

Regional Arts Development Fund – 2025/2026

Successful Applicants Round 1 2025/2026

Applicant	Project	Grant Amount
Australian Romantic and Classical Orchestra	ARCO builds creativity in Gympie through workshops, concerts, and engagement In August, ARCO will return to Gympie, further developing partnerships with community musicians and educators established in 2024 and strengthened in 2025. In response to demand, ARCO will again present historically informed performance (HIP) workshops with the Cooloola Community Orchestra (CCO), Gympie Strings and James Nash SHS. ARCO will also perform a public concert for the Gympie community together with our 'Talk & Tea' engagement event. CCO will open the concert, performing music from the workshops. This time, ARCO will also bring our acclaimed Voyage of Music Discovery to deepen community engagement with and understanding of music and its emotional impact.	\$8,000
Lorelle Murray	Somewhere in Between Somewhere in Between is a visual arts exhibition exploring identity, mental health, and spirituality themes through paintings, drawings, and mixed media work. The exhibition traces the search for balance across various themes and styles, moving through fluid spaces where vulnerability shifts into resilience, the past blends with the present, and stagnation stirs toward growth. The works invite audiences into a process of becoming, opening space for reflection and dialogue on the transformations we are always moving through.	\$5,080
Ian Gunn	Looking back, Looking Forward The project employs 2 experienced artists, to produce an exhibition at ART POST from Tuesday 17 February to Saturday 7 March 2026. The artists will produce a compelling exhibition combining selected past work and work made during the timeframe of the project. Each artist will present an artist talk for the public to gain insights into our ideas and processes.	\$7,050



The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Gympie Regional Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

