

**2022 Country Arts Support Program (CASP) applications are now open!**

The Country Arts Support Program (CASP) is an annual small grants program administered by Outback Arts in partnership with Create NSW to support a creative and vibrant regional NSW arts scene.

**Up to \$3000 is up for grabs for each application for projects occurring between 1 May and 31 December 2022. Eligible activities include workshops, exhibitions, performances, artist-in-residence programs, and public art and design projects.**

2021 CASP funding for the Outback Arts region totalled a little over \$17,000, involving eight projects from Warren, Burren Junction, Coonamble, Brewarrina, Walgett and The Marra.

The projects supported included music festivals, performance development and presentation, creative skill workshops in painting, how to work with resin, public artwork and local history being captured in artistic displays.

*Outback Arts Executive Director Jamie-Lea Trindall said, "CASP is a significant investment directly into our region. Each year we see exciting and inspiring community events funded by CASP, this year we are looking for a renewed focus on community connection through creative and cultural experiences in the recovery of the last two years."*

**The process is an online application, and the applicants are required to discuss their proposals with the team at Outback Arts before submission.**

**Applications close at 5 pm Friday 1st April 2022, AEST.**

For assistance and to book a time to discuss your project idea please call Outback Arts on 02 6822 2484.