shape the future direction of the creative and cultural sector.

Building on the success of [Revive: A place for every story, a story for every place](#), the new policy will address gaps, respond to emerging priorities, and provide a clear framework to support a vibrant and sustainable cultural future. It will set a clear direction for the coming years and guide how we support creativity, cultural expression and participation across the nation.



Why is it important to have your say?

Your views will help us identify priorities, address emerging challenges and opportunities and build on the achievements of [Revive: a place for every story, a story for every place.](#)

The deadline to fill out the form to have your is **11.59pm AEST on Sunday 24 May 2026.**



Why is it important to have your say?

ADAP (**Equity: the Arts and Disability Associated Plan**) is a specialized, four-year roadmap created by the Australian Government to ensure that people with disability are central to the recovery and growth of the arts sector.

ADAP is a direct action of **Revive**, the national cultural policy, designed to fulfill specific goals regarding representation and accessibility, as outlined in the Revive cultural policy for the next for years.



Why is it important to have your say?

Your feedback will directly inform the development of Australia's new National Cultural Policy, helping to shape a framework that supports our cultural and creative sectors into the future.

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Information in other formats.

- Additional information, in Easy Read and Auslan formats can be found at the following link: <https://www.arts.gov.au/what-we-do/new-national-cultural-policy>
- ADNA also has resources in Easy Read and Auslan on our website: <https://artsdisabilitynetwork.com.au/haveyoursay>



How to have your say



How to have your say.

Read the [Public Consultation Paper](#) and provide your feedback by writing a statement of up to 500 words or uploading a submission document using the [online form](#) (preferred document formats are .docx (Word) or .pdf).

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

- Some questions must be filled in including your name and email address. Demographic information questions are voluntary. You will have the option for your submission to remain anonymous and/or private.

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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

- The online submission process will not time out, but please do not close your browser unless you have already saved your answers. Once you submit, you will not be able to change your answers.



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ADNA resources

<https://artsdisabilitynetwork.com.au/haveyoursay>



ADNA resources

ADNA's submission. ADNA have created a 500 word submission that you can cut and paste into the text box if you agree with what we say.

ADNA's submission covers the following points:

- **Arts and disability culture as essential infrastructure**

The submission argues that arts and disability culture should be recognised as a core part of Australia's national cultural infrastructure, vital to community life, equity, and full cultural participation.



ADNA resources

ADNA's submission covers the following points:

- **Access as a fundamental right and economic imperative**

With over 20% of Australians identifying as disabled, and audience and artists contributing to the creative industries, prioritising access is just economic logic, it is ensuring that participation in culture is a fundamental human right.

- **Call for a sixth pillar: “Access for all Australians”**

It recommends adding a dedicated sixth pillar in the National Cultural Policy to embed accessibility at the centre of cultural life and align Australia with global standards.



ADNA resources

ADNA's submission covers the following points:

- **Disability-led practice as a driver of policy**

The submission emphasises that Deaf and disabled communities should not just benefit from policy but actively shape it, with their knowledge recognised as essential to long-term structural change.

- **Investment in community-led cultural development (CACD Australia)**

We propose establishing a national Community and Cultural Development body to support arts and disability communities, strengthen resilience, and ensure culture is inclusive, sustainable, and responsive to future challenges.



Other ways to use ADNA's submission:

- Cut and paste whatever parts of ADNA's submission you agree with and add your own arguments in the word count that is left.
- Write about arts and disability culture is important to you or your organisation and then link to our recommendations.
- Use one of the recommendations we made in our cover letter to write a new submission (you can find this on our webpage)
- You can also write a new 500-word submission in your own words



Time commitment

ADNA recommends preparing your submission before starting to fill out the form. **It is a good idea to leave at least 15 minutes to fill out the form.**

You can:

- **Save your response.**
- **Take a break** and return later.
- **Stop at any time** before submitting your views.



Feedback, questions
and deadline



Your feedback

- ADNA will be collecting feedback on our submission until Thursday the 21st of May. We will incorporate your feedback into our final submission.
- You can send ADNA your feedback or contact us if you have any questions about our resources. Our contact details are:

Call us on [08 8463 1689](tel:0884631689) (voice only) or via the National Relay Service on 133 677 (text phone)

Email us at hello@artsdisabilitynetwork.com.au



Alternate formats

To request to share your views in a different format or ask questions about the process, please email culturalpolicy@arts.gov.au.

You can also call them on [1800 248 025](tel:1800248025) during standard business hours (AEST).



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