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## CALLING YOUNG WESTERN AUSTRALIAN ARTISTS FOR 2011 *JUMP* NATIONAL MENTORING PROGRAM

Propel Youth Arts WA invites young and emerging Western Australian artists to apply for the 2011 *JUMP* national mentoring program when applications open on 30 August.

Funded by the Australia Council for the Arts, *JUMP* identifies and promotes excellence in artistic practice amongst artists aged 18 – 30 who are in the first five years of their professional practice.

*JUMP* supports artists in developing a one-on-one relationship with an industry leader of their choice, working with them on a funded creative project. The program also provides access to national industry networks, online profiling and professional development opportunities.

Propel Youth Arts WA is one of four state delivery partners involved in the *JUMP* program providing valuable support for young artists in responding to their local needs.

Propel Youth Arts WA is the peak body for youth arts in Western Australia dedicated to creating opportunities for young people to engage in the Arts.

“We are excited to provide young and emerging Western Australian artists an opportunity to take their creative careers one step further through the *JUMP* program,” says Monique Douglas, Executive Director of *JUMP* inaugural state delivery partner, Propel Youth Arts WA.

“The artistic works produced by previous Western Australian *JUMP* participants is a testimony to the importance of fostering mentoring relationships in developing their creative practice. It is fantastic to offer a program that provides invaluable support and advice to these young artists.”

Building on the success of *JUMP*'s inaugural 2010 program, up to 50 mentorships are available nationally in 2011, making *JUMP* Australia's largest artist mentoring program.

Applications for the 2011 *JUMP* program close 22 October 2010.

Full details, including *JUMP* information session dates, application forms and FAQs, as well as Selection Panel Tips can be found at [www.jumpmentoring.com.au](http://www.jumpmentoring.com.au).

*JUMP, the National Mentoring Program for Young and Emerging Artists, is supported by the Australia Council for the Arts, the Australian Government's arts funding and advisory body, through the Opportunities for Young and Emerging Artists initiative.*

*JUMP* is managed nationally by Youth Arts Queensland in collaboration with state delivery partners in New South Wales (*CarriageWorks* [www.carriageworks.com.au](http://www.carriageworks.com.au)), Victoria (*Melbourne Fringe* [www.melbournefringe.com.au](http://www.melbournefringe.com.au)), South Australia (*Carclew Youth Arts* [www.carclew.com.au](http://www.carclew.com.au)) and Western Australia (*Propel Youth Arts WA* [www.propel.org.au](http://www.propel.org.au)).

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