

Sydney Eisteddfod - Board Director Positions

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Join the Board of Sydney Eisteddfod and Shape the Future of the Performing Arts

Sydney Eisteddfod, one of the nation's most esteemed performing arts organisations, is seeking **two Board-appointed Directors** to help drive the organisation's governance, strategic vision, and long-term sustainability. As part of our governance renewal process, we are particularly seeking one director who will **chair the Development Committee**.

This is a unique opportunity to contribute to a cultural institution that has been fostering artistic excellence in Australia for over 90 years. The role is voluntary.

About Sydney Eisteddfod

Sydney Eisteddfod is a **not-for-profit cultural organisation** dedicated to supporting young Australian artists through its extensive competition framework, covering **music**, **dance**, **drama**, **and speech performance**. With over **300 annual events**, it provides vital performance opportunities to thousands of aspiring performers while enriching the artistic landscape of Australia.

Guided by our **Strategic Plan 2025**, the organisation is undergoing a governance and operational renewal to ensure its continued impact and sustainability.

About the Development Committee

One of the incoming directors will be appointed to **chair the Development Committee**, a crucial body tasked with:

- Strengthening Sydney Eisteddfod's **philanthropic and sponsorship strategy**.
- Engaging with stakeholders to secure funding and strategic partnerships.
- Identifying and addressing participant and community needs to enhance competition offerings.
- Overseeing reporting from Advisory Sub-Committees representing major performance categories (Instrumental, Vocal, Choral, Dance, and Speech & Drama).
- Supporting financial sustainability and long-term growth initiatives.

The Development Committee and its Chair will be supported with a dedicated, professional secretariat service.

Role and Responsibilities of a Sydney Eisteddfod Director

As a **Board-appointed Director**, you will:

• Contribute to the governance and strategic direction of Sydney Eisteddfod in alignment with best-practice not-for-profit governance standards.

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- Support the execution of the **Strategic Plan 2025**.
- Oversee financial sustainability and compliance, ensuring fiduciary duties are met.
- Advocate for Sydney Eisteddfod within industry and community networks.
- Ensure the organisation's governance framework reflects its prestigious standing in the Australian arts sector.
- Work collaboratively with fellow Board members, the General Manager, and committees to ensure the success of Sydney Eisteddfod's mission.

Who We Are Looking For

We seek individuals with strong leadership, governance, and strategic capabilities. The ideal candidates will possess:

- Board or senior leadership experience, ideally within the arts, education, philanthropy, or not-for-profit sectors.
- Expertise in fundraising, sponsorship development, or stakeholder engagement, particularly for the Development Committee Chair role.
- Strong knowledge of corporate governance principles and regulatory compliance for charities in Australia.
- A **passion for the performing arts** and commitment to fostering young artistic talent.
- Skills in **finance**, **risk management**, **or strategic planning** highly desirable.
- Strong interpersonal and networking abilities, with a capacity to represent Sydney Eisteddfod at a high level.

What We Offer

- The opportunity to shape and contribute to one of Australia's leading cultural institutions.
- A key role in ensuring the **long-term sustainability** of Sydney Eisteddfod.
- The chance to engage with a passionate and dedicated Board and management team.
- A **national platform** to make a meaningful impact in arts education and cultural development.

How to Apply

Expressions of Interest, including a brief cover letter outlining your relevant experience and a CV, should be submitted to **Max Holzner**, **Chair**, at **max.holzner@sydneyeisteddfod.com.au**.

For more information about Sydney Eisteddfod, visit our website: https://sydneyeisteddfod.com.au