



# Artists for Kids Culture 2020 SURVEY

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Distributed to 2019-2020 Grant Recipients

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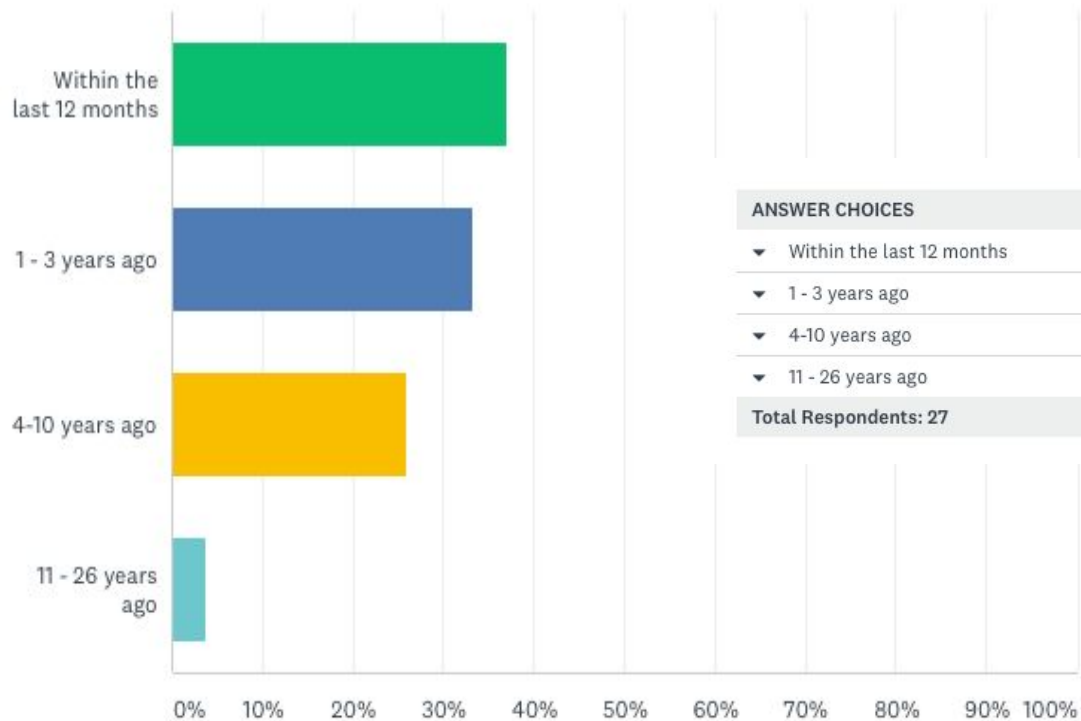
The survey was conducted between May and June 2020. We sent the survey via Survey Monkey to **85** recent Artists for Kids Culture successful applicants which included the following groups:

- Child support services
- Indigenous support services for children
- Housing support services
- Welfare support services
- Primary carers
- Health organisations and
- Schools

We received 27 responses and all responses are included in this document.

