

Lucy Guerin Inc / Resident Director 2027 Information Pack

Lucy Guerin Inc (LGI) seeks Expressions of Interest from Melbourne-based choreographers to join the Company as its Resident Director in 2027.

As part of its commitment to supporting independent dance artists in the development of their careers, LGI selects one choreographer annually as its Resident Director. This year-long program, suitable for choreographers approaching mid-career, is an opportunity that focuses on supporting the individual's specific goals and interests as they look to take their next steps as an artist. Previous holders of this role include Tra Mi Dinh, Lee Serle, Alice Will Caroline, Rebecca Jensen, Lilian Steiner, Benjamin Hancock, Alisdair Macindoe, Mariaa Randall, Prue Lang, Jo Lloyd, Melanie Lane, Stephanie Lake, and Antony Hamilton.

The Resident Director receives a \$12,000 fee (plus superannuation) and up to 6 weeks of dedicated full-time access at WXYZ Studios to support the creation and development of new work. LGI also supports the artist with advice on applying and securing funding and presentation opportunities for new works created during this period. The Resident Director has regular access to LGI's office and year-round studio program (including daily class and all workshop programs) and is invited to participate in artistic planning meetings with the Artistic Director and staff, including participation in LGI's Curatorium and attendance as an observer at LGI Board meetings.

LGI provides the Resident Director with mentoring in all aspects of running an artist-led company, including the opportunity to gain insight into Board meetings, the development of budgets, and strategic planning. A primary purpose of the program is to assist the Resident Director in developing the skills required to become an Artistic Director — these skills are distinct from those of a choreographer, but essential for the successful running of a dance company or other organisational structure.

Engagement

- Activities can take place between January – December 2027 with studio time, mentorship sessions and participation in LGI company activities to be scheduled in consultation with LGI
- The Resident Director is engaged on a fixed-term contract with a total fee of \$12,000 plus superannuation.

Who can apply?

- LGI encourages applications from artists identifying as First Nations, CALD, Deaf or Disabled, and LGBTQIA+.
- You must be a Melbourne-based choreographer.
- You can demonstrate a track record of making work—minimum 5 years of experience.

Assessment criteria

Your application will be assessed against the following criteria:

- The artistic merit of your work (as evidenced by support material).
- The demonstrated benefit of the program to your practice at this stage in your career.
- Your ability to clearly articulate and outline your goals and intentions for the program.

How to apply?

[Complete the online application form here](#) | Applications close 10am Monday 10 August 2026.

Access

If you require a PDF version or Word version of this application form, or would like to submit your application in an alternative format, please contact Freya Dark McGrath via freya@lucyguerininc.com. You can supply your phone number via email if you would prefer to discuss or text via phone.

Questions?

Please contact Producer, Freya Dark McGrath via freya@lucyguerininc.com with any questions or queries.