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Media Release | Empowering arts leaders: Governance Institute of Australia launches 2024 program to drive excellence in arts governance.

The Governance Institute of Australia is proud to announce its Arts Support Program for 2024, which aims to empower leaders in the arts community through training and professional development in essential governance and risk management skills.

The program was initiated in 2020 in response to the unprecedented challenges faced by the arts sector during the global pandemic. Since then, scholarships have been awarded to organisations including The Australian Ballet, Melbourne Fashion Festival, RISING, BlakDance, and the Sunshine Coast Symphony Orchestra.

This year, arts organisations have the opportunity to apply for scholarships for two of the Governance Institute's leading courses: the Effective Director Course and a Certificate in Governance and Risk Management.

Megan Motto FGIA FCG, CEO of Governance Institute says the Arts Support Program reflects Governance Institute's commitment to supporting the not-for-profit arts community by providing practical skills and knowledge to leaders.

'The curriculum is tailored to prepare professionals for the next stage of their careers, to develop an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of managers, directors and the board, and to prepare them for contemporary challenges, including cybersecurity and compliance with ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) standards.'

To be eligible for the Arts Support Program 2024, applicants must have an established board and a strong eagerness to develop a greater focus on governance.

Interested organisations are required to submit an application that includes a statement detailing their organisation's mission, impact on the community, and the reasons why they would benefit from governance training.

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Successful applicants will be announced at the end of February 2024, marking the beginning of a transformative journey toward enhanced governance practices within the Australian arts community.

To apply, please head to our website: bit.ly/47QykEy

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