



international arts festival  
for bright young things

**The AWESOME International Arts Festival for Bright Young Things is a great way for your students to experience amazing and interactive art from all over the world, right here in Perth!**

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<b>Purpose of the Excursion</b>
<p>AWESOME aims to inspire creativity and expression in young Western Australians through engagement with a broad range of contemporary art forms. The breadth of the Festival program affords multiple educational opportunities both in terms of content and interactivity.</p> <p>A typical day out for students at the AWESOME Festival would include seeing a world class theatre or dance performance, attending one of the many programmed workshops in an area of interest or curriculum focus, and experiencing awe-inspiring installations, designed to encourage discussion and participation within a social/community context.</p> <p>All programmed activities have accompanying curriculum-linked educational resource kits provided to teachers prior to the excursion.</p>
<b>Environment</b>
<p>The AWESOME Festival is held in the Perth CBD and the Perth Cultural Centre, from the 8<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October 2012. Within these precincts AWESOME stages events in the following venues:</p> <p><b>Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts (PICA):</b> This is located in the Perth Cultural Centre on James street and primarily holds theatre and dance events. PICA has wheel chair access to the theatre. Toilets available.</p> <p><b>The State Library of WA:</b> This is the venue for our film program. The theatre is located at the back of the library and is wheel chair accessible. Public toilets available.</p> <p><b>Perth Cultural Centre:</b> Outdoor space for shows. Students are recommended to bring a hat.</p>

<p><b>Forrest Place:</b> Forrest place is the heart of the AWESOME Festival, hosting not only the AWESOME Spiegletent, but as well as various performances and exhibitions. Students are recommended that they bring along a hat at this venue. No toilets available.</p> <p><b>His Majesty's Theatre:</b> One of Perth's leading theatres, His Majesty's Theatre is host to world class theatre, dance and international performers. Located on the corner of Hay Street and King Street, Perth. Wheelchair access and toilets available.</p> <p><b>one40william St:</b> Located on Murray St, next to the underground train station entrance, this venue is used for instillations and workshops. This space is equipped with a lift for wheel chair access and has newly renovated public toilets.</p> <p><b>214 William St:</b> Located in the arts district of Northbridge, this space is used for exhibitions, instillations, creative workshops, and film shoots. No toilets available.</p>
<p><b>Transport</b></p>
<p>AWESOME Arts does not provide transport to the AWESOME Festival however there is a safe bus drop off at Francis Street behind the WA Museum. AWESOME venues are also easily accessed from both Perth Railway Stations.</p>
<p><b>Students' Capacity</b></p>
<p>The AWESOME Festival is accessible for all ages specifically targeting 0-12 years. We program activities to suit specific age groups and can advise accordingly. The AWESOME Festival presents street theatre, dance, film, music, new media, sculpture, interactive exhibitions and workshops. Throughout the day the students are able to participate in workshops, view a show and be a part of the interactive exhibitions.</p> <p>The tour will be subject to change at the teacher's request. All tours run from 10am- 2pm Monday to Friday. Each student will also be supplied with an AWESOME pack that includes a program and some AWESOME goodies.</p>
<p><b>Supervisor/Supervisory Team</b></p>
<p>While schools are at the AWESOME Festival they will be assigned an AWESOME volunteer guide. This volunteer is there to guide you through your AWESOME day, ensuring the students arrive at workshops and shows on time, as well as answering any questions that are related to the artwork and engaging the students. The teacher in charge and supporting staff from the school are responsible for the supervision and any specific requirements of the students at all times.</p> <p>The general public and other schools will visit the AWESOME Festival so it is important that students demonstrate responsible behavior to ensure their safety and wellbeing.</p>
<p><b>External Provider Information</b></p>
<p>Every staff member and volunteer who works with AWESOME during the Festival is required to have a Working With Children Check prior to joining the AWESOME team.</p> <p>We are covered by public liability insurance for \$20million and a certificate of currency can be emailed upon request.</p>
<p><b>Supervision Strategies</b></p>
<p>AWESOME Arts recommends that each group have a maximum of 30 students when participating in the AWESOME Festival. For larger groups we work with teachers to split them up so as to provide the best possible experience.</p>

<p>K-Year 3: 1 School Staff member to 6 students</p> <p>Year 4-7: 1 School Staff member to 8 students</p> <p>Year 8- 10: 1 School Staff member to 10 students</p>
<p><b>Identification of Excursion Participants</b></p>
<p>AWESOME recommends that students wear school uniforms whilst at the Festival. However if this is not possible, it is up to the school to choose a suitable method of identifying students.</p>
<p><b>Communication Strategies</b></p>
<p>Your AWESOME volunteer tour guide will be able to communicate with other AWESOME staff and management at all times. AWESOME recommends that staff members in charge bring mobile phones in case of emergency.</p>
<p><b>Emergency Response Plan</b></p>
<p>All AWESOME staff and volunteers are trained in how to deal with an emergency during the Festival, and key personnel are in radio contact to ensure effective communications.</p> <p>AWESOME has an evacuation procedure for each venue. In the event that an evacuation is required, the venue manager will give notice and it is essential that all school visitors take directions from AWESOME staff.</p> <p>Teachers can increase safety by always ensuring that they meet the minimum supervision requirements (see Supervision Strategies above) and by strongly encouraging students to stay in their groups with their adult supervisors whilst at the AWESOME Festival.</p> <p>Once evacuation from the venue occurs, all visitors will be assembled at a common point. Teachers will be able to do a roll call there and will need to immediately alert AWESOME staff if any students are missing.</p> <p>Staff and volunteers carry emergency phone numbers with them at all times.</p>
<p><b>Briefing Students and Supervisors</b></p>
<p>On arrival to the AWESOME Festival the AWESOME volunteer will explain the day's activities to the students as well as outlining emergency procedures and general rules. It is the teacher's responsibility to ensure head counts are conducted throughout the day.</p> <p>The school will be supplied with an educational pack including a Festival program and Educators Resource Kit. AWESOME recommends that teachers undertake the appropriate activities before attending the Festival to maximize educational value to the students.</p> <p>Post-Festival activities are as provided.</p>
<p><b>Other Relevant Details</b></p>
<p>Due to the location of the Festival, AWESOME is unable to estimate how many of the general public will be attending on the day. However, we can advise of other school numbers booked in that day.</p> <p>By booking an excursion through AWESOME we can guarantee that participants gain entry to all planned events and at busy times, booked tours have priority over general public.</p>

LUNCH: Students will be given a 30min lunch break during their excursion. They will need to carry their lunch with them in their backpacks for the duration of the excursion.

SUN SMART: Students will be in the sun for a reasonable part of the day, moving between venues and taking part in outdoor activities. AWESOME recommends all students bring a water bottle, wear a hat and sunscreen.

**This information is valid until 31 January 2013**

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