



Artist in Residence Storyboard and Scorecard

2026



Artist in Residence 2026 Storyboard

We invested **\$5,000** in providing **studio space** and **professional development** to a local artist



and opportunities for community engagement to **74** residents through **3 participatory art sessions** in our **8-week** Artist in Residence program



contributing to increased access to art and increased opportunities for and visibility of local artists.

Artist in Residence 2026 Scorecard

How much did we do?

8-week residency

3 participatory sessions
(target = 1)

74 community members engaged
(target = 50)

Closing exhibition

How well did we do it?

The program
met the artist's expectations,
especially with respect to the space at LeisureLife.

The artist
would recommend working with the Town
to other artists and would love to work with us again!

Who benefits?

Local artist

Local arts organisation

The Town of Vic Park community

Visitors to the Town

Artist feedback

"Thank you to everyone involved in making the residency possible.

I appreciated how approachable and supportive the Town staff were throughout the process.

Having the time, space and trust to let a project evolve through community engagement is incredibly valuable,
and I hope the Town continues to support artist residencies like this in the future."

The residency has increased the artist's skills

"Having a space backed with the infrastructure from the Town has meant that I have had the time to concentrate on

developing my skills in making socially engaged and participatory art,

particularly in facilitating conversations, building relationships with community members, and allowing a project to evolve through research rather than predetermined outcomes."

The residency has increased the artist's capability to engage with the community.

"Part of the reason is having the time to ask questions and explain that my goal is to learn from others, rather than deciding what the project should be in advance.

It has given me the confidence to engage with a wide range of people as an artist undertaking research, allowing the project to develop through those conversations.

Being able to describe myself as the Town's artist-in-residence also helped people understand the project and why I was approaching them."

Outcomes or opportunities as a result of the residency:

"I love that **this residency has linked me to communities I might never have thought to connect with otherwise.**

It's been incredibly rewarding to meet such a diverse cross-section of people, learn from them, and bring their experiences together through an artwork.

As the project concludes, one of the key outcomes has been the decision to develop part of the work into a VR experience, which has led me to develop my first VR artwork,

giving me the opportunity to expand my technical skills and artistic practice."

The residency has started to increase the artist's visibility in the Town

People at Parkrun ask me about the project, and some of the LeisureLife staff now know me, but **I think the broader visibility will come once the final work is presented.**

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Theory of Change: By delivering an artist in residence program we support the development of local artists by providing access to a studio space, fostering artistic growth, and encouraging meaningful engagement with the community, contributing to improving access to arts, history, culture and education (Strategic Community Priority S4) and Arts and Culture Strategic Objectives:

1. Our community is empowered to be creative.
2. Arts and cultural opportunities are available for all.

Degree of alignment with Theory of Change: 90%*



Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Short term Outcomes	Mid-term Outcomes	Strategic Alignment
Budget	Provide studio space at LeisureLife for artist in residence (25 May – 18 July 2026)	One artist in residence: Cassandra Tytler	Increase opportunity for the community to engage with the arts	Increase capacity for local artists to grow their portfolio	Arts and Culture Strategy Objectives: 1. Our community is empowered to be creative 2. Arts and cultural opportunities are available for all Strategic Community Priority S4: Improving access to arts, history, culture and education
Staff time and expertise		One local arts organisation engaged: SPACED	Enhanced visibility of local artists	Sustainable arts programming within the Town	
Partnership with local arts organisation SPACED	Provide opportunities to foster the artistic development of the artist in residence	74 individuals attended across 3 participatory sessions (target= 50)	Increase professional development opportunities for local artists	Increased community participation in the arts	
Residency from one local artist: Cassandra Tytler		Closing exhibition (26 September)	Improved access to affordable creative spaces within the Town	Our community has an increased sense of community pride and engagement with the arts	
Promotion	Facilitate meaningful connections between the artist and the local community	Target 100 individuals attend closing exhibition			
	Facilitate a closing exhibition at the end of the residency.				

*Based on feedback from artist