

Mobile art studio creates space for artists with disability

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Nimbus Studio, a fully accessible mobile art studio is calling for artists with disability to join the weekly art program on an ongoing basis. Established by Arts Access Victoria (AAV), Nimbus Studio is currently situated at Bundoora Homestead, 7 Prospect Hill Dr, Bundoora and runs from 9.30am to 3pm on Thursdays during terms. In partnership with Bundoora Homestead, a leading arts and culture venue run by City of Darebin, Nimbus Studio offers artists a direct link to the contemporary art world.

Nimbus Studio is facilitated by two practicing artists with extensive experience working in the disability arts field. Bundoora Homestead staff also attend the studio periodically, providing expert advice on subjects such as; creating a portfolio, applying to exhibit and how to present and discuss art work.

The studio program gives artists at all levels of experience the opportunity to pursue writing, visual art, photography and a range of other arts practices with the help of experienced and supportive lead artists. AAV's Nimbus Studio is supported by a \$60,000 grant provided by City of Darebin to fund a number of residencies, including the Bundoora Homestead residency.

Lead artist, Rhian Hinkley is driven to facilitate accessible opportunities for artists by bringing Nimbus to various locations throughout Victoria. "Artistic opportunities like this don't come along very often, it's really exciting to work so closely with a contemporary art gallery," said Hinkley.

Established in 1974, Arts Access Victoria is the peak body for disability in the arts. It is the mission of AAV to advocate for all artists who have lived experience of disability to be included in the arts.

Nimbus mobile art studio increases the potential to boost the artist's confidence and sense of value through inclusion and recognition within the community and contemporary art world. This is an opportunity for artists to develop skills in direct and ongoing relationships with contemporary artists, a contemporary art space and to engage seriously in their art practice.

To join Nimbus Studio please contact Rhian Hinkley on 8640 6016 or rthinkley@artsaccess.com.au.

Relevant links:

<https://www.artsaccess.com.au/nimbus>

<http://www.bundoorahomestead.com>

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