

FAIRBRIDGE FESTIVAL

Fairbridge Festival 2021: Performer Information

Thanks for your interest in our festival! This document outlines how we operate. It should inform your quoted fee. Please explore our website and socials for more information and visuals on the wonderful atmosphere and friendly vibe of the festival.

An extra little note - obviously this has been a crazy year. Everything is a lot more up in the air than we're all used to. Please understand that competition for spots at the event will be stiffer than ever. We appreciate your understanding and resilience. Here's to a wonderful future for the arts...

Expressions of Interest - The Process

EOIs will be open from August 17 - September 21 2020. We will notify all applicants on the outcome of their EOI by email.

We have a team of six programmers who view all the applications. The vast majority of opportunities at the festival are for music performances. However, we are proud of our broad offering of dance displays, In Conversations (talks and panels), specialised youth and children's programming, and engaging workshops. We encourage applicants to consider multiple ways of engaging with the festival across the program. We outline some of this below - please let us know in your EOI notes if you have any ideas on how you can add something special this year.

Music Workshops

We love presenting a range of workshops at the festival. If you can present a 45-minute workshop on something we'd love to hear about it in your EOI. This can be focussed on an instrument, a musical style, a musical pedagogy, or song-writing craft. Consider also offering a special youth or child workshop or participative session.

Dance

Our dance program runs throughout the festival. We present dance displays and workshops. We love facilitating collaboration with our performers. You can present a display of dancing or provide a participative workshop - or a mixture of the two. If you can work with a live band we can provide great production.

In Conversations

“Talking about music is like dancing about architecture” goes the old saying. Like all truisms, it can be fun to break this rule! Whether it’s a deep dive in the song-writing process, talking about how your interesting life has contributed to your artform, or just a yarn about your craft, our In Conversations series gives our audiences a peek behind the curtains into the mind of artists.

Special Concerts & Presentations

Crafted by our Artistic Director every year, these concerts are often the highlight for audiences and performers alike.

Youth & Kids

We have special areas onsite with multiple venue spaces for both children (0-12) and youth (13-25). We present a full program of participative arts workshops for both children and teens. If your band can play a set appropriate for kids or youth, make sure to let us know. Any participative workshops or facilitated sessions for the kids or youth areas would also interest our programmers.

Other Offerings

Do you have an idea that doesn’t fall into any of these categories? Please let us know! We can book street performers, circus acts, spoken word performers, theatre shows, gran schemes, parades, processions, roving mischief makers, serial session starters, and other mavericks. We’re always looking to provide exciting new experiences to our audiences and love working with artists to develop new ideas. Get in touch.

Production

Full production, staging, and operators will be provided to all performance venues. You may bring your own FOH engineer, but it is not necessary. Requested backline will be provided to most performance venues. Drummers: BYO snare and cymbals. Our workshop space will have a very small PA provided without an operator. We can really only provide limited wireless headset microphones - so please only request one if it’s essential!

Arts Workshops

For teen or children’s arts workshops, please provide as much technical detail as you can (particularly your power requirements). We cannot provide materials, so please include materials costs in your quote. We have extremely limited storage, so please let us know if you require us to store your materials. The space has trestle tables and chairs provided, plus helpful volunteers to assist your workshop.

Street Performers

Please be detailed about how much space you need, how much power you require, and how loud you are. Please also note that we need to apply for special permits if you wish to use fire in any way, so please be very clear on your application.

Instrument Lockup & Transport

We provide a secure instrument lockup service to all performers, so you can keep your gear in a safe and climate-controlled environment. If you have unusually heavy or bulky equipment, we can also assist with moving your gear to your performances. No vehicle movement is allowed across the festival site.

Credentials

All performers will be provided with entry tickets (as long as we receive all names in good time!). Day performers are generally given day passes only. Performers who are booked across multiple days are provided with festival passes, which includes camping in the artist camping area. Camping means we provide you with space for your car and campsite - it is BYO all camping supplies. No power is available to campers. We do not provide plus ones. We do give performers access to special discounted tickets for their friends and family.

Accommodation

Interstate and international performers are provided with onsite accommodation in historic cottages. These cottages are cute but old. The cottages are self-contained houses with shared kitchen facilities and shared bathrooms. The rooms vary, but most are shared with 3-4 single beds, and usually without locks. The cottages are located at the festival site, often right next to venues. We provide linen, pillows, a doona and a towel. You will need to bring your own toiletries. There are no shops onsite.

Local performers are able to purchase accommodation if they do not wish to camp. Please get in touch for more information. We cannot offer free accommodation to local acts.

Transport

We do not book flights for performers. Please consider this when providing your quote. We provide a shuttle bus service for performers between Perth Airport and the festival site, which is about a 90km journey. We cannot guarantee ground transport. Please get in touch before booking any flights. Performers arriving on the festival shuttle busses will be taken to a shopping centre on their way down to the festival site, so they can purchase supplies for the weekend.

Hospitality

Unfortunately, we cannot provide hospitality riders to performers. There are no shops on-site. There are many wonderful food and drink vendors, and some bars. You are welcome to bring your own food with you to the festival site. There are strictly no campfires allowed, and no power available to campsites. There is a general store that sells milk, bread, and ice.

Artist Central is a space we provide artists to relax and hang out. There is tea and coffee provided, an info desk, and lots of space to chill. There is a special artist bar open during the evenings.

There are small marquee greenrooms provided at most performance venues.

Fee

Your requested fee must be a quote for a **delivered fee**. This means that we cannot cover any further expenses. If you have any questions about this, please contact us. We require performers to provide an invoice, with ABN or Statement by Supplier, to make payment. Australian law requires us to withhold 48% of your fee if no ABN or Statement by Supplier is provided.

Exclusivity

Most festival performance contracts include exclusivity clauses restricting other performances around the location and time of the performance dates. Please get in touch with us if you would like to perform in WA around the time of the festival.

Working with Children Check

We require that all artists working in close quarters with minors provide us with a current Working With Children Check card. This mostly applies to those presenting youth or children's arts workshops. Contact us if you require more information.

Merchandise

We allow artists to sell merchandise side-of-stage. We also provide a Festival Shop where artists may lodge merchandise for sale. Sales made through the shop will be subject to a commission.

International Performers

We require that international performers have an Australian agent. Please contact us if you need more information, we'd love to help. We cannot book flights for you. We cannot assist with your immigration requirements and visa applications.

FAQ

- If you have multiple acts, please submit an EOI for each act. If your fee will change depending on if we book multiple acts, just add that info in the 'Misc Notes' box.
- Unfortunately, we do not have the time to provide feedback or discuss your application.
- If you would love to be involved in another way, there are great opportunities to MC or volunteer at the festival. Join the mailing list to find out more.
- You can join the mailing list by signing up on our website!

For more information:

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