

APPENDICES MINUTES

Grants Allocation Committee (Creative Communities New Zealand)

Meeting

Tuesday, 6 May 2025

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Printmaking.



Mandala Stone Painting.











Goddess for your Garden.











Looping and Twining.

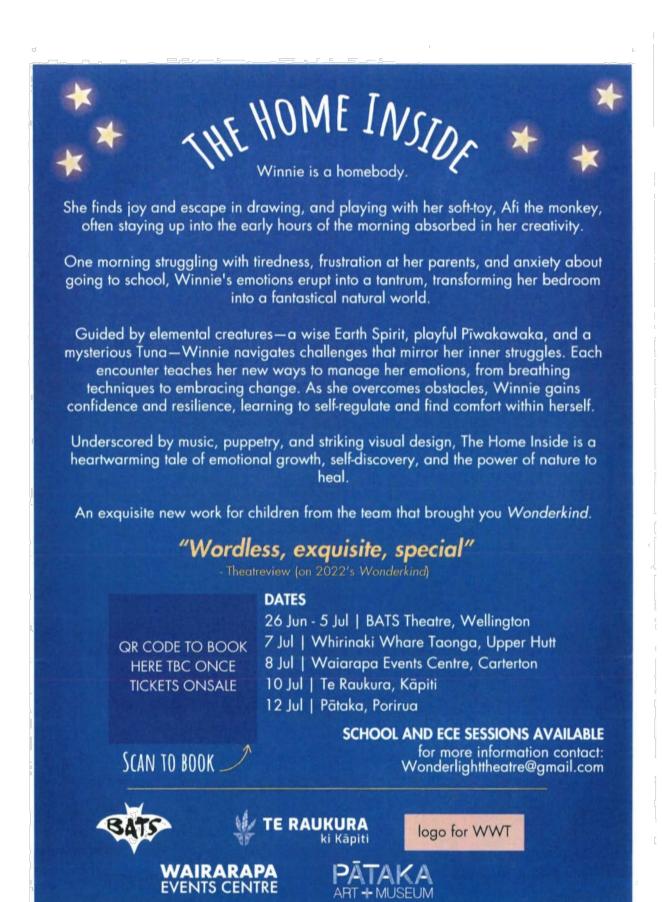












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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am writing to support the application being made by The Shed Project for funding to continue to run creativity classes, including pottery.

We have been fortunate enough to have small groups of learners access the pottery classes on a Monday afternoon for at least 2 years. Without exception the learners who have participated have gained confidence, built relationships and learned to express themselves through creativity. For most of our learners this is a completely new experience and one that would not otherwise be available.

Last year we had one young learner who struggled with literacy and numeracy which created a lot of frustration for him.—He was often difficult to engage with, however the pottery classes gave him a constructive outlet and he was proud of the pottery items he created.

Another young learner discovered she had a talent for pottery and created items which were good enough to be displayed as part of the Arts Trail. She has gone on to pursue further education in the arts field.

A significant portion of our learners are enrolled with us because they experience high levels of anxiety and as a result have become disengaged from mainstream education. The creativity classes run by The Shed Project give them a safe space to explore hands on activities, widen their knowledge and learning and give them a positive experience.

We want our learners to be able to continue to benefit from the classes offered by The Shed Project and wholeheartedly support this application.

Yours sincerely

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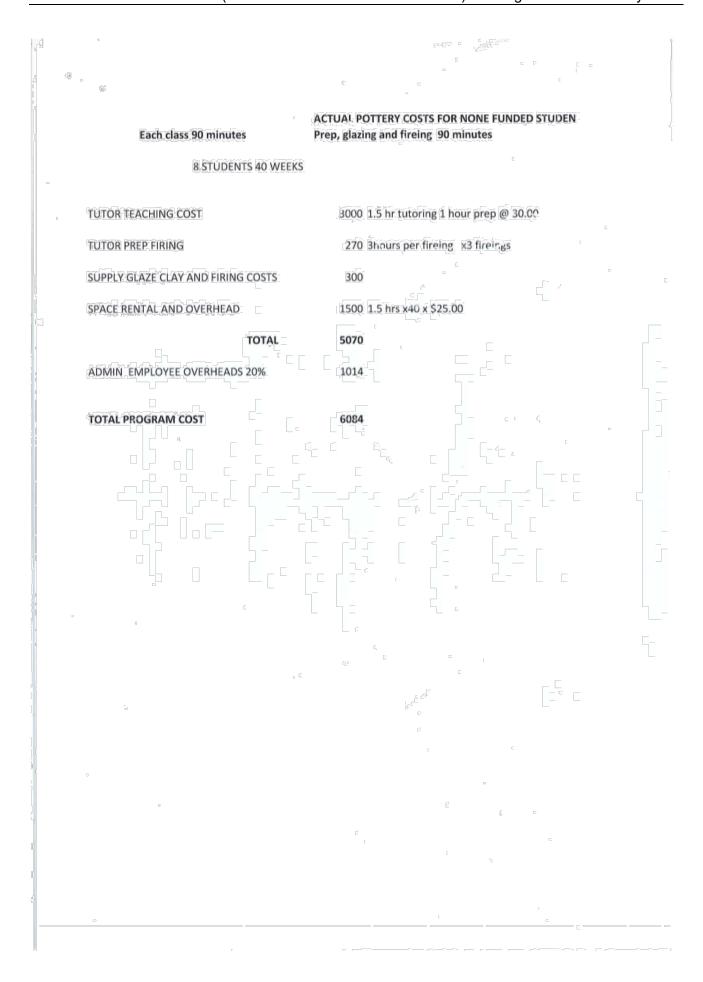
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