

Arts and Creativity Invercargill



What is the project?

Arts and Creativity Invercargill will be an interactive art centre in the heart of the city. The centre will have a social space, an activity space, service areas as well as the traditional presentation gallery space. The art centre will not only be a place for enjoying other's artwork, but also for doing and creating your own.

Arts and Creativity Invercargill was originally planned to be sited in Wachner Place. However, given the scale of change in the City Centre, this may be an issue for Council to reconsider in the future.

Why is council undertaking this project?

This project was consulted on and included in the Long-term Plan in 2018. The community provided feedback on the importance of arts and culture to the city.

When would it be delivered?

The project is expected to be completed in 2022. This is a very busy time for construction in the city. The project has been scheduled to begin in 2027 in order to ensure that sufficient contractors are available to complete the project. The project will not commence until the completion of the Southland Museum and Art Gallery project. The project will be delivered by 2030.

How much will it cost?

The project will cost \$17.6 million. Council will seek \$3.5 million external funding for this project. Note: this reflects the forecast impact of inflation since the time the project was originally discussed.

How can I find more information?

<https://icc.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Arts-and-Creativity-Invercargill-Report-A2954771.pdf>

Note: this document does not include the latest figures accounting for inflation. Prior to implementation, the detailed scope may change from the plan laid out in this document.

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