



LIMELIGHT

ART | SCIENCE | LIGHT 3.0

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Murray Arts is incredibly excited to announce **Limelight: ART | SCIENCE | LIGHT** is returning in April 2024.

We are seeking to commission audacious and stirring artworks and interactive activities that will engage, surprise and delight audiences.

WHO WE ARE

Murray Arts is the Regional Arts Development Organisation (RADO) in the Border and Northeast Victoria Region. We are a not-for-profit incorporated association, governed by a volunteer board and one of the 15 Regional Arts Development Organisations (RADO) in the NSW network and the only one of the 15 that works with LGAs outside of NSW.

Each RADO was established to respond to their region's unique needs. The NSW RADO network is a state and local government initiative which sees each RADO receive the same amount of annual core funding from Create NSW and then an annual financial contribution from each of their participating LGAs

The NSW RADO network is strong and supportive, we regularly share resources, team up on joint ventures and assist one another to best support our regions as a whole. Murray Arts' unique position on the NSW and Victorian border means that we are also linked in with Regional Arts Victoria who takes a strong interest in co-supporting our Victorian LGAs.

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LIMELIGHT BACKGROUND

Our very first Limelight: ART-SCIENCE-LIGHT burst onto Gateway Island in 2018 with the aim of exploring environmental science concepts through a one night only free outdoor art experience accessible to everyone. It was such a success we decided to revisit and expand the model.

Following a COVID enforced hiatus of 3+ years we held Limelight 2.0 in April 2022. Thousands of visitors saw a one-night only extravaganza of animated projections, fire sculptures, storytelling, interactive art experiences and much more. Artworks and interactive experience were all underpinned with an aim of bringing science to audiences in a creative, engaging way.

Following on from the success of our 2022 event Limelight: ART | SCIENCE | LIGHT 3.0 is going to evolve and grow! The main event takes place on Gateway Island, Wodonga with a touring component added to take selected works to two surrounding regions.

THEME

We are seeking artworks and interactive activities that explore the intersection of Art and Science in playful, thought provoking, innovative ways.

For examples of previous works visit the Limelight page on Murray Arts website: <https://murrayarts.org.au/limelight-2022>



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FORMAT

Works and activities will be experienced at night by large groups of people walking along the trail so need to be visible at night, suitable for family groups, accessible for all audiences. Public safety should also be considered in the choice of design and materials.

LOCATIONS

The primary location will be Gateway Island, Wodonga. See map below for an outline of the Limelight trail from 2022. Selected works will also tour to two regional locations within the Murray Arts footprint.

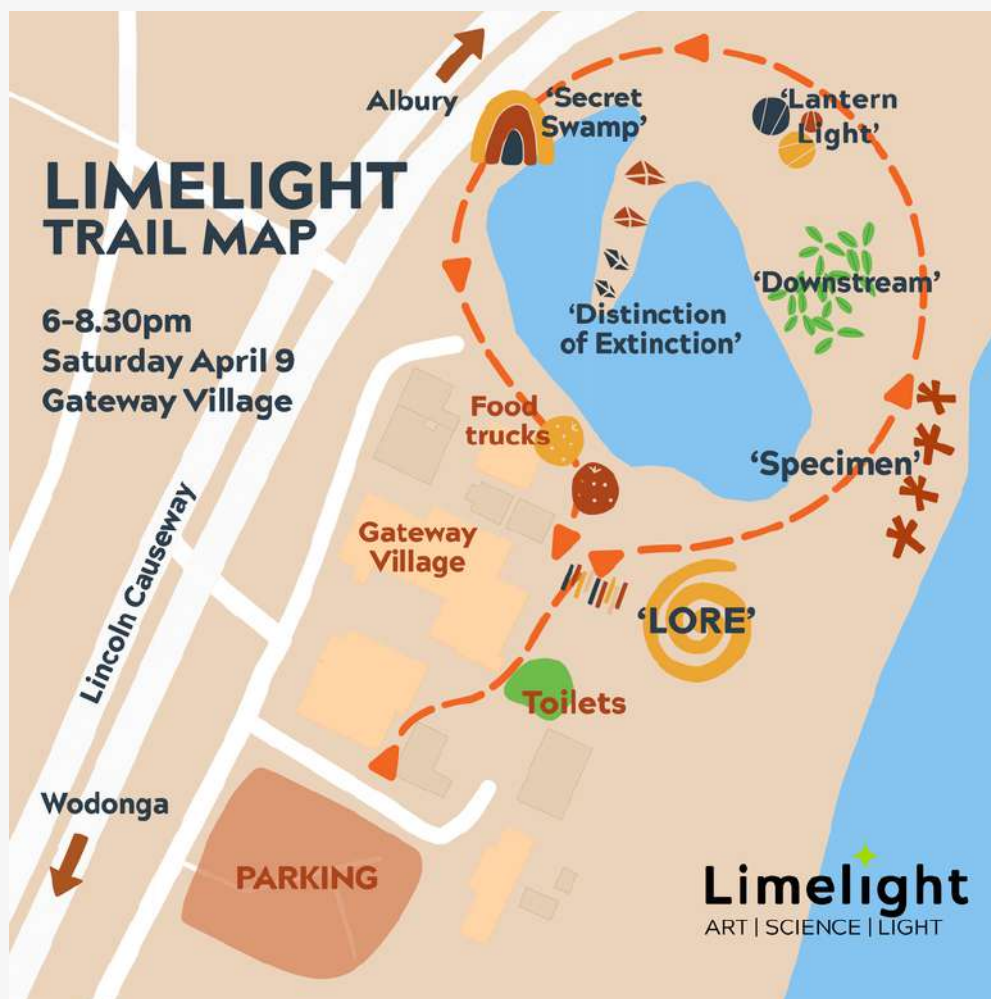




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ELIGIBILITY

This EOI is open to creatives who live, work and connect with the Murray Arts footprint.

The Murray Arts footprint borders the Indigenous Nations of Dhuduroha, Yaithmathang, Bpangarang, Wiradjuri, Yorta Yorta & Wavaroo and encompasses the local government areas of AlburyCity, Greater Hume, Federation, City of Wodonga, Indigo & Towong.

To be considered for this project please provide;

- current artist CV/bio
 - contact details
 - examples of past work. You can email still images or provide online links
 - A draft concept. The concept can be a written concept only or a sketch up. The more detailed the concept the easier it will be for the panel to select but we also understand if you don't want to give away your IP at this early stage. Tell us what you can and we will go from there.
 - A ballpark project fee covering fabrication/creation, installation, attending event, de-installation etc. (We will work with all selected artists to create defined budgets).
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TIMELINE

Friday 23 June 2023	EOI opens
Friday 4 August 2023	EOI closes
Friday 1 September	Artists selected and notified
March 2024	Artwork completed
April 2024	Event dates TBC

Email your EOI to: projects@murrayarts.org.au

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions please contact

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