

BOARD RECRUITMENT

Australian Theatre for Young People (ATYP), the national youth theatre company, is seeking expressions of interest from community leaders interested in joining the Board of this iconic Australian arts company. Established in 1963, ATYP is one of Australia's oldest and most influential theatre companies.

ATYP specialises in integrating professional theatre practice with supportive youth theatre process. We work with all levels of the arts industry, from the most celebrated national companies to the smallest youth theatres across Australia. Our work supports young people from their first theatre experience to their professional careers.

ATYP stages critically acclaimed productions and tours nationally. We are a leader in connecting young people with industry professionals: providing opportunities through productions, workshops and our writing programs. ATYP engages teachers and students through our education program, providing high-quality resources, in-school workshops and digital access to productions through our innovative ATYP On Demand platform.

ATYP has space on the Board of Directors for leaders with expertise in:

- Arts/Entertainment Law
- Development and Fundraising
- Financial Management, particularly with not-for-profits

This is an opportunity to join the company at a significant period in our 60-year history. In 2022 ATYP moved into purpose-built premises on Pier 2/3 in the Walsh Bay Arts and Cultural Precinct. The new home is a reflection of ATYP's standing as a flagship Australian Theatre Company. It provides a venue suitable for showcasing the very best in theatre involving young people and a destination for young artists across the country and around the world.

However, the move to the Pier in 2022 raised some key challenges for ATYP, as all arts companies struggled with a return to business post-Covid. This was compounded by issues with the new venue, and the loss of federal operational funding. ATYP is currently undertaking strategic planning, to set the vision for the Company for the next 4 years.

ATYP is led by Artistic Director/CEO Fraser Corfield who has been with the company for fourteen years supported by a team of industry professionals. The ATYP Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the Governance of the company with particular focus on financial planning, Government relations, fundraising and strategy.

All members of the ATYP Board are volunteers. General meetings are held 6 times annually, with additional subcommittee meetings and strategic planning sessions as required. There is an expectation that Board members will attend ATYP productions and events across the year.

If interested please forward your CV and brief expression of interest to Executive Director/Company Secretary Amanda Wright (Amanda@atyp.com.au) by Friday 14 July 2023.

Persons from First Nations and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. As a national company, candidates from areas outside of Sydney and interstate are also encouraged to apply.

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