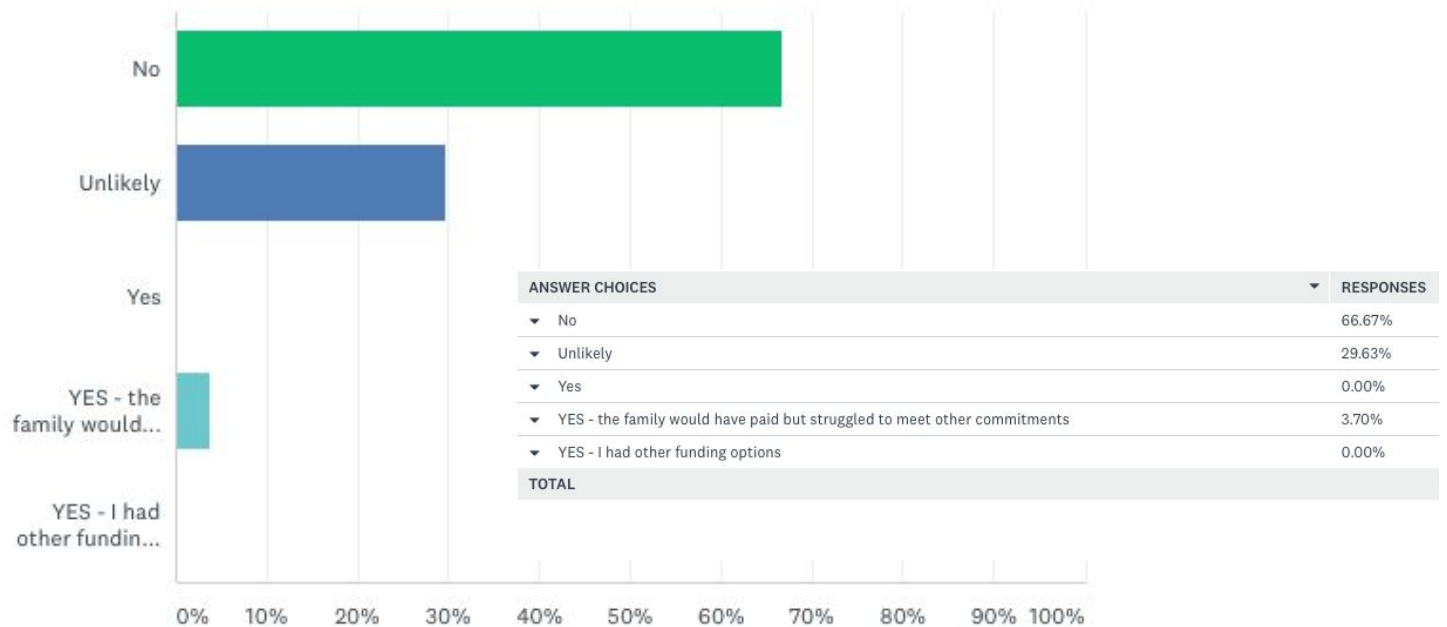
# When did you first access Artists for Kids Culture?

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# Without our grant, do you think the child/children would have been able to participate in the activity Artists for Kids Culture funded?

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# Can you give an example of a positive outcome occurring as a result of our funding?

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*A child can feel like part of the crew because she is participating in an activity that she would otherwise have been left out of. Pride, self-esteem and a sense of belonging go a long way to bolster and grow up a child into a healthy contributing adult.*

*Child with intellectual disability from low income household provided with opportunity to learn piano and develop a new skill.*

*The children have discovered their love of music, dance, performance.*

*Child's improved confidence that has impacted social connections with others through music.*

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*13 year old girl who has been attending the same dance school since she was 4. This has only been possible because of the support of AKC, they have enabled her to learn various dance genres over the years. She has become a confident performer and through her commitment to learning and practising gained a very strong sense of self. She has gained a great work ethic which she also applies to her studies and has taken on leadership roles at school. She has also become a part of the dance school community, has built up a great network of friends and mentors.*

*Child engages in artistic performance allowing for a break from issues at home.*

*The self-esteem of my child went up! She had something to talk to her friends about. Joined local band as a beginner percussionist instantly! My other child said it made her feel very relaxed, one day she came out of piano and sighed "oh, i feel so relaxed" and i asked her why, and she said "oh, just music" :) Thank you, they love it so much.*

*Children can continue to do what they love in terms of music or art and it builds confidence and self esteem - carers do not have to worry about saying no to these activities with the extra financial support from AKC.*

*Child continued to play musical instrument and confidence increased.*

*The grandmother of the children whom are in her care had school books paid for.*

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*My son is engaged in an after school activity that he loves, it's his already chosen career path he tells us.*

*Child was awarded leading role, self-confidence spilled over to all areas of his life.*

*Child really enjoys the time with her teacher learning the piano.*

*Children being able to have time away from parents doing something they love.*

*The hope is for increased confidence and help making friends.*

*My son developed the confidence and skills set in his chosen field, drama.*

*A child received funding for an art program. She lacked confidence, had experienced family violence, and both she and her mum, a single parent, were quite socially isolated and felt like they didn't 'fit' at their school/community. The girl loved her classes and she and her mother began to bond over the projects she had done. Her mum set up a basic market stall to earn some extra money on the weekend and the girl had the confidence to use some of the art techniques to sell her own little pictures. Instead of being bored at the market and whining, she was occupied and proudly sold a few to some kind locals.*

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*An Australian championship title in Ballroom Dancing was achieved!*

*Meeting physical needs and learning a new skill.*

*One of the students you supported is now an emerging artist who our organisation (L2R) employs as an independent contractor.*

*With the assistance through a hard financial time it allowed my daughter to continue in her dance which I would most likely have had to cancel due to other urgent expenses at the time and the chance for me to save for next fees.*

*Five year old has dance classes for the year - building her confidence and creativity, social and emotional development.*

