**Music Makers Mentorship Program 2021**Program Outline - Mentors

**About the Program**

In partnership with Creative Victoria, Arts Access Victoria is excited to announce Music Makers - a mentorship program for Deaf and disabled music workers. The program will pair recipients with industry peers, to facilitate career development, skills and longevity. In recognition that many people may have faced additional barriers to their work during Covid-19, mentorship around career recovery will also be considered.

The program is open to individuals who are creative (e.g. songwriter), technical (e.g. engineer) or business (e.g. manager) workers within the Australian music industry. As such, we are seeking **expressions of interest** from individuals within the music industry, **interested in becoming a peer mentor**. This is a **paid mentorship opportunity**, with funding for up to 12, 3-hour sessions available.

We strongly encourage people who are First Nations, culturally or linguistically diverse, who live regionally or are themselves Deaf or Disabled, to apply.

**Program Structure**

Step 1. Working with the program coordinator, the mentee (individual receiving mentorship) will choose a career goal to focus on during the program.

Step 2. A suitable mentor is approached from the applications received.

Step 3. The partnership is formalised, and mentor sessions begin.

Step 4. The mentor program is finalised, with reflection on how the mentee has been able to address their goal.

**Who can apply to be a mentor?**

To be eligible to apply you must be;

* A musician or music industry worker with demonstrated experience and excellence in the industry;
* Interest in supporting peers achieve their goals; and
* Over 18 years old.

Previous experience in leadership, education or mentorship is desired, but not essential.

**Important Dates**

Dec 18th – Expressions of interest open   
Jan 18th – Expressions of interest close   
Jan 22nd – Participants notified and program commences  
April 21st – Program showcase  
May 2021 – Program closes

**Apply Now**

Please read the [FAQs](https://www.artsaccess.com.au/music-makers-mentorship-program-2021/) before applying.

To apply, complete the [Music Makers Expression of Interest](https://www.artsaccess.com.au/music-makers-mentorship-program-2021/) form and email it to Siobhan at [smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au](mailto:smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au) by **5pm, January 18th 2021**. If requested, the form can be posted or emailed to you. We will also accept applications in other formats, such as video, if this is more accessible to you.

**Contact Information**

For more information, please contact the Creative Producer, Siobhan McGinnity, at Arts Access Victoria on [smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au](mailto:smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au) or 03 9699 8299 (voice only).