



A FAMILY GATHERING

PLATFORM PRESENTS

**ASIAN HERITAGE
WEEK 2026**

GROUP ART EXHIBITION



APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW
TILL 28TH APRIL

20 MAY - 31ST MAY
DARK HORSE EXPERIMENT

You're invited to our 'Family Gathering'

Family Gathering is a group art exhibition presented by Platform which celebrates Asian Heritage Week by bringing together artists of Asian diaspora at Dark Horse Experiment, West Melbourne.

Asian Heritage Week (AHW), led by [Asian Hustle Network](#), returns from May 25 – May 31. While Asian Heritage Week is not yet formally recognised nationwide, it remains an important moment for us to come together. It's a chance to honour histories, amplify voices and recognise the depth of creative practices across our communities.

This exhibition centres on gathering. Not as a theme for the artworks themselves, but as a moment to bring artists into the same room, to sit alongside one another and to be seen together. The works presented are open in medium and subject, reflecting the diversity of perspectives across Asian Australian artists.

This exhibition will sit within a broader program across the week. We're working with a number of collectives to host additional events within the gallery, including workshops and other community-led sessions.

The show will run across 10 public opening days, with a ticketed opening night on Saturday 23 May from 4–10pm. The opening will extend from the gallery into the courtyard, with art, performances, music and more.

Artists will exhibit within a salon-style hang, allowing for a dense and layered presentation of works. A limited number of plinths will also be available for ceramic and sculptural pieces.

EVENT INFO



Exhibition Dates

20th of May till 31st of May

Location

Dark Horse Experiment
400 Spencer St, West Melbourne 3003

Time

Gallery Hours:
Wednesday - Sunday | 12-5pm

Opening Night:
Saturday 23rd May | 4 - 10pm

ELIGIBILITY



This exhibition is open to Asian artists working across all mediums and disciplines.

We welcome submissions from:

- Emerging and established artists
- Artists working across painting, drawing, textile, photography, ceramic, sculpture, installation, mixed media, new media and more
- Artists exploring any subject matter. Works do not need to respond to the title 'Family Gathering'

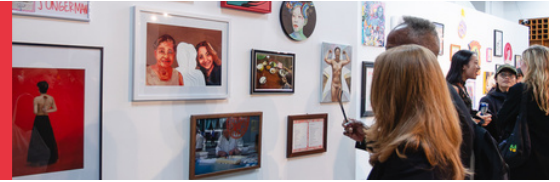
Please note:

- All artworks must be ready to install
- Works must be framed or presented on a stretched canvas
- Loose paper or pinned works will not be accepted
- Sculptural and ceramic works are encouraged (limited plinths available)

Artists must be available to:

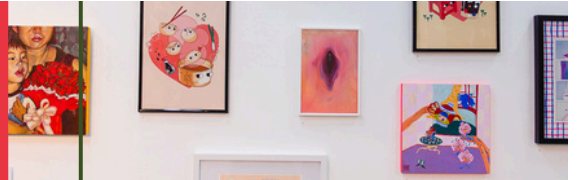
- Deliver works on 16 or 17 May to Dark Horse Experiment
- Meet all installation requirements and timelines

KEY DATES



Tuesday 31st March 2026	Applications Open
Tuesday 28th April 2026	Applications Close
Sat 16th - Mon 18th May 2026	Artwork Delivery @ Dark Horse Experiment Saturday 9:30am - 2:30pm Sunday 9:30am - 2:30pm Monday 10:00am - 12:00pm
Monday 18th May 2026	Exhibition Installation Day
Wed 20th - Sun 31st May 2026	Exhibition Dates
Sun 31st May - Mon 1st June 2026	Artwork Pick Up @ Dark Horse Experiment Sunday 2:30pm - 6:00pm Monday 10:30am - 5:00pm