*Proving normalisation in the child's life, including self-confidence building.*

*One child has excelled in her dance class to the degree that the dance school is willing to match any funding provided by AKC. They are doing this as they can see the benefits of dance for this child, who has shown increased confidence, and participation within her classes.*

*My son has been able to participate in an overseas trip as a member of a Brass Band, and more recently to undertake jewellery and metalsmithing/silversmithing classes.*

*Child continued to participate in activity that enhances her community connectedness and physical development.*





# Is there anything you would like to add that may assist us?

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*Grants that have supported larger projects with performance outcomes have contributed to an enriched life for many children through participation, learning new skills and celebration at a community level.*

*It is amazing that Artist for Kids Culture assists disadvantaged children as it keeps them away from engaging in unhealthy behaviours. It would be good for some sporting grants to exist, as it is common to have children who find it easier to engage in sport than in art.*

*This is a fantastic opportunity for kids to access things they may not otherwise be able to do.*

*I have found the service fantastic and helpful.*

*Amazing organisation that is providing opportunities for children and young people that helps shape their sense of self and belonging.*

*... is there an automated way of advising if application is denied or accepted?*

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*Your service is incredible. Not only children benefit but parents in regard to establishing routines, engaging with others, feeling proud of their children and feeling socially accepted as parents. I also feel that communities benefit - the more vulnerable families connect to their community, the more invisible issues become visible and the better communities can respond. I believe in some cases parents have gone on to receive discounted fees or other support when your funding has finished.*

*Recurring funding for a child has been a positive and reliable outcome to their world when so much is unknown and forever changing for them.*

*I think it's wonderful that there is funding for arts, so many people can't afford for their children to pursue artistic pursuits.*

*Alot of our recipients would never be able to attend without your support. Most children in the community attend extra curricular activities, this is not a option for all children. Due to your support you keep children smiling, give them self confidence and know that someone believes in them. Thank you to everyone behind the scenes , your work doesn't go unnoticed. You make our community better, Thankyou.*

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*It is wonderful that AKC can fund a child who is showing real engagement and benefits from the funded activity, can continue on with future classes, and that the organisation ie the dance school etc can apply as well as a parent or a community organisation like myself.*

*The only way I found out about Artists for Kids Culture is because I was applying for grants from other organisations and they suggested you, otherwise I would never have come across you, as there is very little in the way of online or advertised presence.*

*Many of our outcomes are long term impacts. Investment in our young people takes years of relationship and trust building with multiple complex layers. We thank AKC for your support over the years and trusting us to drive positive social change through dance.*

*Such a great initiative that is so needed. Providing children with the creative outlet they need to grow and thrive. I found the whole application process very easy and Kylie was always very friendly and professional.*



## How did you find out about Artists for Kids Culture?

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▼ Website	22.22%	6
▼ Organisation recommendation	29.63%	8
▼ Word of mouth	40.74%	11
▼ Teacher / program recommendation	0.00%	0
▼ Social media	0.00%	0
▼ other	11.11%	3
<b>Total Respondents: 27</b>		

[Comments \(3\)](#)

### COMMENTS:

- Long association through the Adventure Playground Network and manager was on the committee for a year or so.
- Through Mirabel Foundation.
- Amazing and dedicated board members.

# Do/did you find our grant process straight forward?

Answered: 27 Skipped: 0

9.1★  
average rating



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
★	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.70%	3.70%	11.11%	3.70%	14.81%	62.96%
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If you found it found it difficult, please provide feedback:

- The application process is straight forward but have at times been unclear about the success of some applications.
- It would be easier to send the invoice via a docx format or PDF not jpeg.
- It was not easy to find and I had to go through several people before I even found your organisation, the application itself was pretty straight forward since I had already submitted a lot of applications.
- The online form sometimes resets in the middle of application and documents are difficult to upload. There is often a need to chase up applications to see whether they have been approved.

# Conclusion: By Artists for Kids Culture

## 2020 SURVEY

### “Your Input Would so Great”

The support Artists for Kids Culture provides is highly regarded and the model used to distribute funds is effective and valued with a few recommendations suggested around grant administration. Most applicants have been funded within the last ten years and almost all of the applicants stated that the children would have missed out on opportunities without our support.

The positive outcomes described provide strong evidence that what we do is of great benefit to children, families and community. We are a bespoke organisation filling a real need but should also think about broadening our outreach.

Thank you to all who took part in the survey, your input is very valuable.