



ARTRAGE Philanthropy Policy

Section 1 – Purpose & Context:

ARTRAGE Inc. is a non-for-profit registered charity and Western Australian arts and cultural organisation.

As a registered charity, ARTRAGE has endorsed Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status and can therefore receive tax deductible gifts.

Income from partnerships, government funding and donations are all essential to achieving ARTRAGE'S mission.

The purpose of this document is to provide a framework for the solicitation, acceptance, and management of philanthropic gifts to ARTRAGE.

This policy is intended to outline the acceptable principles and conditions for ARTRAGE philanthropic activity, with the aim of ensuring donated funds are managed in a way which aligns with ARTRAGE's values and is compliant with all relevant laws.

This policy applies to all philanthropic gifts received by ARTRAGE, including bequests and gifts made to the Fringe Fund. This policy does not apply to ARTRAGE partnerships and sponsorships.

This policy applies to all ARTRAGE staff and anyone who acts on behalf of ARTRAGE to facilitate philanthropic giving.

Section 2 – Guidelines:

- 1) All philanthropy activities carried out by ARTRAGE will comply with all relevant laws.
- 2) Donations must be used to support activities consistent with ARTRAGE's organisational Purpose, Vision, Mission and other strategic goals.
- 3) All ARTRAGE staff and anyone who acts on behalf of ARTRAGE to facilitate philanthropic giving shall avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest and shall avoid engaging in behaviour that would compromise the integrity of ARTRAGE's philanthropic program.
- 4) ARTRAGE employees or anyone who acts on behalf of ARTRAGE to facilitate philanthropic giving are not to engage in speculation about the taxation implications or legal status of donations with respect to the potential impact on the donor.
- 5) Donors are to be encouraged to seek independent professional advice about the taxation status and any other business or legal implications associated with their donation.
- 6) ARTRAGE is to encourage engagement with key stakeholders, both internal and external, to maximise the impact and success of philanthropy.



- 7) ARTRAGE will not differentiate the quality or nature of donor stewardship based on the donor's relationship or affiliation with ARTRAGE.
- 8) ARTRAGE is to respect the degree of privacy requested by donors, as specified by the donor when making a gift to ARTRAGE or as clarified by the donor at a later date. ARTRAGE is to maintain updated records of requests for privacy made by donors.
- 9) ARTRAGE is to use tied donations in the manner intended by the donor so long as the intention meets Clause 2. Where this is not possible, ARTRAGE will endeavour to make contact with the donor or their representative to discuss alternative arrangements.
- 10) The artistic independence and integrity of ARTRAGE programming is vital and as such donors will not dictate or have creative programming influence.
- 11) ARTRAGE is to ensure that any artist or contractor who receives support through philanthropic gifts, are informed of the origin of funds, with respect to the level of privacy requested by the donor, and agree to receive these funds in a manner which avoids reputational damage to ARTRAGE or to the donor.

Section 3 – Philanthropic Gifts:

- 12) ARTRAGE will only accept philanthropic gifts where they:
 - a. align with ARTRAGE's Mission and Purpose,
 - b. where they do not conflict with existing sponsorships, donors or other ARTRAGE stakeholders, and
 - c. where they do not comprise the creative autonomy of ARTRAGE or the creative autonomy of independent artists who perform through a platform provided by ARTRAGE, including FRINGE WORLD Festival and other ARTRAGE run activities.
- 13) A philanthropic gift made to ARTRAGE must have the following characteristics:
 - a. the gift is made voluntarily,
 - b. the gift does not provide the donor with any material benefit,
 - c. the gift is motivated by philanthropic intent on the part of the donor, and
 - d. the gift will not result in an administrative or financial burden to ARTRAGE.
- 14) A philanthropic gift to ARTRAGE may be:
 - a. cash,
 - b. shares or stock,
 - c. property,
 - d. any other acceptable gift as dictated by the Australian Tax Office (ATO).
- 15) Prior to acceptance of non-monetary gifts, ARTRAGE will consider whether it:
 - a. will serve ARTRAGE's best interests,
 - b. will result in an administrative or financial burden,
 - c. in practice, could be converted into cash,
 - d. has been valued, and
 - e. can be received by ARTRAGE in accordance with relevant compliance obligations.
- 16) ARTRAGE reserves the right to refuse an offered gift.

Section 4 – Donors:



- 17) ARTRAGE will accept philanthropic gifts from organisations and individuals only if accepting the gift will meet the proportional expectations of ARTRAGE stakeholders including participating artists, Honorary Life Members, customers and partners, as deemed by the ARTRAGE Board and staff.
- 18) If ARTRAGE deems to no longer accept gifts from an organisation or individual, this will not change the nature of gifts which have already been accepted unless in extraordinary circumstances.