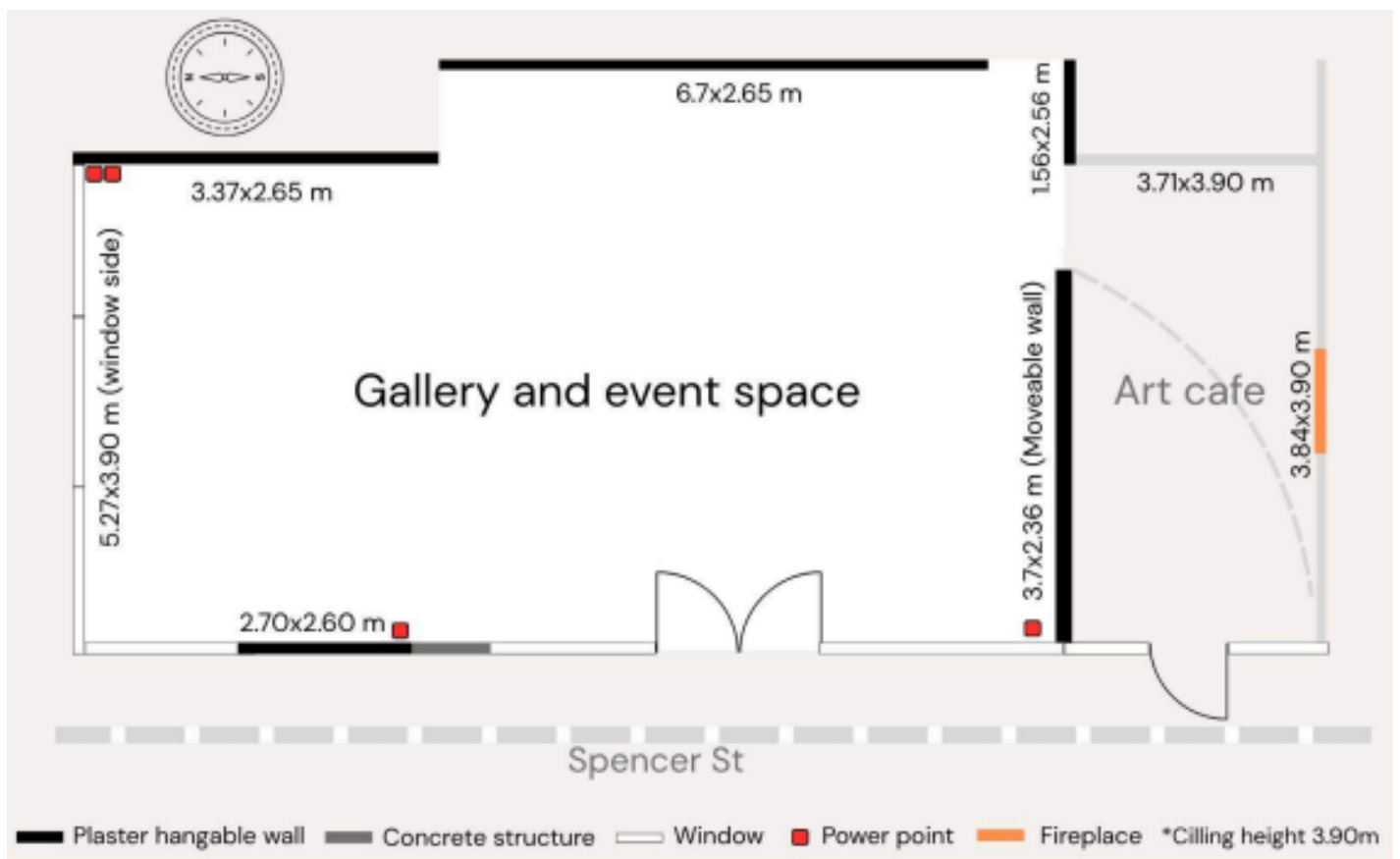
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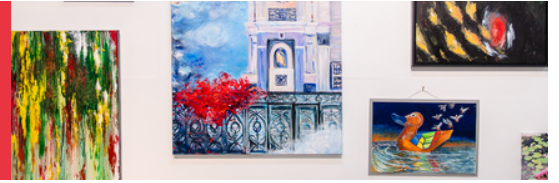
Each artist has the opportunity to

- exhibit a maximum of 3 works (minimum = 1)

We have a limited number of TV/Screens, plinths, and other display equipment available, allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If your work requires these or other special installation needs, please include full details in your application so we can confirm availability and feasibility in advance.



