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Best and Brightest Concepts Invited for Vivid Sydney 2019

Expressions of Interest <u>now open</u>

Vivid Sydney is inviting Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from individuals and organisations across the global creative community to participate in the world's largest festival of light, music and ideas in 2019.

Following the success of this year's festival, NSW Minister for Tourism and Major Events Adam Marshall announced EOIs have opened for Vivid Sydney 2019 across the pillars of Vivid Light and Vivid Music, and that Vivid Ideas will open soon.

"Vivid Sydney brings together emerging and pioneering global creative innovators and this year attracted 2.25 million attendees from Australia and across the globe, generating more than \$172 million for the NSW visitor economy," Mr Marshall said.

"The Festival is a grand platform for out-of-the-box thinkers, artists, musicians, creative professionals, educators and businesses to showcase their talents to local and international audiences and I encourage everyone to submit their Expression of Interest and be part of this exceptional event."

The Vivid Sydney EOI invites submissions across the Festival's three program pillars – Light, Music and Ideas.

Vivid Light transforms the city into a kaleidoscope of colour with awe-inspiring light sculptures and large-scale architectural projections onto iconic landmarks. Artists, designers, creative industry practitioners, equipment suppliers, businesses, and educational institutions are invited to present their ideas, designs, concepts and interest for inclusion in Vivid Light.

Vivid Music features an extensive program of performance, multi-genre musical collaborations, and contemporary and experimental music at venues across Sydney , and includes the Vivid X|CELERATE program; a partnership with the City of Sydney which is devoted to celebrating Sydney's local musical talent by awarding grants and marketing support to venues, artists, and promoters with good ideas. Submissions are being sought from across the industry including music venues, producers, promoters, industry associations and innovators interested in being part of Vivid Music.

Vivid Ideas celebrates and champions creativity and innovation; connecting audiences and creative professionals with world-class creators, makers and thinkers, to share cutting-edge insights, market and industry updates, and building tools and skills for the future. Events which ignite a national conversation, bring professional practitioners to Sydney for training









and development, and which actively build networks throughout the Asia-Pacific region are sought for Vivid Ideas.

Destination NSW Chief Executive Officer and Vivid Sydney Executive Producer Sandra Chipchase said, "Whether you're an industry innovator, aspiring creator or have a unique concept to share, this is a chance to be part of Australia's largest event. If you have what it takes to shape, market and present an installation, gig or event with interesting and innovative content, Vivid Sydney wants to hear from you."

To register your EOI, visit <u>https://www.vividsydney.com/eoi2019</u> and login or sign-up to access the Vivid Light, Music or Ideas EOI toolkits and application forms.

Vivid Sydney is owned, managed and produced by Destination NSW, the NSW Government's tourism and major events agency.

Vivid Sydney 2019 will kick off on Friday, 24 May.

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NOTE TO EDITORS

To celebrate Vivid Sydney and inspire collaborators when preparing their EOIs, Destination NSW has released three new hype reels for Light, Music and Ideas:

- Vivid Light https://vimeo.com/280848567/f81d5e734d
- Vivid Music https://vimeo.com/280848534/0721fd5839
- Vivid Ideas https://vimeo.com/280848651/ba11d2fe48

Footage and additional content assets from Vivid Sydney 2018 can be downloaded from the Vivid Sydney Media Centre: <u>https://www.vividsydney.com/media-centre</u>