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Arts Funding Workshop back by popular demand

People in the Central West are becoming increasingly skilled in finding money for their arts and cultural projects.

Arts OutWest will hold another of their very popular **Arts Funding Workshops** next **Thursday August 6, 10am-2pm in the West Room at Orange Regional Gallery.**

The region has some of the highest application rates in the state to funding from the Country Arts Support Program, the Regional Arts Fund and Arts NSW – the main sources of arts funding in regional areas.

With such stiff competition it's important to know where the money is, what the deadlines are, what funding bodies are looking for and how to put together an application.

The Arts OutWest workshop on arts funding held earlier this month in Grenfell was booked out well in advance, with a long waiting list – so people are advised to book early for this one.

Join Arts OutWest Executive Officer Tracey Callinan as she explains the ins and out of arts funding and, with practical exercises, helps groups find the best way to seek funds for their projects.

This workshop is for individuals and those representing organisations who are thinking of applying for arts funding sometime in the next 12 months.

"Whether you're looking for \$400 seed funding for a small community project up to \$20,000 or more for something much bigger, the skills and the application process is often the same," said Tracey Callinan.

"Now is especially a great time to begin planning applications for the Country Arts Support Program, which closes early 2010" said Ms Callinan.

The workshop is \$33 per person. As places in the workshop are limited bookings are essential. Contact Arts OutWest on 6338 4657 or email artsoutwest@csu.edu.au