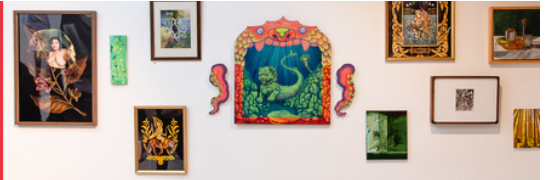
APPLICATION PROCESS



All proposals must be made via our google form. Please ensure you have prepared the following:

1	A Photo Of You We collect this during our application process so that if you are successful, we can immediately start creating your artist profiles for promotion on our socials
2	3 Photos of Past Works with details including title, year of creation and medium
3	A Project Proposal Tell us about the work(s) you are wanting to exhibit
4	Photos of Exhibiting Works or Supporting Documents if not applicable Up to 10 support images - Must be combined as a single PDF – can include drawing plan of proposal to be completed or draft of your proposal in the works.
5	Artist Bio 50 - 150 words about you written in <u>third person</u> .

EXPECTATIONS



Artwork Completion

The project that you are proposing does not have to be complete at the time of submitting your proposal but there is an expectation that it will be **complete 2 weeks before the exhibition.**

Deadlines

Once you have submitted your proposal, you will be linked a new google form to collect information on your exhibiting works.

Deadlines include:

1. About You + Artist Statement Section

- By Tuesday 5th of May

. Artwork Details + Sale Information + Photos & Drop Off Time

- By Tuesday, 12th of May

Art Hanging

All hanging works must be install-ready. D-rings or wire are required unless the work is a framed canvas, which can be hung directly from its frame.

If submitting a framed work, please ensure the frame has a secure hanging point and is not fitted with a stand-only backing.

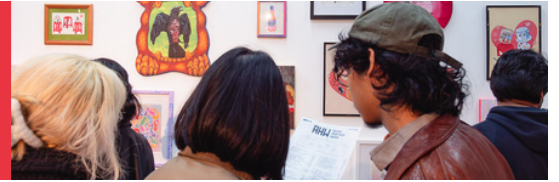
Art Drop Off

Artists are expected to drop off their work between the 16th-18th of May for our team to install.

Art Pick Up

Artists are expected to collect their work from the gallery between the 31st of May to 1st of June.

EXHIBITION FEE



A \$45 exhibition fee (incl. GST) applies per selected artwork.

This fee contributes towards the cost of running the exhibition, including venue hire, installation, staffing and event production. Only selected artists will be required to pay the exhibition fee.

Platform retains a 20% commission on all sold works.

EXHIBITION INCLUSION



Selected artists will receive:

- Inclusion in a two-week group exhibition at Dark Horse Experiment
- Placement within a curated salon-style hang
- Opportunity to exhibit alongside a network of Asian artists across Naarm/Melbourne
- Promotion across Platform's social media channels
- Documentation of the exhibition
- Opportunity to sell work during the exhibition period
- Exhibition install and de-install by our team
- E-newsletter promotion
- Management of all sales during the event
- Opening night event with performances, catered food & more

HOW TO APPLY

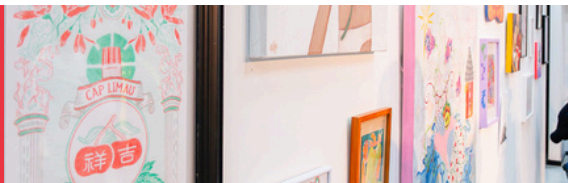


Applications must be submitted via our google form following this link:

<https://forms.gle/nozVUxYuTUeG7nCD7>

For any questions about the application process, artwork suitability, installation requirements, or accessibility, please contact us at hello@platformpresents.com.au

INSURANCE LIABILITY DISCLAIMER



While all care is taken during the storage and install of works, Platform will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to artworks (during transportation, display or storage), or personal injury to Gallery exhibitors.