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## Arts ACT – Chief Minister's Talkback briefs

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# Chief Ministers Talkback Brief

## CSD 8: Key Facts - artsACT

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29 November 2013

<b>Minister responsible:</b>	<b>Directorate:</b>	<b>Contact Officer:</b>
Minister Burch	Community Services	Bronwen Overton-Clarke 6207 1514

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### CSD 8: Key Facts - artsACT

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#### Fringe Festival

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15 November 2013

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## Chief Ministers Talkback Brief

### CSD 19: Selection of Creative Director – Fringe Festival

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6 September 2013

Minister responsible:	Directorate:	Contact Officer:
Minister Burch	Community Services	Bronwen Overton-Clarke 6207 1514

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#### KEY POINTS

- In the 2013-14 Budget, \$20,000 in funding was announced to support a fringe festival alongside the 2014 National Multicultural Festival. This was an election commitment announced by the ACT Labor Government in the October 2012 Election.
  - In June 2013, the Minister for the arts announced that Mr Jorian Gardner would be the producer for the 2014 fringe festival. In making the decision, the Minister took into account Mr Gardner's artistic direction as producer of the fringe in previous years and his ongoing interest in staging the event again.
  - The fringe event will be presented in Civic Square during the 2014 National Multicultural Festival, and will feature young and emerging artists with programming that complements and extends the existing programming of the Multicultural Festival. The National Multicultural Festival will provide infrastructure support to the fringe festival which may include staging, insurances, security, promotion and waste management.
  - Given that the funding is less than the procurement threshold of \$25,000, the Government is able to seek the interest of one provider in undertaking the activity. There are a number of examples where the Government has identified a single provider for arts activities below this threshold and funded through a deed of grant.
  - The Government is grateful for the contribution from Mr PJ Williams and Mr Nick Byrne for the 2013 event, MultiFRINGE 9.2.13.
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#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- For the 2013 fringe event, \$20,000 was identified from unallocated funds from the ACT Arts Fund to support a fringe festival in the CBD as part of the 2013 National Multicultural Festival. To follow standard peer process for the ACT Arts Fund, artsACT sought public expressions of interest for a creative producer for the fringe. A peer panel recommended that Mr PJ Williams and Mr Nick Byrne, who submitted a joint application, be appointed as the creative producers for the 2013 fringe festival.
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- o Mr Williams and Mr Byrne presented a sound event considering the short time frame and modest budget. The National Multicultural Festival provided significant support including set up, equipment, promotion, insurance, security and cleaning at a cost of some \$25,000.
  - o For the 2014 festival, the Minister for the Arts identified Mr Gardner as the creative producer from funds announced as part of the 2013-14 ACT Budget. Mr Gardner has presented previous fringe festivals including as part of the Multicultural Festival. Mr Gardner has been appointed for one year only under a deed of grant which contains a number of outcomes to be achieved by the fringe.
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# Chief Ministers Talkback Brief

## CSD 20: Selection of Creative Director – Fringe Festival

23 & 23 August 2013

Minister responsible:	Directorate:	Contact Officer:
Minister Barr	Community Services	Bronwen Overton-Clarke 6207 1514

### KEY POINTS

- In the 2013-14 Budget, \$20,000 in funding was announced to support a fringe festival alongside the 2014 National Multicultural Festival. This was an election commitment announced by the ACT Labor Government in the October 2012 Election.
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## CSD 21: Selection of Creative Director – Fringe Festival

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9 August 2013

<b>Minister responsible:</b>	<b>Directorate:</b>	<b>Contact Officer:</b>
Minister Barr	Community Services	Bronwen Overton-Clarke 6207 1514

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**Chief Ministers Talkback Brief**  
**CSD 22: Selection of Creative Director – Fringe Festival**

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26 July 2013

<b>Minister responsible:</b>	<b>Directorate:</b>	<b>Contact Officer:</b>
Minister Barr	Community Services	Bronwen Overton-Clarke 6207 6826

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**KEY POINTS**

- In the 2103-14 Budget, \$20,000 in funding was announced to support a fringe festival alongside the 2014 National Multicultural Festival. This was an election commitment announced by the ACT Labor Government in the October 2012 Election.
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