**Accessible Arts Strategic Plan 2015 – 2017**

**Vision**

Excellence in arts + disability

 **Mission**

To provide leadership in arts + disability through information, advocacy and the facilitation of excellence in professional arts practice.

**Objectives and Strategies**

1. **Facilitate pathways to best practice and artistic excellence in professional arts + disability.**

1.1 Partner with high calibre arts organisations to facilitate the production of creative work by professional artists with disabilities.

1.2 Augment the capacity of artists with disability to practice as a professional artist.

1.3 Facilitate the further development of vocational arts practice environments through the support of networks and initiatives.

1.4 Nurture skills development across a range of artforms.

1.5 In partnership with performing, production and educational organisations, devise and facilitate creative projects designed to address identified gaps in creative development of artists with disability.

**2. Engage and communicate with artists, audiences and other stakeholders in pursuit of arts + disability excellence.**

2.1 Expand and enable the arts + disability sector through information sharing initiatives.

2.2 Strengthen networks that sustain the advancement of professional arts + disability practice.

2.3 Enable the sector to maximize the changing arts + disability landscape.

**3. Advocate and evaluate sector development across the continuum of arts + disability practice.**

3.1 Advocate and contribute to greater accessibility of creative spaces for artists and audiences with disability.

3.2 Build audiences through partnering with relevant organisations to showcase the vibrancy and distinctiveness of arts + disability practice in NSW and nationally.

3.3 In collaboration with relevant organisations, research and evaluate strategically determined topics to further inclusive and accessible arts + disability practice.

3.4 Develop and implement a benchmarking strategy to advance the standards of access to and professional artist arts practice.