



Expression of interest

2021 NSW National Science Week grant funding

The NSW Executive Committee for National Science Week and Inspiring Australia is seeking Expressions of Interest from event providers to deliver innovative live, online and hybrid events and activities that can be delivered as part of science week from 14-22 August 2021.

The purpose of this funding is to connect community members with science and technology, including in regional communities, and to enable community presenters to develop interactive science events and activities for the general public. This funding is not intended to support projects targeting school students.

Where possible, we encourage applicants to collaborate with NSW Regional Science Hubs (See current [list](#)) as well as other local event providers that have well established audiences e.g. libraries and regional museums.

We are especially interested in receiving proposals that show evidence of community building and collaboration to boost engagement with STEM and welcome innovative ideas for engaging community members that may not ordinarily engage with science and technology.

Eligibility

Expressions of Interest for funding of up to \$5,000 are invited to support initiatives that bring together local individuals and organisations to produce welcoming events and to create compelling online content that can be presented as part of National Science Week in August 2021.

Applicants may include but are not limited to:

- Scientists and freelance producers working with community groups
- Local government (e.g. councils, youth and family services)
- Business associations and chambers of commerce
- National Parks and Wildlife services and Landcare groups
- Schools, universities and TAFE colleges
- Arts and community organisations
- Local clubs and societies
- Local media organisations such as community news and radio services

Initiatives that are collaborative, involve multiple partners and attract other sources of funding towards proposed activity will be highly regarded.

Selection criteria:

National Science Week live, online and hybrid events and activities must meet at least two of the following criteria:

- Inspiring young people to pursue an interest or aptitude in science
- Extending networks and partnership opportunities
- Encouraging community participation and feedback
- Encouraging diversity and inclusion in programming
- Sharing Australian science achievements and knowledge.

Funding allocations will be decided on merit and the applicant's ability to meet the selection criteria. Successful applicants will be required to submit a short video clip (filmed on an i-phone if no video camera available) describing the impact of their program. This footage may be edited along with event clips into a highlights reel for future promotional use.

Funding amounts

Applicants that meet the selection criteria can apply for funds of \$2,000 to \$5,000 to support the delivery of National Science Week activities between or close to 14-22 August 2021.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5:00PM Monday 22 March 2021

Applicants will be notified of the results by Friday 23 April 2021.

Payment of the grant will be made upon receipt of a valid tax invoice and once event details are logged on the National Science Week event calendar at www.scienceweek.net.au.

Questions and requests for further information can be directed to:

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NSW 2021 National Science Week Expression of Interest

Before completing this Expression of Interest, please read the **National Science Week NSW Guidelines** (pp1-2) that outlines the purpose and eligibility criteria for this funding. Please type applications into this form and keep within suggested word limits.

Email completed applications to:

inspiringnsw@sydney.edu.au

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5:00PM Monday 22 March 2021

Name of applicant:	
Position:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
Email address:	

Local Government Area (LGA):

<input type="checkbox"/> Central West	<input type="checkbox"/> Murray	<input type="checkbox"/> South Eastern
<input type="checkbox"/> Far West	<input type="checkbox"/> Mid-North Coast	<input type="checkbox"/> Central Coast
<input type="checkbox"/> Hunter	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern	<input type="checkbox"/> North Western
<input type="checkbox"/> Illawarra	<input type="checkbox"/> Central West	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rivers
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Riverina	<input type="checkbox"/> Murrumbidgee	<input type="checkbox"/> Far South Coast
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Lakes	Central Tablelands	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Region
<input type="checkbox"/> Murrumbidgee	<input type="checkbox"/> Richmond	<input type="checkbox"/> Far West
<input type="checkbox"/> Sydney surrounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Sydney inner	<input type="checkbox"/> Sydney outer

If you are not sure of your LGA, please check here:

http://www.dlg.nsw.gov.au/dlg/dlghome/dlg_regions.asp

Names of participating organisations and key contact details:

Name	Organisation	Email
1.		
2.		
3.		

Brief description of any existing or previous community science activity delivered by applicant (no more than 150 words):

Brief description of proposed events/activities (no more than 500 words)

Brief description of plan for responding to COVID-19 restrictions if necessary .

Do you have experience in delivering online content? Please describe and provide a link to online content if possible.

How will you promote your activity and ensure community participation?

What long-term outcomes do you expect to achieve through this activity? (no more than 300 words):

Target audience:

General audiences Students Families & children Business & industry Festival audiences Seniors Tourists

Other (please describe):

How will this activity meet selection criteria (see p.2, no more than 300 words):

How will you measure the success of your online event or activity?

PLEASE COMPLETE THE PROJECT BUDGET OVERLEAF

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Funding requested

Please use this template to provide the budget for your submission. Include estimates of voluntary contributions including volunteer labour, free use of venues and other pro bono partner contributions

All figures should be GST inclusive.

Project Item	Amount	Voluntary contribution
Labour <i>e.g. Coordinator, artist fees, hosts, specialist contractors etc.</i>		
Production costs <i>e.g. Studio hire fees, props, staging</i>		
Marketing/ media/ promotion <i>e.g. Promotion, publicity, design, advertising</i>		
Administration and overheads		
Other (please list)		
Total amount:		

Before forwarding your submission please use this checklist:

- I have read the Grants Guidelines and this project meets selection criteria

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