

Stable Arts Spaces Survey

Intro Section

This is a New Zealand wide survey of the current state of accommodation for independent arts organisations and businesses, including sole traders

The survey should take **15 - 20 minutes** to complete.

It will ask you to share some details about your business, practice, collective or organisation's current situation including:

- how you are housed,
- what proportion of your budget housing is taking up,
- if your housing is appropriate, and
- what impact that has on your ability to realise your mission.

The person filling out the survey should have a good overview of your organisation's operations and needs.

You will need some financial details to hand – annual turnover and annual accommodation costs – so grab your latest financial return or annual report before you start. We're asking for this information so we can accurately report how much accommodation is costing the arts.

All the data we collect will be anonymised before analysis and publication.

An analysis of the data will be published in a public report and the aggregated data will be released as an open data set for the arts to use for future advocacy around their accommodation needs.

The survey is delivered by Dr Melissa Laing and funded by Manatū Taonga.

Learn more about why we are running this survey and the Stable Spaces initiative at www.stablespaces.nz

Find out more about how we are protecting the data you share with us at www.stablespaces.nz/privacy

Ready to start?

Enter the post code for where your organisation is located [Open Box]

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Section One: Current Housing

How is your organisation currently housed? [Check Box]

- We lease or have a licence to occupy our premises
- We own our premises (freehold or leasehold)
- We both own and lease premises
- We have a different arrangement

In Section One the survey used conditional logic to present questions based on the box checked

If answered lease:

How many properties does your organisation lease? [Open Box]

Answer the following questions in this section in relation to the property that you feel is the most important to your organisation. If you both own and lease, choose one of each.

What kind of space do you lease or licence? [Check Box]

- Commercial space
- Council or government owned space
- Community owned space
- Part of a private residence
- Other

Who holds the lease or licence? [Check Box]

- We are the primary lease or license holder
- We sublease our space

What is the length of your current lease of licence (from point you signed or renewed it)? [Check Box]

- Month by month
- 1 year
- 2 - 5 years
- 6 - 25 years
- 25 - 99 years

Do you have a right of renewal? [Check Box]

- Yes
- No

How would you describe your lease or licence? [Check Box]

- We occupy our space for free
- We make a peppercorn payment
- Our rent is set below market rate
- Our rent is set at market rate
- Our rent is set above market rate

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Are you interested in securing long term or permanent accommodation? [Check Box]

Yes

No

Haven't considered it

What is the main barrier to securing long term accommodation? [Check Box]

We can't find the right space

We don't have the income or funding

We don't have the time or capacity to take this on

Our organisation is undecided about accommodation

We don't know how to start

We can't secure finance from a lender

If answered own:

How many properties does your organisation own? [Open Box]

Answer the following questions in this section in relation to the property that you feel is the most important to your organisation. If you both own and lease, choose one of each.

When did you acquire the property? [Open Box]

Is the property your organisation owns [Check Box]

Freehold

Leasehold

Under a Licence to Occupy

Was the property (please tick all that apply) [Check Box]

Purchased at market value

Purchased below market value

An asset transfer from another organisation

Asset transfer from a government body or council

A gift from a private donor

Built by your organisation

Purchased primarily as a private residence

Other

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If answered different arrangement:

On a day to day basis are you (Please tick all that apply) [Check Box]

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- A remote by design or distributed workplace
- Currently unhoused
- Hiring temporary space on a project by project basis
- Working out of a private residence
- Undertaking your activities within other organisations
- Working in outdoor spaces
- Other

Are you interested in securing long term or permanent accommodation? [Check Box]

- Yes
- No
- Haven't considered it

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Section Two: Costs

This section covers your total accommodation costs. A rounded number or best estimate is acceptable if you don't have the exact numbers to hand.

