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RISE comes back for a \$20 million encore

The Morrison Government will round out its unprecedented injection of art stimulus funding, to allow for one final \$20 million round of Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand (RISE) funding.

Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, said RISE has been such a success that many have called for an encore – and the Morrison Government has responded with an additional \$20 million of funding in the 2022-23 Budget, as part of our plan for a stronger future.

“We established the RISE Fund to get artists back on stage, organisations back on their feet, and audiences back into their favourite local venues to support Australia’s best and emerging talent,” Minister Fletcher said.

“Our \$20 million top up of this unparalleled funding brings the Morrison Government’s Creative Economy Support Package to \$500 million.

“We want the arts to be accessible and available to all Australians - and RISE has been a powerful way of achieving that.

“To date, the RISE Fund has supported 541 projects, created more than 213,000 jobs, and stimulated a two-year pipeline of events that will be seen by around 55 million people across the country.

“This final round of RISE Funding will be allocated in coming months, and a significant number of new projects will be supported around the country.

“Arts funding by the Morrison Government in 2021-22 stands at more than \$1 billion dollars. This is a record level of funding under any federal government, Liberal or Labor,” Minister Fletcher said.

Information about applications opening will become available on the Office of the Arts website: <https://www.arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/rise-fund>

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