

AUCKLAND PRIDE AT Q

Q'S HAND-PICKED PRIDE PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 1 FEBRUARY — SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2019

Note: Q will not be open on Wednesday 6 February, Waitangi Day

Auckland Pride at Q is an inclusive, supportive and professional experience.

Q Theatre has been part of Auckland Pride since we hosted the Pride Gala in 2013 and it just gets bigger and better every year.

Q's annual Pride programme creates a platform for LGBTQIA+ artists, celebrates the LGBTQIA+ experience, explores the multiplicity of identity and creates opportunities for artists to present work in the festival context that Auckland Pride generates, in a meaningful and impactful way, one which speaks to the human experience.

Submissions close Sunday 28 October 2018

HOW DO WE SELECT THE SHOWS?

We are open to any genre or form as part of Pride at Q but we do have a few basic things we keep in mind when selecting work:

- **Context & clarity of ideas.**
Tell us what you're doing and be specific. There is no need to keep anything secret from us!
- **Bar raising. Q is a professional venue.**
We are looking for quality presentations that raise the bar for the artists involved.
- **Deliverable.**
We are looking for exciting projects with realistic expectations. Keep in mind that on a performance night you may need to pack in within 20 minutes and pack out within 20 minutes. Plans + Teams = Awesome.
- **Audience Reach.**
We are looking for projects that clearly outline how they will attract an audience within a realistic budget. But hey – it's Pride, so be creative! Yes posters, flyers... But what else?

THE PRIDE AT Q LOW DOWN

- Auckland Pride at Q is a **curated programme** of **free** and **ticketed** events.
- **Loft** and **Vault** performance spaces are ideal for a ticketed season ideally between 4 and 5 nights in duration. We are also open to shorter and longer seasons.
- **Rangatira** is ideal for big shows wanting to present a short 1 or 2 night season.
- **Q's Barfoot & Thompson Lounge** has limited space for free exhibitions and installations, small performances and/or as a meeting point for off-site performances or experiences taking part in Auckland Pride.
- Q Theatre operates our **own ticketing** and we will run the ticketing for your season. You can set your own ticket prices and we will advise as and when required.
- Ticketed shows can be no more than **60 minutes**.
- **Turnaround time between performances will be tight** and we programme with approximately 20 minutes to pack in and another 20 minutes to pack out.
- **Limited storage space** is available for set pieces, so be creative.

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WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

As part of Q's packaged rates, you will receive:

- **A professional venue.**
The opportunity to present work at Q at a fraction of our standard rates, by using a festival model (e.g. double and triple bills).
- **Production Coordinator.**
Dedicated tech and production support to help you navigate schedules and equipment.
- **Venue Technician (VT).**
During pack-in, a dedicated VT will help you settle in, keep you safe and help you make the most of our unique venues. Once seasons are up, a VT is on site to look after the building and keep shows ticking along.
- **Show Operator.**
Finding an experienced operator for a pride show can be tricky so our packages include an operator. If you have complicated sound or AV, you may need to budget for an additional operator. If you have your own operator in mind let us know and we can talk it through.
- **Venue Set up & Gear.**
This includes, a general lighting rig to share with the other productions using the space + sound and masking set up.
- **Marketing advice.**
Q's Marketing Coordinator will help you on the journey, providing advice and useful resources. We can also advise on suitable price points for Auckland Pride at Q, based on previous years' experience.
- **Promotional opportunities.**
There are many opportunities available to promote your show at Q including our digital screens on Queen Street and in Lounge. Plus you can make the most of our many poster placements around Q. Your show will also benefit from Q's Pride Festival takeover!

VENUE HIRE PACKAGE COSTS

Our aim is to make our spaces as affordable as possible, while still ensuring viability for the venue. We will package up a rate to include the basic costs of venue hire, standard equipment, Venue Technician and Show Operator. Once we know **what, when** and **how** you want to present your work, we will put together a detailed cost estimate for your season. For now, our Indicative Auckland Pride at Q Rate Card is available on our website so you can get a feel for our broad costs.

VENUE SPECS

Loft: 121 seats (including 2 wheelchair positions)

- Endstage | Racked seating block
- Dimensions:
 - Stage 12m x 8.2m
 - Height to beams 3.7m
 - Height to LX grid 4.1m
- Air conditioning: Legit awesome.

Vault: 72 seats (including 1 wheelchair position)

- Cabaret seating (tables of 4)
- Dimensions:
 - Stage 6m x 4m
 - Height 3.2m
 - Height to grid 2.4m
- Air conditioning: Vault is a warm venue. You have been warned.
- Seating can be removed for art installation

Further specs and site visits available on request.

KEEN? HERE'S HOW TO APPLY:

- Come and see us and have a look at our spaces, to make sure Q has the qualities your show is looking for.
- Fill out the appropriate Auckland Pride at Q submission form, available on our website – for ticketed events, free events or exhibition ideas.
- Email submissions to Q's Programme Coordinator, Kate Ward-Smythe
katews@qtheatre.co.nz
by **5pm on Sunday 28 October 2018**
- We'll let you know as soon as we can if you're a good fit for the Auckland Pride at Q 2019 programme.

