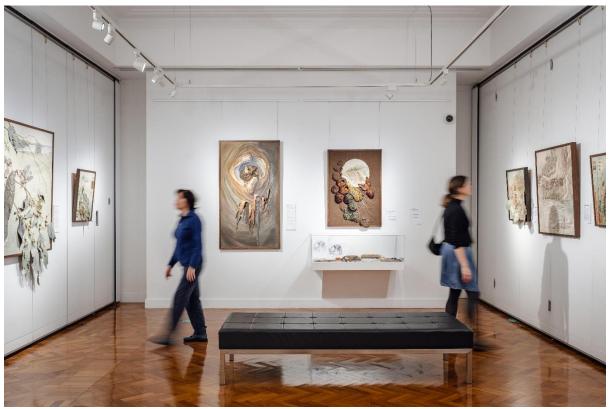
# Whitehorse Artspace Exhibition Program 2026 - Expressions of Interest -



Annemieke Mein 'Nature Revealed' exhibition, installation view Whitehorse Artspace

### **Expressions of Interest**

Whitehorse Artspace invites artists who live, work or study in Whitehorse to submit an Expression of Interest to exhibit in our 2026 Exhibition Program during April / May. Artspace welcomes a range of exhibition proposals across various media including ceramics, drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, photography or textiles. Individuals and artist groups/collectives are eligible to apply.

Artspace calls for expressions of interest to ensure a diverse exhibition program and provide pathways for local artists to exhibit in a professional public gallery. Artists are provided with curatorial support, marketing opportunities and are paid artist fees. This opportunity was formerly known as the Invited Artist / Invited Group program.

#### WHITEHORSE ARTSPACE

Opening in November 2006, Whitehorse Artspace is the premier gallery within Whitehorse City Council. The annual exhibition calendar includes selected works from the historic Whitehorse Art Collection established in 1927 and curated group and solo exhibitions. The gallery space is flexible, with the inclusion of partition walls that can be extended or retracted to create different layouts.

#### **GALLERY LOCATION AND HOURS**

Whitehorse Artspace is located on the ground floor of the Box Hill Town Hall, 1022 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill and is easily accessed from the CBD by car (25 km), train or tram. Free half hour parking is available on site with ample disabled parking and easy wheelchair access. Admission to the gallery is free.

#### **Opening hours:**

Tuesdays to Fridays 10am to 4pm Saturdays 12 Noon to 4pm Closed on public holidays

#### WHAT ARTSPACE OFFERS SUCCESSFUL ARTISTS

- Curatorial support including:
  - Developing exhibition themes and concepts
  - Selection of work for display
  - o Exhibition design and layout, including wall decals and object labels
- · Artwork installation and deinstallation
- Printed postcard invitations
- Digital marketing through Creative Whitehorse channels
- Listings in Art Guide Australia and Art Almanac
- Floor catalogue
- Catered opening event
- The works will be insured while on display at Whitehorse Artspace
- An artist fee of \$2000.00 will be paid to the successful individual or group (the same fee for group or solo exhibition).

#### The successful artist/group will be responsible:

- Framing general presentation of artwork to a high professional standard
- Transporting work to and from the gallery
- Providing high quality artwork images with copyright permission to use for marketing purposes

Whitehorse Artspace does not handle art sales but is able to facilitate communication between interested buyers and exhibiting artists.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Priority will be given to an exhibition proposal that best addresses the following criteria:

- Complements the diverse exhibition program
- Comprises of wholly original, and recently created work by the artist/s applying
- Is of particular relevance (cultural, environmental, etc.) to residents of Whitehorse
- Is of high artistic merit, technically competent and is conceptually sound
- Must be ready to exhibit April and May 2026
- The art submitted for exhibition must be the original creation of the artist/s applying
- Whitehorse City Council employees and their family members are ineligible to apply for this program

#### **HOW TO SUBMIT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

#### One Page Proposal

Please provide us with a **ONE PAGE** written exhibition proposal. It must include a summary of your exhibition concept and outline the themes and ideas are you seeking to explore and how you aim to do so through the physical exhibition. Proposals should also consider;

- How you intend display your artwork (i.e. framed and hanging on the wall, positioned on plinths etc)
- A description of the artwork, including media and content
- How many items you wish to include in the exhibition
- Ideas for an associated program (ie workshop, demonstration or artist talk)
- How is the artist / group connected to Whitehorse (ie. live, work or study in the area)

#### Supporting Material

- Please submit 5-10 high quality jpeg images of your or your groups artwork that provide a good indication of the art that you wish to exhibit
- Current Curriculum Vitae for the exhibiting artist/s

#### **Applicant Contact Details**

Please include your name, address, email and phone contact details, and website / social media address (if applicable).

#### **EMAIL APPICATIONS**

Email applications are preferred, and can be addressed to:

#### **Marguerite Brown (Curator)**

artspace@whitehorse.vic.gov.au



Alternatively, Expressions of Interest can be mailed, with supporting images saved to a USB drive included (we are unable to return mailed applications). Mail to:

Marguerite Brown (Curator) Whitehorse City Council Locked Bag 2 Nunawading DC VIC 3131

#### INFORMATION SESSION FOR APPLICANTS

The Artspace team will be running an information session on the Expressions of Interest process for interested artists:

When: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 11am – 12pm Where: Whitehorse Artspace, Box Hill Town Hall

1022 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

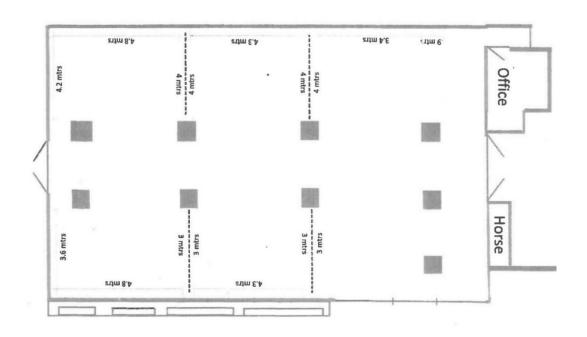
Information Session for Artists: **Thursday 2 October, 11am – 12pm**Closing Date for Expressions of Interest: **Wednesday 22 October 2025, 5pm.**All applications will be assessed by a panel of independent experts and Council officers. *Note: Council reserves the right to cancel or postpone the Expressions of Interest Exhibition Program.* 

#### **Questions? Contact Artspace:**

Phone: (03) 9262 6250

Email: artspace@whitehorse.vic.gov.au

#### ARTSPACE FLOORPLAN







Installation views 'Movement and Time: Landscapes of Mark Dober' Whitehorse Artspace, (Invited Artist / EOI recipient - May 2024).