

EXPRESSION OF
INTEREST



Visual Arts and Design Education Advisory Group

VISUAL ARTS & DESIGN EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP Call for Expressions of Interest

In the context of converging state and national curriculum reviews, VADEA has established a new advisory group with a membership representative of Visual Arts and Design education interests. The responsibilities of the Visual Arts & Design Education Advisory Group are to:

1. Provide advice to the VADEA Executive on matters relating to Visual Arts curriculum K-12 development, implementation and reform through broad and meaningful consultation with cross-sectoral stakeholder groups and subject experts
2. Establish and develop effective collaboration between leaders and/or members of stakeholder groups and VADEA focussed on issues related to Visual Arts and Design education K-12
3. Advocate for high quality Visual Arts and Design education in state and national jurisdictions through representing high-level views of their jurisdiction or organisation on matters discussed by the group, and to ensure, as far as practicable, that information relating to the work of VADEA is communicated back to the relevant members of their jurisdiction or organisation

VADEA was established in 2009 to progress the work of Visual Arts and Design educators and their students in NSW. As a member of the Professional Teachers Council of NSW, VADEA is the official representative body of Visual Arts and Design educators in NSW and meets regularly with state and national representatives to provide crucial consultation.

VADEA seeks to formalise existing consultative processes in place, to develop alliances with key individuals and stakeholders to strengthen policy and practice and contributions to state and national curriculum reform, initiatives and debates. This group provides the VADEA Executive with cross-sectoral input and expertise on matters relating to Visual Arts curriculum through broad and meaningful consultation. In particular, the group will provide advice relating to the NSW Curriculum Reform and the Australian Curriculum Review, which are currently being undertaken. Members are expected to represent high-level views of their jurisdiction or organisation on matters discussed by the group, and to ensure, as far as practicable, that information relating to the work of the reference groups is communicated back to the relevant members of their jurisdiction or organisation.

The Visual Arts & Design Education Advisory Group will meet primarily online and sub-committees may be formed, focusing on particular initiatives or issues in Visual Arts education. The group will be chaired by VADEA Co-Presidents and will also include Executive and Project Officer representatives. At times, members of the group may be co-opted to lead sub-committees.

Membership is granted through an Expression of Interest nomination process by individuals, sectors and groups, based on expertise, experience and interest in their particular field.

Terms

Application will be via an Expression of Interest google form and candidates will be required to provide information relating to your qualifications, teaching experience, workplace sector and information pertaining to their knowledge and experience in relation to curriculum in Visual Arts and Design. Candidates will be required to identify any conflicts of interests they may identify through their professional or personal capacity. Candidates must be VADEA members for the 12 months prior to applying.

Members of the group will be granted a position in the group for a year and will need to re-nominate in the following year. It is anticipated the Advisory Group will be in place until the conclusion of the NSW Curriculum Reform agenda in 2024, however it may continue beyond this date.

Group Structure

Chair: VADEA Co-President, Advocacy, Special Projects and Membership

Secretary: Member of the VADEA Executive

The group will consist of a range of sector representatives including at least but not limited to:

- 2 NSW Department of Education representatives (1 rural and remote, 1 metropolitan)
- 1 AIS teacher representative
- 1 Catholic Schools representative
- 1 K-6 Teacher representative from any system
- 1 Indigenous art educator with experience teaching Visual Arts in schools K-6 and/or 7-12
- 2 tertiary sector nominees with involvement in Visual Arts teacher education and research
- Industry representatives - MCA, AGNSW, UNSW Art & Design

From time to time members of the following organisations may be invited to attend meetings of the Visual Arts & Design Education Advisory Group:

- NSW Teachers' Federation
- Independent Education Union
- Principal K-6
- Principal 7-12
- NSW Parents' Council
- Council of Catholic School Parents
- NESA representatives
- ACARA representatives

Expression of Interest via this [Google Form https://forms.gle/GrfQphWV6U5sybZp7](https://forms.gle/GrfQphWV6U5sybZp7) closes 29th January 2021.