How much did you spend on accommodation in the last financial year? [Open Box]
This includes rent, ground rent, rates, and/or body corp and management fees

How much did you spend on accommodation overheads in the last financial year? [Open Box]
This includes improvements, maintenance and utilities

Our lease or license to occupy includes utilities. [Check Box]

Yes

No

Combined, what percentage of your organisation's total income was that? [Open Box]

Do you need a percentage calculator? Try <https://percentagecalculator.net/>

How many times has your organisation changed its housing in the last 5 years? [Open Box]

What were the reasons? (Please tick all that apply) [Check Box]

Lease not renewed

Increased lease costs

Bad landlord

Bought property

Offered a cheaper property

Offered a more appropriate property

Loss of income

The primary lease holder moved

Our core activities changed

Our building was sold or scheduled for redevelopment

Our building was deemed unsafe

Our space didn't meet our accessibility needs

Other

How do the costs of your current accommodation affect your financial stability? [1 - 5 scale from 1 Negatively to 5 Positively]

Section Three: Space suitability

Tell us more about your current accommodation

How well does your current accommodation suit your organisation? [Scale from 1 Terribly to 5 Brilliantly]

We currently have space (select your top five current uses) [Check Box]

- To run classes and workshops
- For artist studios and/or rehearsals
- For public presentation of work
- For administration / office space
- For storage
- To generate revenue through space hire / subletting
- To generate revenue through retail or hospitality
- For community to gather and meet
- Not applicable

We currently want space (select the top five ways you'd like to grow your space options) [Scale from 1 Terribly to 5 Brilliantly]

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Our current accommodation affects our ability to: [Scale from 1 Negatively to 5 Positively]

- Deliver core programming and services
- Undertake long term planning
- Innovate
- Grow our organisation
- Build community connections
- Collaborate with others
- Make and present work
- Support other creatives
- Ensure equitable access to our programmes and activities
- Provide a positive work environment for our staff

Section Four: Demographics

Tell us about your organisation

What art form(s) does your organisation support? (Please tick all that apply) [Check Box]

- Visual Arts
- Literature
- Craft and Object
- Music and Sound
- Acting and Theatre
- Dance
- Pacific Heritage Arts
- Nga Toi Māori
- Other
- Cultural and Social Heritage

What sector(s) does your org work in? (Please tick all that apply) [Check Box]

- Community based arts
- Disability
- Health
- Education
- Professional Arts
- Iwi or hapū
- Amateur Arts
- Youth
- Faith based
- Other

Is your reach

- Local
- Regional
- National
- International

What is your organisation's current legal structure? [Check Box]

- Trust
- Charitable Trust
- Incorporated Society
- Limited Liability Company (Ltd)
- Informal society or collective
- Provident Society
- Individual or sole trader
- Other

What year was your organisation established? [Open Box]

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What is your organisations stated mission? [Open Box]

What is your annual turnover? [Check Box]

- Under \$20,000
- \$20,000 - \$50,000
- \$50,000 - \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,000 - \$1,000,000
- 1,000,000 - 2,000,000
- 2,000,000 - 5,000,000
- Over \$5,000,000

How many full time equivalent (fte) staff work at your organisation? [Check Box]

- 1 or less
- 1 - 2
- 2 - 5
- 5 - 10
- 10 - 25
- 25 - 50
- 50 - 100
- Over 100

What is the approximate number of hours that volunteers contribute to your organisation in an average month [Open Box]

Section Five: Your contact details

You are under no obligation to provide your contact details. We are grateful you've got this far. However, if you want to be kept up to date or stay involved, select yes and enter them below.

I would like to receive a copy of any publications using the research [Check Box]

Yes

No

In the second stage of this research we plan to interview a small number of organisations to create case studies. This would involve Melissa visiting your organisation and conducting a 1 - 2 hour interview. Let me know if you would be open to this.

I am happy to be contacted by the research team for an interview [Check Box]

Yes

No

Whats the name of your organisation [Open Box]

Enter your email address [Open Box]

If you choose to give me your email address we will not share it with anyone outside the research team and we will only use it to communicate with you about the research.