

2025/2026 City of Adelaide Community Grants Major Round Recipients

Arts and Culture Grants – Major Round			
Chamber Music Adelaide	On The Terrace 2026 - 10 Year Celebration <i>1 November 2026</i>	A free event featuring over 40 chamber musicians performing at the State Library, Art Gallery, Museum and Rundle Mall. It includes access inclusions in partnership with Access2Arts including touch and audio described tours and performances from Tutti Arts choirs. New 10 th anniversary elements include a commission responding to the State Library's collection and celebrating City Library's new location with workshops exploring the creative process. The project includes a world premiere showcasing culturally diverse musicians, collaborative performances with CASM students and professional ensembles, and a university showcase of students performing with professionals.	\$20,000
The Mill Incorporated	First Nations Group Exhibition at The Mill 2026 <i>1 August – 31 October 2026</i>	A SALA exhibition of four local First Nations artists, two established and two emerging. Artists include Lisa Khan (Yankunytjara /Antakirinja) and Sally Scales (Pitjantjatjara). In partnership with Ku Arts, two emerging artists will be selected from Ku's Summer Residency, which supports early to mid-career artists working in ceramics and fibre. The Mill will provide curatorial guidance, venue, marketing, installation, and project management, while Ku Arts will offer additional support. A printed catalogue with a catalogue essay will also be produced to showcase the artists' work.	\$13,000
Mary Angley	UNCLE VANYA But There's ASMR Soap-Cutting Videos Playing In The Bottom Right Corner <i>9 – 18 July 2026</i>	Local queer, femme led theatre company Paper Mouth will present a new locally written play as part of the State Theatre Company's SPARK program. The play is a retelling of classic Chekhov play Uncle Vanya, reframed for a contemporary audience. Access is integrated into the production with dramaturgically embedded audio description included. The project includes the provision of free and discounted tickets to remove barriers for priority groups.	\$19,000
Matt Fortrose	Franklin Street Mural <i>1-30 April 2026</i>	Local artist Matt Fortrose will create a new abstract mural on the side of the Adelaide Bus Terminal on Franklin Street. The artwork will be created in collaboration with a disabled artist with mentorship provided and support through Co-Art Studio. The artwork will be abstract and use layered shapes, gentle colour changes, and textured surfaces that interact with light and movement. It will support minimization of graffiti of this council owned wall asset with an incorporated graffiti management plan.	\$20,000
Adelaide Contemporary Experimental	Tangled Lives: Creative Performance Program <i>5-13 September 2026</i>	A creative performance project hosted by Adelaide Contemporary Experimental (ACE) and Adelaide Botanic Gardens. Across a week in spring, Tangled Lives will poetically explore ideas of eco-grief and remediation through performances, workshops, music, food and connection. This curated program of free public events brings together leading local artists and performers whose work embraces practices of care. Tangled Lives will culminate in an event, featuring a mix of live performance led by artists with disabilities and chronic conditions, including wheelchair dance, guided meditation, performance art and music.	\$15,000

Young Adelaide Voices	WATU Youth Choir Festival <i>15-18 June 2026</i>	WATU is a choral festival intensive for high-school aged youth, offering an immersive musical experience for young singers. The program brings together like-minded youth in a connected, social, and non-competitive environment. The festival places participants in residence together, rehearsing and performing in Adelaide Town Hall. The festival encourages community engagement through a free performance in Victoria Square /Tarntanyangga, pop-up performances across the city, a ticketed evening concert at Town Hall, and potential for a free lunchtime concert. The festival emphasizes the accessibility of singing and the importance of arts practice for young people.	\$19,500
Tutti Arts Inc	The Heart Beat Club - disability led club nights in the city <i>1 April – December 2026</i>	The Heart Beat Club is a pioneering club night program, run by and for learning disabled (LD) and neurodivergent people. Developed by adults with learning disabilities, it is one of the few Australian arts projects led by this community. The Beats Crew, a team of LD and neurodiverse artists skilled in DJing, VJing, digital content, and club production, deliver inclusive events that celebrate learning disability culture and provide a platform for talent showcase. They will host two 18+ club nights in accessible venues, featuring performances by the Beats Crew and special guests. Events aim to engage the disability community and the public, promote music, and create paid employment opportunities for emerging LD and neurodiverse artists.	\$14,500
ARTHUR INC	Home Grown <i>5 July, 2 August, 6 September, 4 October & 1 November 2026</i>	A series of five curated Sunday-afternoon live music events running monthly from July to November 2026. Each event will showcase a progression of original SA musical talent featuring two bands performing their first-ever gigs, two mid-career bands with under two years' experience, and one headline act with over two years performing together. All events begin at 2pm to attract younger audiences, are free to attend, and all artists will be paid.	\$12,000
Latin Arts Community Support Network (Lacs Network)	The 2026 Latin Arts Festival <i>11 October 2026</i>	The Latin Arts Festival aims to showcase the richness and diversity of South Australia's Latin American communities, uniting more than 23 nationalities through music, dance, visual arts, food, and cultural traditions in Tarntanyangga / Victoria Square. The event will feature more than 21 stage performances representing multiple countries. A visual arts area will highlight painters, sculptors, writers, and children's programs, while local vendors will offer authentic Latin American cuisine. An entrepreneurial showcase will give emerging small business owners and artisans a platform to display and sell Latin-inspired crafts, complemented by practical workshops for the public to learn traditional crafts.	\$14,000
Community Impact Grants – Major Round			
Minus 18 Foundation	Queer Formal 2026 <i>21 November 2026</i>	An annual free, accessible and safe LGBTQIA+ youth event for 400+ attendees aged 12-19. The event, taking place at Adelaide Town Hall in November, aims to connect queer young people to each other and to the people and services that support and empower them.	\$14,000
ActNow	<i>Like Me Like You</i> 2026 Reconciliation	Five free performances of ActNow Theatre's <i>Like Me Like You</i> , for children in years 1-4. The theatre piece explores the different people, cultures and stories that make up Australia today. The performances feature artists from diverse backgrounds and raise awareness about inclusivity and belonging. The performances will be presented in North Adelaide	\$18,900

