

**PARRAMATTA
ARTISTS'
STUDIOS
RYDALMERE**

**2023-2025
STUDIO APPLICATIONS**

INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

Applications are now open for Parramatta Artists' Studios in Rydalmere. Apply now for a two year studio tenancy in one of six fabulous studio spaces.

First Nations, Culturally and Linguistically Diverse, LGBTQA+ artists are encouraged to apply.

[Apply Here](#)

Key dates

- **Applications open** – Thursday 19 January 2023
- **Applications close** – Tuesday 28 February 2023, midnight AEDT.
- **Applicants notified** – Monday 27 March 2023

Studio location: 22 Mary Parade, Rydalmere.

Studio tenancy length: 2 years - begins 12 June 2023 and ends on 15 June 2025.

The Rydalmere Studios offer:

- A focus on artists who are beyond their emerging career stage (open to PAS studio alumni and new applicants).
- Two year tenancies - begin 12 June 2023 and end 15 June 2025.
- Six (6) studios are available. Four warehouse-style studios and two smaller office-style studios.

Upcoming Information Sessions

Make a booking for an in-person or online Information Session to ask questions and find out more about PAS and the studio application process.

- **Online First Nations-led Information Session:** Wednesday 1 February 3:00pm - 4:30pm. [**Please book here.**](#)
- **In-person Information Session held on site at Parramatta Artists' Studios Rydalmere:**
Wednesday 15 February 3:00pm - 6:00pm. [**Please book here.**](#)
- **Online Information Session:** Monday 20 February 3:00pm - 4:30pm. [**Please book here.**](#)



Chris Dolman's PAS studio, 2022. Photo Jacquie Manning.

ABOUT PARRAMATTA ARTISTS' STUDIOS

Parramatta Artists' Studios (PAS) is the energetic home for creative production in Western Sydney. We empower and equip artists to build thriving and sustainable creative lives. We nurture ideas and experimentation, supporting artists to take risks. We work to establish and strengthen peer and professional communities in the contemporary art sector.

We have supported hundreds of artists since opening in 2006 and have a growing community of alumni who are at the forefront of contemporary artistic practice in Australia.

Through our supported studio facilities in Granville (upcoming) and Rydalmere, as well as our digital residencies, we offer studio tenancies, residencies, career development opportunities and community-connected programs. These programs connect artists with Parramatta's wider communities and contribute to its vibrant culture.

ABOUT THE RYDALMERE STUDIOS

Parramatta Artists' Studios Rydalmere is situated on the land of the Burrumattagal clan of the Dharug people. The 104ha Rydalmere industrial precinct is located three kilometres from the Parramatta CBD and adjoins the Western Sydney University (WSU) Parramatta campus.

The studios are close to a range of businesses from panel beaters to tile manufacturers and a specialist hobby store. Further relevant businesses located nearby on Victoria Road include a hardware store, tools supplier and electronics retailer.

STUDIO INFORMATION

No. of studios available:

Six (6) studios are available from 12 June 2023.

Studio tenancy length:

2 year tenancies.

Studio dates:

Tenancies begin 12 June and end 15 June 2025.

Studio location:

22 Mary Parade, Rydalmere.

Weekly fee:

Ranging from approx. \$25 to \$45 per week according to size (subject to change).

Shared studio facilities:

- Paint/chemical sink
- Kitchenette and communal lunch area
- Gender neutral bathrooms
- Wifi and power provided
- Please note, we do not provide a tools/equipment workshop.

Individual Studio description:

- Four studios are on the ground floor, two studios are on level one.
- Ground floor studios have concrete flooring and are plywood-partitioned spaces without ceilings (i.e. open to the warehouse ceiling).
- Level one studios have carpeted floors and are fully partitioned office-style spaces.
- Studio sizes range from 25 to 45 sqm.
- All studios have 24-hour access and are non-residential.
- Six parking spaces are provided. Four undercover and two open-air car spaces
- All studios have natural light as well as fluorescent overhead lights.
- Studios are not acoustically treated.
- Work tables and chairs are provided for each studio.

Access and Security:

- The entry and studios on the ground floor are all step-free. Studios on Level 1 of the building are only accessible by stairs.
- There is a ground level loading area with a large warehouse-size garage door for loading / unloading large objects.
- The building is located behind a security fence and is fitted with a security sensor light for night time activity.
- All studios are individually lockable.

Getting to the Rydalmere studios

- Buses service Rydalmere via Victoria Road and travel to and from Parramatta train station.
- A bike route also runs along Parramatta River, connecting Rydalmere to Sydney Olympic Park and beyond (heading east) and Parramatta Park and Westmead (heading west).
- Six car parking spots are available on-site free of charge to Studio Artists. Street parking is available Saturday and Sunday, but is limited on Monday to Friday.
- The Rydalmere light rail station (coming soon) will be a short 5-minute walk away.



Nadia Odlum's PAS studio, 2022. Photo Jacquie Manning.

ELIGIBILITY, SELECTION CRITERIA & KEY DATES

ELIGIBILITY

Applications are open to:

- Artists from all artforms.
- Artists using artforms suitable for a warehouse or office style studio space.
- Artists from Parramatta, Western Sydney and across Greater Sydney.
- Applicants must be 18 years of age or above.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Vision of artistic practice and potential.
- Impact of a studio residency to the artists' work, career and sustainability.
- Value of locating the artist's practice in the City of Parramatta and Western Sydney.

Note: The allocation of studios is decided by a selection committee established by the City of Parramatta council. The Committee includes a practising artist, a First Nations representative, an external arts industry representative, PAS staff member and a City of Parramatta representative.

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GET IN TOUCH

Our staff are available via email or phone to answer your questions.

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