NXT Gen ARTS is a grant category within the Northern Territory Arts Grants Program supporting structured career developments for early career artists aged 18-25 years through professional arts practice placements with arts organisations. The aim of the category is to increase employment pathways and opportunities for youth in the Northern Territory’s arts and culture sector. Up to $13,000 per application is available to support a three-month placement.

NXT Gen ARTS opened on the 16 October 2023 to support placements between February and June 2024.

### $89,306 in grants awarded

Seven eligible applications were awarded $89,306 in funding following recommendations made by the assessment panel.

### Assessment Panel

The assessment panel comprised three Northern Territory Government delegates with expertise in education, youth and the arts.

Panels consider the merit of all applications against the published grant category objectives and assessment criteria. Panels also consider regional spread and diversity of applicants.

### Statistics

* 7 funded projects (100% success rate)
* $76,306 (85%) of funding awarded to six applicants from the Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield region
* $13,000 (15%) of funding awarded to an applicant from the Big Rivers region
* $38,883 (44%) of funding awarded to support three placements with circus and physical theatre outcomes
* $25,919 (29%) of funding awarded to support two placements with visual arts, craft and design outcomes
* $12,600 (14%) of funding awarded to support a placement with dance outcomes
* $11,940 (13%) of funding awarded to support a placement with cross art form (multi arts) outcomes
* $25,964 (29%) of funding awarded to support 2 applicants with disability.

NXT Gen ARTS career placements commencing from 30 January 2024

| **Recipient** | **Project** | **Region\*** | **Funding Offered** |
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| Daisy Kennington | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Corrugated Iron Youth Arts  Primary art form: Circus and Physical Theatre | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $12,964 |
| Ruby Surtees | NXT Gen ARTS placement with SLIDE Youth Dance Theatre Company  Primary art form: Dance | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $12,600 |
| Darwin Community Arts Incorporated on behalf of Johnathan Tan | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Darwin Community Arts Inc. - Cementworx Community Theatre  Primary art form: Circus and Physical Theatre | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $13,000 |
| Alanah Hardy | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Darwin Festival  Primary art form: Cross Art Form (Multi Arts) | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $11,940 |
| Rhenz Flores | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Katherine Regional Arts  Primary art form: Visual Arts, Craft and Design | Big Rivers | $13,000 |
| Courtney Green | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Corrugated Iron Youth Arts  Primary art form: Circus and Physical Theatre | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $12,883 |
| Laura Buckley | NXT Gen ARTS placement with Albertini Designs  Primary art form: Visual Arts, Craft and Design | Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield | $12,919 |

***\*Regions align with the Territory Families, Housing and Communities service delivery regions and regional boundaries***