	Week 27 May – 3 June 2026	during Reconciliation Week 2026. An additional performance will take place during the <i>Like Me Like You</i> book launch, and one of the five performances will be Auslan interpreted.	
Chinatown Adelaide SA	2027 Lunar New Year Street Party 13 February 2027	An annual community celebration that highlights Adelaide’s rich cultural diversity fostering cultural exchange and strengthening community bonds. This vibrant event provides an opportunity for South Australians to experience Asian heritage through performances, food, and festive activities.	\$20,000
Trees for Life	Regenerate in the Adelaide Park Lands Wellbeing Program 2026/27 July 2026 – May 2027	A welcoming intergenerational program targeting city dwellers over the age of 55 years and young adults/international students who may be feeling isolated to get active in nature. The project includes fourteen 3-hour nature-based events over eight months in the Adelaide Park Lands. The free program includes hands on bush care, a relaxed nature walk, citizen science activities, cultural awareness activities, and native plant propagation. A nutritious simple lunch to end the activity is provided to encourage community connections.	\$20,000
MOSAIC Adelaide	Community Nights 2026/27 March 2026 – February 2027	A series of eight intercultural gatherings at Multicultural Communities Council of South Australia’s MCCSA Multicultural Hub and co-hosted with partner community organisations. Each event offers cultural immersion through heritage education, food, music, and traditional performances, fostering connections among international students, migrants, refugees, and residents. The program aims to strengthen community cohesion and inclusion in the City of Adelaide.	\$8,000
Multicultural Youth SA	Tea with a Refugee during Refugee Week 19-20 June 2026	A free, public, multicultural community activation as part of Refugee Week 2026. The event will provide a welcoming space for members of the public to share tea with young people from refugee and asylum seeker backgrounds and engage in honest, humanising conversations. The project aims to build social cohesion by enabling connections between newcomers and the community. The event will feature cultural performances by refugee young people, light musical activations and a “high tea” experience.	\$6,000
Korean Community of SA	Korean Culture and Food Festival 2026 7 November 2026	The <i>Korean Culture and Food Festival</i> will return to Rundle Park in 2026 for its 18th iteration. The festival will feature food stalls, performances, and interactive activities, strengthening multicultural understanding and community wellbeing.	\$11,375
Pride Adelaide	Pride March Adelaide 2026 November 2026	An annual LGBTQIA+ community celebration in the City of Adelaide, expected to attract more than 7,000 participants in 2026. This volunteer led initiative is supported by key partners who provide operational, safety, and accessibility support.	\$12,000
Mariposa Trails Suicide Prevention Network	Rhythms of Wellbeing April 2026 – April 2027	A program to create welcoming spaces for multicultural communities to heal, create, learn and thrive together. Through monthly creative workshops, community wellbeing education sessions and a multicultural wellbeing celebration held during Mental Health Month at city venue Casablaba this free program aims to strengthen social inclusion and enhance the wellbeing of multicultural communities within the City of Adelaide including international students.	\$20,000

Collab4Good Ltd	Business for Good Community Festival <i>24 September 2026</i>	<p>A one-day ticketed festival held at Flinders University City Campus aiming to connect 100 people representing South Australian social enterprises and small businesses with a particular focus on those led by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culturally and linguistically diverse individuals and those living with a disability. This event will provide a meaningful space for celebration, connection and collaborative development for those who run small businesses that put community and environmental impact first. This collaborative event by Collab4Good and the South Australian Social Enterprise Council (SASEC), supported by FlindersNVI, will be co-designed and facilitated with associates from across the South Australian social enterprise community.</p>	\$4,300
NAIDOC SA Committee	NAIDOC SA March and Family Festival <i>10 July 2026</i>	<p>The premier community event on the South Australian NAIDOC Calendar. This First Nations volunteer led event is free and open to all to attend and features cultural performances and family friendly activities. The event is expected to attract over one thousand people to Tarntanyangga Victoria Square.</p>	\$17,425