HOWLER x PLATFORM PRESENTS

SUMMER DAZE

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3 MONTHS ART RESIDENCY · HOWLER, BRUNSWICK

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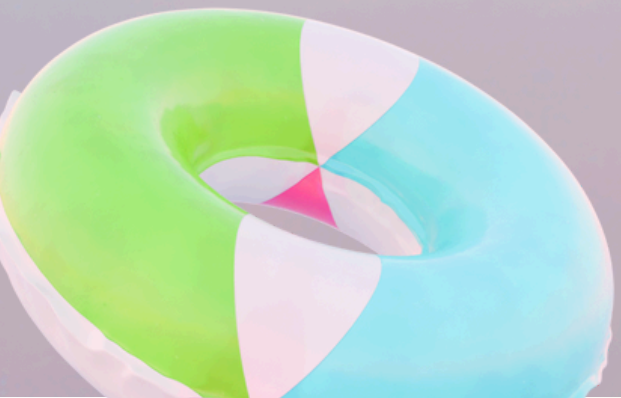

Who are we?

Platform Presents is a Naarm-based arts collective bringing people together through bold, thoughtful and unexpected art experiences. From pop-up exhibitions to immersive parties, we blur the lines between disciplines and spaces to spark connection and curiosity.

Over the last 5 years, we've curated over 10 group exhibitions and collaborated with 150+ artists to date. We create space for both emerging and established artists to share their work in ways that feel accessible and meaningful. Everything we do is rooted in community, driven by curiosity, and built on connection. We're committed to inclusion, innovation and celebrating diverse voices.

Whether we're transforming heritage buildings into multi-room exhibitions or turning dancefloors into interactive art playgrounds, we're always asking: how can art feel more alive, more reachable, and more embedded in everyday life?

Now, we're bringing that same energy to Howler, with a rotating quarterly gallery that gives artists more space to experiment, exhibit and be seen.

Our Vision

“Our vision is to make art more visible and intertwined with how we move through the world. To turn public, social spaces into sites of reflection, expression and connection. When art becomes part of the backdrop of our lives, its value becomes harder to ignore.”

We believe art should be embedded in our everyday life—not something that only lives in white-wall institutions. It should be woven into the spaces where we gather; in the places we dance, eat, connect and unwind.

We want people to stumble across creativity in places they least expect it and to recognise its presence as something essential—not extra.

By bringing exhibitions into social, public and unexpected spaces like Howler, we’re inviting people to experience art without the pressure of formality or pretense. With our new rotating gallery at Howler, we’re manifesting our vision to embed art in the spaces people already gather.

This program is about shifting perspectives. It's about celebrating artists, reimagining where art can exist and nurturing a culture where creativity is part of everyday life.

The Opportunity

We're inviting artists to showcase their work as part of a rotating quarterly exhibition at Howler. Located in the creative heart of Brunswick, Howler has long been known for its music programming. Now, we're expanding its cultural footprint by making space for visual art. With your work on the walls, Howler becomes more than a music venue. It becomes a place where art lives in moments of gathering.

INCLUSIONS

$25 PER PIECE | 3 PIECE MAX

- **Three-month** exhibition of **three works** across Howler's venue
- **Feature in a Zine:** Your artwork will be featured in a zine which will be placed within the venue throughout the season
- **Artwork plaque** printed and hung on the wall
- Artworks listed on our **online store** for duration of exhibition
- **Social media promotion** across Platform Presents and Howler's channels
- Professional **photography + videography** of your work at the opening night
- Inclusion in **e-newsletters** and marketing content
- **Opening night** event to celebrate the exhibition launch
- **Closing night** event to gather everyone one last time before deinstall
- Full support with **installation, deinstallation and artwork sales**

Fees:
There is a **$25 fee** per exhibiting piece which goes directly towards covering printing costs and the production of the opening night — including photography, videography and zine print.

Commission:
We take **20% commission** for all art sales made during this period.

What we're looking for

We're on the lookout for bold, visual artworks that bring colour, energy and curiosity into shared spaces.

Yukka by Emma x Zhang

We welcome photography, illustration, painting, digital art and mixed media. This program is specifically for 2D works only, so we're unable to accept sculptures, video works or soundscapes.

As Howler is a family-friendly venue, we ask that all submitted work is suitable for a general public audience. This means artwork should avoid explicit or overly graphic content, including anything that might be considered profane or unsettling for a broad audience.

Artists of all experience levels are welcome to apply. We especially encourage submissions from First Nations artists, Bla(c)k artists, artists of colour, disabled and neurodiverse artists, and those who are LGBTQIA+, trans or gender diverse.

Away by Annie Hanh

The Space

All artworks will be displayed in Howler's Garden Bar — a light-filled, indoor space that's open to the public from Tuesday through Sunday. This space is a central part of Howler's venue, with steady foot traffic and a relaxed, social atmosphere.

Artworks will be presented in a salon-style hang. Placement and layout will be thoughtfully curated by our team, with consideration for flow, balance and visibility within the space.

OPENING HOURS

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 5:00pm – 10:00pm
- Wednesday: 5:00pm – 11:00pm
- Thursday: 5:00pm – 11:00pm
- Friday: 3:30pm–12:00am
- Saturday: 12:00pm–1:00am
- Sunday: 2:00pm–10:00pm

Key Dates

01

APPLICATION CLOSE

Monday 9th of February

All artworks must be complete already at the time of application.

02

ART DROP OFF

Saturday 14th February
Monday 16th February
Tuesday 17th February

03

OPENING NIGHT

To Be Confirmed with Howler - Likely Thursday 19th February

04

EXHIBITION PERIOD

19th February - 19th May

05

ART PICK UP

19th May - 24th May 2026

How to Apply

Follow this link to our google form:
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