

# Commissions

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Funding is available to commission New Zealand artists to create new work for public presentation. You can apply for the artist's costs to create the work.

A strong application would include:

- Details of the selection process and the artistic brief
- A clear description of the proposed work
- Confirmation of when and where it will be presented and by whom
- Artistic support material that illustrates the proposed work
- Confirmation of the artist's availability
- A copy of the contract with the artist
- An explanation of how best practice copyright protection will be provided for the artist

For public art commissions such as public sculptures and murals, a strong application would also include:

- an explanation of how the project is consistent with the local or regional public artwork strategy (as published by the relevant local city or district council)
- a letter from the relevant territorial authority confirming their interest in, and financial commitment to, the project
- a long-term maintenance plan for the artwork

For music commissions, the Composers Association of New Zealand (CANZ) provides a [range of useful advice](#) and a [sample commissioning agreement](#) you can refer to.

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