

# Role Description Program Producer (Children & Families)

Cluster	Department of Premier and Cabinet	
Agency	Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences	
Division/Branch/Unit	Programs & Engagement / Programs	
Location	All MAAS Sites	
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## Agency Overview

The Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences sits at the intersection of the arts, design, science and technology and plays a critical role in engaging communities with contemporary ideas and issues. Established in 1879, the museum includes the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney Observatory and the Museums Discovery Centre. The Museum is custodian to over half a million objects of national and international significance and is considered one of the finest and most diverse collections in Australia.

## **Programs & Engagement Department**

The MAAS Programs & Engagement Department works to deliver exceptional experiences across all customer touch points on all of our sites. An interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approach is taken across all in-venue and online programs, projects and activities. The department's work spans public programming, education, visitor services and venue support, regional, digital, ICT, online and media production services.

The **Programs** team delivers creative, cultural and educational experiences for all age ranges that encourage engagement with the applied arts and sciences and foster the development of future talent. The team also works to integrate and facilitate public and festival programming, exhibitions, online activity, and collections access to a wide range of interested community, industry, and educational players locally, regionally and globally.

The team structure comprises two **Education & Digital Learning** and **Public Programs**. A shared pool of casuals provide flexible support working across the teams delivering both ongoing and event-based activity. The Programs team take a key role in ensuring programming activity is coordinated across all our physical sites, regional engagement and digital platforms. The team also includes engagement with specialised audiences that provide organisation wide

focus for culturally diverse, regional and education audiences. The team also manages a team of volunteers who support the delivery of the program across our sites.

## Primary purpose of the role

The Program Producer (Children and Families) provides creative support and coordination of public programming, co-production, festival and partnerships programming that explores and delivers outcomes for children and families. Working collaboratively with teams from across the Museum, they advocate for, develop and deliver programs for children and families, spanning all venues, delivering across digital and physical means.

#### Key accountabilities

- 1. Support the proposal, development, implementation and review of an annual Business Plan and Budget consistent with the Museum's Strategic Plan. In conjunction with the Head of Programs and Manager Public Programs, take key role in the development and implementation of the MAAS Strategy for Children and Families.
- 2. Coordinate activities across programs within the Group and their integration across the major business initiatives of the organisation; produce and implement an array of exciting, innovative festivals, co-productions, events and programs.
- 3. Undertake the management and planning processes for delivery of programs including monitoring quality control of programs, customer satisfaction and ensuring a lead role for MAAS as compared to trends and developments nationally and internationally in the field of educational, social and cultural experiences for children and families.
- 4. Collect, interpret and report on programs, services and income generating activities, monitor income and expenditure to ensure that budgetary guidelines are being adhered to.
- 5. Seek, prepare and review grant and funding submissions to support program delivery and development and ensure statutory and legislative requirements are adhered to and effective risk management procedures are in place.
- 6. Contribute to exhibition and interpretation planning, including long term site development and collaborate and coordinate with Curatorial, Collections & Exhibitions staff to ensure that effective programs are facilitated and that public access outcomes are achieved ensuring the provision of a high standard of internal and external customer service.
- 7. Ensure the Program Team staff and volunteers are inducted, trained and coached, foster positive working relationships and a team spirit, manage the performance of all staff, and support their ongoing professional development.
- 8. In collaboration with relevant Museum departments, develop and implement marketing, promotional and publicity strategies; manage commercial, business, cultural and educational relationships and partnerships with local, national and international players.

#### **General Requirements**

• Work in an interdisciplinary manner across project teams and Museum initiatives.



• Adhere to all obligations, responsibilities and legislative requirements under current Work Health & Safety (WHS) Acts and Regulations, ensuring all areas under supervision are monitored for WHS risks and hazards and are reviewed regularly.

## Key challenges

- Ensure MAAS is positioned as the leading museum of applied arts and sciences.
- Working collaboratively with Museum staff who are physically distributed across sites.
- Developing and maintaining stakeholders and relationships to align to MAAS strategies and business needs.
- Fostering and encouraging a creative environment conducive to innovative programming practice.

## Key relationships

Who	Why	
Internal		
•	Curatorial, Collection & Collaboratively working with this team to ensure collabor Exhibitions Team planning and execution of programs for children and family	
•	Development & External To capitalise on commercial and funding opportunities Affairs relation to programs for children and families	
•	All Programming Staff	Coordinating activities across the team to ensure planning and execution of programs for children and families
•	Events Team	To ensure coordinated planning and that setups/pack-downs occur efficiently and safely
•	Communications Team	"Joined up" approaches to communicating and marketing the MAAS offers to children and family audiences
•	Volunteers Team	Coordination of recruitment, training and operations
•	Volunteers	Key to delivery of public programming
External		
•	Tourism, marketing and program developmen agencies	t To ensure maximal profile for MAAS programs and services
•	Community Relations	s Key stakeholder and supporter of MAAS programs and services for children and families



## **Role dimensions**

#### Decision making

This role:

- Has a level of autonomy and is accountable for delivery of specific program across MAAS, working to develop new relationships and activities.
- Refers to supervisor for decisions that require change to strategic approach; that are likely to escalate; cause undue risk; create substantial precedent; or are outside of delegation limits.
- Plans and organises the work of the team to achieve agreed business objectives and performance criteria.
- Allocates work to team members and monitors progress.
- Submits reports, analysis, and briefing with the support of supervisors.
- Maintains working relationships with key stakeholders including education, applied arts and science industries to ensure currency and appropriateness of programs delivered.

