

Call for Expression of Interest Volunteer Board Position: Treasurer 2026



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Arts Northern Rivers (ANR) is seeking an experienced finance professional to join our volunteer Board of Directors as Treasurer, helping to guide the financial sustainability and strategic direction of the peak arts body for the Northern Rivers.

We are particularly keen to hear from accountants, financial managers, CFOs/CEOs and senior leaders with strong financial management and governance experience.

About Arts Northern Rivers

Arts Northern Rivers is the regional arts development organisation (RADO) for the Northern Rivers. Established in 2003 by the region's seven Mayors and incorporated in 2004, ANR has grown to become the largest and leading RADO in NSW.

As the peak arts organisation for our region, we:

- Support and advocate for artists and creative industries
- Deliver services and projects that foster artistic innovation and excellence
- Work to ensure access to and engagement with arts and cultural activity across the Northern Rivers

We are an independent, not-for-profit organisation, supported by Create NSW and Northern Rivers local governments.

PURPOSE

We deliver services and projects that foster the creative industries, encourage excellence, and ensure access and engagement with arts and cultural activity.

VISION

An engaged, diverse, connected and resilient arts and cultural sector that is valued in our region, recognised nationally and internationally, and contributes to the social and economic wellbeing of the Northern Rivers.

IMPACT AREAS

Support for Artists • Regional Development & Exchange • Research & Advocacy • Major Initiatives

The Opportunity – Treasurer (Board Director)

This is an opportunity to apply your financial expertise to a meaningful community role, supporting a dynamic arts organisation that has real impact across the Northern Rivers.

The Treasurer will work closely with the Chair, Executive Director and Board to provide:

- **Financial Oversight** – Monitor the organisation's financial position and ensure transparency through quarterly and annual reporting.
- **Budget & Planning** – Oversee the annual budget, track performance, and advise on financial risks and opportunities.
- **Reporting & Compliance** – Present clear quarterly and annual financial reports to the Board; oversee audits and statutory reporting.
- **Risk Management** – Identify and monitor financial risks, ensure appropriate internal controls, and safeguard long-term sustainability.
- **Strategic Input** – Provide financial strategic leadership and contribute to organisational planning and decision-making.
- **Governance Participation** – Actively participate in Board and committee meetings and contribute constructively to discussions.

TIME COMMITMENT

Approximately 4 hours per quarter, including Board meeting preparation, attendance, and occasional organisational events. Five Board meetings per year generally 90 minutes. Meetings held during the day at the ANR office in Lismore.

This is a voluntary (unpaid) governance role.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE SOUGHT

We are particularly interested in candidates with:

- Professional accounting or finance qualifications (e.g. CPA, CA or equivalent), and
- Experience in financial management, budgeting, reporting and risk management, ideally at an organisational or business-unit level
- Experience with governance, audits and compliance (board or senior management level experience will be highly regarded)

Experience in the not-for-profit, arts, community or government-funded sectors is desirable but not essential.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

We are looking for someone who:

- Has a genuine interest in supporting the arts and creative industries in the Northern Rivers
- Brings integrity, professionalism and sound judgement
- Is collaborative, practical and solution-focused
- Is committed to good governance, transparency and accountability

HOW TO APPLY

If you would like to contribute your skills to strengthen the arts and creative sector in our region, we invite you to submit an Expression of Interest including:

- A short résumé, and
- A brief cover letter outlining your relevant financial management, governance and leadership experience, and why you are interested in the role of Treasurer.

Please send your application to: jen@artsnorthernrivers.com.au

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Friday 20 March, 2026

CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION

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