

APRA AMCOS MUSIC GRANTS

GUIDE FOR APPLICANTS



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FOR PROJECTS BETWEEN 1 JULY 2019 – 30 JUNE 2020

KEY DATES

Applications close: 31 May 2019

Review by Board: July/August 2019

Successful applicants notified: August 2019

Grants must be used by: 30 June 2020

Grants must be acquitted: Two calendar months after completion of the project or before 31 May 2020 (whichever is earlier).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All applicants agree to the Terms and Conditions of APRA AMCOS Music Grants.

ENQUIRIES

Chris O'Neill – Music Grants Manager
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Andrew Tuttle – Music Grants Administrator
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SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Online: <https://apraamcos.smartygrants.com.au/MusicGrants1920>

To request a pdf or hard copy of the application, please email: grants@apra.com.au

IMPORTANT: If you are applying via post, please contact us before submitting your application.

Please note, hand delivered applications will not be accepted.

CATEGORIES

Awards and Recognition

- Special events

Industry Partners

- Key organisations
- Peak music organisations - special projects
- Small festivals

Career Development

- Including APRA AMCOS branded events such as Songwriter Speaks, In Conversation
- Mentoring projects
- Craft development workshops
- Showcases

Core funding (APRA AMCOS Preapproval only)

- Peak music organisations (not special projects)
- Peak songwriting associations

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SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants must demonstrate how the project or organisation will benefit Australian and New Zealand songwriters and composers. Our aim is to provide a funding contribution to projects that will help our members to:

- Develop songwriting or composition skills
- Receive public recognition for their talent (awards or other forms of acclaim in Australia, New Zealand or overseas)
- Collaborate and co-write new songs or compositions
- Showcase their talent to a wider audience
- Further develop their music career by learning about the music industry

Through our APRA AMCOS Music Grants program, we focus on supporting Australian and New Zealand songwriters and compositions, rather than funding recordings, recording artists, touring costs, or creative development projects that primarily benefit individual members.

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO:

- Projects or organisations that broadly benefit Australian and New Zealand songwriters and composers rather than an individual writer or a small number of writers.
- Applicants that can demonstrate a proven ability to plan and execute projects, or establish and maintain organisations that benefit Australian and New Zealand music.
- Organisations or projects which are non-profit in nature (although commercial projects are not excluded from eligibility)
- Applicants that demonstrate sponsorship or other financial contributions from third parties to the project or organisation. APRA Music Grants are not intended to fund your entire project.
- Applications that provide required budget information and support material.

You are not eligible to apply if you have failed to acquit or meet the requirements of a grant received in a previous round.

Applications will be reviewed and determined by the Board Awards and Music Grants Committee and approved by the APRA Board.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 31 MAY, 2019

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I am an APRA AMCOS member - can I apply for an APRA AMCOS Music Grant to pay for the recording or marketing of my new album?

APRA AMCOS Music Grants are not available to fund projects that primarily benefit individual writer members.

I am looking for help to tour my band overseas. Can I apply for an APRA AMCOS Music Grant for financial support?

APRA AMCOS Music Grants are not available to fund individual bands touring domestically or overseas.

Who decides the grant allocations?

Grants are reviewed and determined by the Board Awards and Music Grants Committee and approved at the full meeting of the APRA Board in July/August.

I have already submitted my application – can I add supporting material?

APRA AMCOS will accept supporting material up to the end of May of the year you apply. Please be advised that this material will not be returned. Any additional material you provide must be clearly marked as supporting material to your named application.

Before I submit my application I would like to discuss my application in more detail - who do I contact?

Contact Andrew Tuttle - Music Grants Administrator 1800 642 634 or email grants@apra.com.au with your name and contact number.

I am unsure of how much money to request in my application.

APRA AMCOS Music Grants are not intended to be the leading sponsor of any event, program or initiative. The grants aim to fund activities that support the promotion of the musical works of Australian and New Zealand composers. The grant application form will ask you to provide evidence (if available) of other financial contributions. If you would like to discuss amounts please email grants@apra.com.au.

Must I use the grant by 30 June 2020?

APRA AMCOS Music Grants are awarded as part of an annual financial year cycle. If you do not use your grant by 30 June of the financial year it was awarded, you will need to re-apply for the grant in the next cycle. Grants cannot be carried over to the following financial year.

Can I make a variation to the project once the grant has been approved?

Yes, although all variations to the projects must be discussed with APRA AMCOS and approved in writing prior to the use. Send variation requests to grants@apra.com.au.

Can I challenge the Board decision once it has been made?

All decisions of the APRA Board are final and although you are welcome to discuss the outcome please do not request a review.

What if I have two separate projects from the one organisation?

You may submit more than one application but they must be on separate application forms.

Why do I need to supply the Terms and Conditions of song competitions?

We ask for a copy to ensure that the conditions are in line with APRA AMCOS membership conditions.

What if I miss the application deadline?

The system is unable to accept nominations received after the closing date of 31 May 2019.

Can I change the conditions of the grant once the Board has made a decision?

In certain cases variations to your project may be accepted. All variations must be sent in writing via grants@apra.com.au. This must include all aspects that are to be varied (including changes to your budget) You will be advised if your variation is successful.