## **Reporting line**

• Public Programs Manager

#### **Direct reports**

• Casual and Temporary Staff (as required by Program demands)

#### Budget/Expenditure

The role is responsible for revenue generation and operational expenditure for Programs relating to Children and Families. See the MAAS Delegation Schedule for greater detail.

## **Essential Requirements**

- Relevant degree or qualification (or equivalent), or significant program delivery experience in a cultural setting.
- Demonstrated track record in the delivery of public programming, co-production, festival and partnerships programming that meets the needs of families and children.

## **Capability summary**

Below is the full list of capabilities and the level required for this role. The capabilities in bold are the focus capabilities for this role. Refer to the next section for further information about the focus capabilities.



NSW Public Sector Capability Framework				
Capability Group	Capability Name	Level		
	Display Resilience and Courage	Intermediate		
- <b>-</b>	Act with Integrity	Intermediate		
Personal Attributes	Manage Self	Adept		
	Value Diversity	Intermediate		
	Communicate Effectively	Adept		
~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	Commit to Customer Service	Intermediate		
	Work Collaboratively	Adept		
Relationships	Influence and Negotiate	Intermediate		
	Deliver Results	Intermediate		
	Plan and Prioritise	Adept		
	Think and Solve Problems	Intermediate		
Results	Demonstrate Accountability	Intermediate		
*	Finance	Intermediate		
Č*	Technology	Intermediate		
Business	Procurement and Contract Management	Foundational		
Enablers	Project Management	Adept		
	Manage and Develop People	Intermediate		
	Inspire Direction and Purpose	Intermediate		
People	Optimise Business Outcomes	Intermediate		
Management	Manage Reform and Change	Foundational		

## Focus capabilities

The focus capabilities for the role are the capabilities in which occupants must demonstrate immediate competence. The behavioural indicators provide examples of the types of behaviours that would be expected at that level and should be reviewed in conjunction with the role's key accountabilities.



Group and Capability	Level	Behavioural Indicators
<b>Personal Attributes</b> Manage Self	Adept	<ul> <li>Look for and take advantage of opportunities to learn new skills and develop strengths</li> <li>Show commitment to achieving challenging goals</li> <li>Examine and reflect on own performance</li> <li>Seek and respond positively to constructive feedback and guidance</li> <li>Demonstrate a high level of personal motivation</li> </ul>
Relationships Communicate Effectively	Adept	<ul> <li>Tailor communication to the audience</li> <li>Clearly explain complex concepts and arguments to individuals and groups</li> <li>Monitor own and others' non-verbal cues and adapt where necessary</li> <li>Create opportunities for others to be heard</li> <li>Actively listen to others and clarify owr understanding</li> <li>Write fluently in a range of styles and formats</li> </ul>
<b>Relationships</b> Work Collaboratively	Adept	<ul> <li>Encourage a culture of recognising the value of collaboration</li> <li>Build co-operation and overcome barriers to information sharing and communication across teams/units</li> <li>Share lessons learned across teams/units</li> <li>Identify opportunities to work collaboratively with other teams/units to solve issues and develop better processes and approaches to work</li> </ul>
<b>Results</b> Plan and Prioritise	Adept	<ul> <li>Take into account future aims and goals of the team/unit and organisation when prioritising own and others' work</li> <li>Initiate, prioritise, consult on and develop team/unit goals, strategies and plans</li> <li>Anticipate and assess the impact of changes, such as government policy/economic conditions, or team/unit objectives and initiate appropriate responses</li> <li>Ensure current work plans and activities suppor and are consistent with organisational change initiatives</li> <li>Evaluate achievements and adjust future plans accordingly</li> </ul>
Business Enablers	Adept	<ul> <li>Prepare clear project proposals and define scope</li> </ul>



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Project Management		<ul> <li>and goals in measurable terms</li> <li>Establish performance outcomes and measures for key project goals, and define monitoring, reporting and communication requirements</li> <li>Prepare accurate estimates of costs and resources required for more complex projects</li> <li>Communicate the project strategy and its expected benefits to others</li> <li>Monitor the completion of project milestones against goals and initiate amendments where necessary</li> <li>Evaluate progress and identify improvements to inform future projects</li> </ul>	
<b>People Management</b> Manage and Develop People	Intermediate	<ul> <li>Ensure that roles and responsibilities are clearly communicated</li> <li>Collaborate on the establishment of clear performance standards and deadlines in line with established performance development frameworks</li> <li>Develop team capability and recognise and develop potential in people</li> <li>Be constructive and build on strengths when giving feedback</li> <li>Identify and act on opportunities to provide coaching and mentoring</li> <li>Recognise performance issues that need to be addressed and work towards resolution of issues</li> </ul>	

