

ARTS CENTRE DESIGN BRIEF

FOR MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT 617-621 PACIFIC HIGHWAY ST. LEONARDS

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Blue Mountains Cultural Centre

1.1 Introduction

A Community Arts Centre is identified in the St Leonards / Crows Nest Planning Study as one of the major potential public benefit facilities that could be incorporated into future development projects. The Arts Centre will support various spaces for:

- art & photography studios
- dance rehearsal space
- theatre rehearsal space
- music studios
- workshop space
- gallery/exhibition space

Strong patronage of the arts by Council and the private sector, working in partnership, will strengthen St Leonards' image as a highly desirable place to live, work and play.

The Arts Centre would best be located on the first and second floors within the podium of a 'tall tower' near the station with a presence and direct access from ground level and be clearly visible from the street via glazing and signage.

Precedents

- Sydney Creative Hub (Greenland Centre) 2000m²
- City of Sydney Creative Spaces program
- Blue Mountains Cultural Centre 4000m²
- Former Collingwood Technical School Project 5000m²
- Mildura Arts Centre 4000m²
- Caboolture Arts Hub 5000m²

1.2 Design Goals

The key design goal for the Arts Centre is to create an engaging Community facility that:

- capitalizes on the synergy of consolidating arts operations and programs under one roof
- captures the vitality of the St Leonards/Crows Nest community,
- is warm, welcoming and accessible,
- has a high degree of visibility,
- supports diverse events including celebratory & day-to-day activities,
- provides much needed cultural facilities for people of all ages,
- has a dramatic architectural/artistic expression,
- creates a unique and engaging place which can become the heart of the community.





Caboolture Arts Hub



THE VISION



HI-RISE RESIDENTIAL

MID-RISE RESIDENTIAL

LO-RISE RESIDENTIAL

OFFICE

ARKING

Building Section

1.3 Site Description

617-621 Pacific Highway, St Leonards is a 1067 m² site that is located on a prominent corner in the urban block bounded by Atchison Street to the north, Pacific Highway to the south, Mitchell Street to the east and Christie St to the west.

The site has 3 street frontages to the Pacific Highway, Christie Street and Atchison Street, and to the east is the 16 storey IBM building.

The site is located within 100m of St Leonards station, within the 'centre' of the St Leonards precinct and is identified as a site for a 'tall' building under North Sydney Councils' development controls.

The proposed Community Arts Centre would be located on level 1 and 2 of the development with a dedicated entrance foyer on Atchison Street.

1.4 General Requirements

Provide building services, finishes, fixtures and fittings that are appropriate to the function of each space.

Lift Provision

The Community Arts Centre shall be served by two 25person / 2000kg capacity lifts with 1300 wide door openings.

Power / Data Provision

Provide skirting mounted, re-locatable power and data outlets to all spaces with table mounted outlets in meeting rooms.

Provide CCTV coverage for all spaces.

Provide data / server room (secure with good ventilation away from noise sensitive areas).

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THE SITE

Aerial Photograph | St Leonards and surrounds

Entry / Exhibition / Meeting 2.0

2.1 Entry Lobby (Ground Level):

40m²

2.3

Art Gallery/Exhibition Space (Level 1):

General Description:

This space is intended to provide gallery/exhibition space for community based arts and/or sponsored temporary exhibitions.

300m²

15m²

Flexible/moveable exhibition wall system to be included To have access to views and daylight (blackout blinds to be included)

Provision for interactive and digital media to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Security barrier at top of spiral stair Glazed separation of gallery space from general lift and stair circulation and break out area for after-hours security (but allowing after-hours access to studio spaces). Include wide entry to allow for larger works.

Finishes: Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Hanging system (ceiling and walls) Track light system Laminate finish joinery Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit exhibition function

Relationship Adjacencies: Reception, lift lobby, amenities, breakout/lounge

2.4 Gallery/Exhibition Office (Level 1):

General Description: Office for Arts Centre manager Desk, chairs and storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Finishes: Carpet floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services: Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit office function

Relationship Adjacencies: Lift lobby, gallery/exhibition space, breakout/lounge







General Description:

Space for entry and display of artworks. Clearly organized, highly visible to the street, exciting space. Stair to gallery space above with glazed door between top of stairs and gallery space.

Finishes:

Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls, void to gallery space above Painted steel feature stair Double doors to connect loading dock and lift lobby Artwork hanging system

Services: Feature / exhibition lighting system Electronic information / directional display system

Relationship Adjacencies: Street, lifts, gallery space (via stair).

2.2 Reception (Level 1):

General Description: A welcome desk to provide first point of contact for Arts Centre visitors Information point for all elements of the Arts Centre Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes: Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ ceiling, timber veneer joinery

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting

Relationship Adjacencies: Entry stair, lift lobby and gallery space



10m²

DETAILED SPACE PROGRAM

Caboolture Arts Centre

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2.5 Breakout/Lounge Space x 2 (Levels 1&2):

General Description:

This space is intended to serve as a breakout space for Arts Centre staff, it would also be utilised as a pre-function space for visitors prior to entering the gallery/exhibition or theatre/ dance rehearsal spaces.

