



Travel Fund

This fund contributes towards the travel costs of Western Australian screen creatives and digital games developers / interactive practitioners to attend eligible screen industry markets, events, conferences, festivals and awards.

Applications are accepted year-round except for highly attended screen industry markets / conferences.

Due to the volume of applications received, highly attended markets / conferences are advertised as a competitive funding round as identified on the list of eligible travel destinations. Applications for highly attended markets / conference will only be accepted during the advertised application period.

Eligible Travel Destinations

Screenwest's list of eligible national and international travel destinations is available [here](#).

What Can You Receive Funding For?

- **Screen Industry Markets:** funding for practitioners seeking to secure finance and market partners for their projects.
- **Festivals & Awards:** funding for practitioners nominated for a major industry award, or to represent project/s with confirmed screenings in an eligible festival (refer to the eligible travel destination list).
- **Digital Games Industry Events & Conferences:** funding for digital game studios and independent developers (including game designers, producers and game developers) to attend networking events and conferences to build relationships with publishers, partners and promote projects.

Funding Available

- Up to \$2,000 per application for national destinations.

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- Up to \$3,500 per application for Asia-Pacific destinations.
- Up to \$6,000 per application for international destinations.

In addition, regionally based applicants can receive up to \$500 towards non-direct flight costs.

Funding is not automatic, even if the applicant satisfies all criteria.

Funding Caps

- Applicants with two or fewer shipped titles, broadcast, theatrical or commercially released credits in a related role can receive funding for up to two trips per financial year, including a maximum of one Asia Pacific or international trip.
- Applicants with two or more shipped titles, broadcast, theatrical or commercially released credits in a related role can receive funding for up to four trips per financial year, including a maximum of two Asia Pacific or international trips.

Eligibility

Applicant / Company Eligibility

1. The applicant must be either a Western Australian Resident or West Australian Production Company as defined in the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#).
2. The travelling representative must be a Western Australian Resident as defined in the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#).
3. Only one representative per project, company or organisation is eligible for travel funding for the destination being applied for.

Project Eligibility

1. Projects represented by an applicant at an industry event must satisfy the general eligibility criteria in the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#).
2. Additionally, if attending:
 - **Screen Industry Markets:** the applicant must take a slate of at least three projects in development and own or control the necessary rights to represent these projects at the market.

- **Festivals/Awards:** the applicant must have been invited to attend an eligible festival or awards event. For international festivals, funding is available to attend the world or international premiere outside the home territory.
- **Digital Games Industry Events & Conferences:** the applicant must hold the underlying rights to at least one digital games project in development or released with some level of market interest.

Independent digital games developers must also provide a letter of support from an established games studio or publisher on their capability to deliver the project (if the project is in production).

In exceptional circumstances applications outside the above criteria will be considered if the applicant can demonstrate significant benefits to Western Australia's screen sector.

Assessment Criteria

Eligible applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

1. The applicant's track record, including relevant and recent credits.
2. Merit of the opportunity as presented in the application and outcomes of attendance.
3. Viability of the applicant's submitted project/s, including market interest provided.
4. Potential economic and cultural benefits to the Western Australian screen sector more broadly.

In evaluating the application Screenwest will consider all information and weight the above criteria as it deems appropriate to best serve the purpose and strategic priorities of the organisation.

Application Process

- Before applying, read these guidelines and the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#). The Terms of Trade set out the core terms on which Screenwest conducts its business.
- Review the online application form on the [SmartyGrants portal](#). Make sure you have all the required documents ready to submit with the application.
- Discuss your application with the Screenwest Program Contact if required.

How To Apply

- Complete an online application form through the [SmartyGrants portal](#).
- Attach all relevant documentation and supporting material.

Contact the Program Manager if you require accessibility assistance.

After You Apply

1. Applications will be assessed by Screenwest Management.
2. You can expect a decision within 2-4 weeks of:
 - a. The funding round closing date for competitive travel funding rounds; or
 - b. Submitting your application (applications outside of competitive rounds).
3. Screenwest will advise applicants of the outcome of their application via email.

Screenwest recognises the work that goes into the preparation and submission of applications. Due to the anticipated high volume of applicants, we are unable to provide feedback on individual applications.

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