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

**About the Program**

In partnership with Creative Victoria, Arts Access Victoria is excited to announce its first mentorship program for Deaf and Disabled music workers. The program aims to use mentorship, pairing participants with industry peers, to facilitate career development, skills and longevity. In recognition that many individuals 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. Participants must have a demonstrated history of work in the music industry, and a desired to build upon their work.

We strongly encourage people who are First Nations, culturally or linguistically diverse or who live regionally 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.

The program will end in a showcase held on the 21st of April in Melbourne. Participants may be invited to take part, but this is optional. No pressure is placed on mentees to deliver outcomes beyond their personal music goal.

**Who can apply?**

To be eligible for this program you must be;

* A musician or music industry worker with a history in the industry;
* In want of mentorship to support your music career goals;
* Over 18 years old; and
* Identify as Deaf or disabled.

**Important Dates**

Dec 18th – Expressions of interest open   
Jan 18th – Expressions of interest close   
Jan 22nd – 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 application form](https://www.artsaccess.com.au/music-makers-mentorship-program-2021/) and email it to Siobhan at [smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au](mailto:smcginnity@artsaccess.com.au) by **5pm on Monday 18 January 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).