It will include a kitchenette, storage, table and seats Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, plasterboard internal walls, Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting

Relationship Adjacencies: Art gallery/exhibition space, theatre/dance rehearsal, reception, lift lobby and amenities

2.6 Meeting Rooms x 2 (Levels 1&2):

40 - 50m²

25m²

General Description:

Two meeting rooms (14 and 20 person capacity) with AV capacity for use by community, Council and Arts Centre for booked meetings Bench space and storage cupboards to be included Tables and chairs to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Finishes:

Carpet floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services: Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit meeting function Table mounted power / data outlets

Relationship Adjacencies: Lift lobby, gallery/exhibition space, breakout/lounge







Breakout / Lounge Space



Reception

DETAILED SPACE PROGRAM

3.0 Rehearsal Spaces

3.1 Performance Rehearsal Space (Level 2):

General Description:

Multi-purpose room to host a variety of activities including:

200m²

15m²

- Dance/Theatre Rehearsals
- Lectures and audio visual presentations
- Education Programs
- Rentals for special occasions

Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Stepped timber platform seating area to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes: Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery Acoustic treatment in walls & ceiling

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit rehearsal function

Relationship Adjacencies: Lift Lobby, workshop space, amenities, storage

3.2 Performance Rehearsal Storage (Level 2):

General Description:

Storage for studio activities, supporting education programs. Storage for tables, chairs and props for rehearsals/events.

Finishes: Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework

Relationship Adjacencies: Theatre/dance rehearsal space, breakout /lounge, amenities









Dance Rehearsal Space

Artists Studio

4.0 Studio Spaces

4.1 Single Artist Studio (Level 1):

2

General Description: Work space for single artist with good daylight access Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling, Laminate finish joinery

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required Plaster traps to sinks

Relationship Adjacencies: Shared artist studio, amenities, breakout/lounge

4.2 Shared Artist Studio (Level 1):

175m²

General Description: Shared work space for up to 8 artists with good daylight access Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Small, secure storeroom to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes: Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required Plaster traps to sinks

Relationship Adjacencies: Single artist studio, amenities, breakout/lounge



25m²

4.3

Photography / New Media Studio (Level 2):

General Description: Work space for photography Good daylight access with provision for blackout blinds Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Small lockable storage area and screening room (which can be darkened if necessary) Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required

Relationship Adjacencies: Artist studios, amenities, breakout/lounge

4.4 Music Rehearsal Studio (Level 2):

General Description: Rehearsal space for up to 20 musicians with good daylight access Storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes: Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Suspended, acoustic plasterboard ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services: Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit music rehearsal function

Relationship Adjacencies: Music recording studio, amenities, breakout/lounge

200m²

100m²





DETAILED SPACE PROGRAM

Music Rehearsal Studio

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4.5 Music Recording Studio (Level 2):

General Description: Recording space for music Control booth to be included Storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.5m

Finishes:

Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls with acoustic lining Suspended, acoustic plasterboard ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit recording function

Relationship Adjacencies: Music rehearsal studio, amenities, breakout/lounge





Music Recording Studio



Caboolture Arts Hub

5.0 Support Spaces

5.1 Workshop Space (Level 2):

300m²

30m²

General Description:

The workshop space will primarily include the following functions:

- Set/prop construction
- The preparation area for any exhibits or events
 Screening and registration/processing area of incoming
- materials/artworks
- Staff work area for detailed restoration work on collection and exhibition materials

The workshop will include floor space for prepping objects, clean work area with a large prep table and a wet area with sink and bench space Built in lockable storage cupboards for supplies, equipment, etc to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m Double doors opposite lift

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, painted fibre cement internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling, Clear finished plywood joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework 3 phase power with earth leakage protection required Good ventilation/fume extraction system required Eye Wash Station and First Aid Station required Plaster trap to sinks Acoustic treatment of walls & ceiling

Relationship Adjacencies: Lift lobby, theatre rehearsal space, exhibition space

5.2 Amenities x 2 (Levels 1&2):

General Description: Male, female and unisex accessible facilities including wc, urinal, hand basin, hand dryer, etc to be centrally located on each floor for use by staff and visitors. Ceiling height approx. 2.4m

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Finishes:

Vitrified tile floor and walls, with painted plasterboard ceiling

Services: Building services/lighting to suit amenities function

Relationship Adjacencies: Breakout/lounge, meeting room, lift lobby

5.3 Workshop Office (Level 2):

General Description: Office for workshop staff Desk, chairs and storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Finishes: Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services: Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit office function

Relationship Adjacencies: Workshop space

5.4 Workshop Holding/Storage Space (Lower Ground): 90m²

General Description: Secure holding area for crated artworks and workshop supplies Located on lower ground floor level (below loading dock) Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes: Sealed concrete floor, painted concrete/blockwork internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services: Exposed ductwork/pipework

Relationship Adjacencies: Lift lobby, loading dock and workshop space (via lifts)





DETAILED SPACE PROGRAM

Workshop Space





INDICATIVE FLOOR PLANS LOWER GROUND LEVEL



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INDICATIVE FLOOR PLANS GROUND FLOOR





INDICATIVE FLOOR PLANS COMMUNITY FACILITIES FLOOR (LEVEL 1)













INDICATIVE SECTIONS PODIUM SECTIONS



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Ground 🗸

INDICATIVE 3D PERSPECTIVES STREET LEVEL PERSPECTIVES





ATCHISON STREET LOOKING SOUTH EAST



ATCHISON STREET LOOKING SOUTH WEST

INDICATIVE 3D PERSPECTIVES ARTS CENTRE LOBBY ENTRY







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