

## Open Call for Proposals 2027/2028 One Wall Programme

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| <b>Applications open:</b>  | Tuesday 1 September 2026                                                                                                   |
| <b>Proposal workshop:</b>  | 5.30 - 7.30pm, Tuesday 15 September 2026<br><br>Via <a href="#">Zoom</a> meeting ID: 987 2175 5012 and<br>passcode: 783771 |
| <b>Applications close:</b> | 11.59pm, Wednesday 30 September 2026                                                                                       |

### **CoCA Toi Moroki Centre of Contemporary Art is proud to announce our One Wall Open Call for Proposals.**

This Open Call is for an exhibition opportunity beginning March 2027 for our annex wall outside our Ō Papa gallery, Ōtautahi Christchurch.

#### **CoCA's aim**

Our vision is to create a thriving home for art and culture in Waitaha, igniting connections between artists and community. CoCA is committed to upholding Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Te ao Māori values.

We support a diverse range of art practices and empower artists to create and share work with our Waitaha community, deepening connections to our place and our stories.

#### **About One Wall**

CoCA's [One Wall](#) project supports a cohort of emerging Waitaha artists to showcase their work on CoCA's annex wall.

One artist + one wall + one work enables a five weekly rotation of local artists with diverse practices to share one piece of work with our Ōtautahi community.

Artists are chosen by CoCA's volunteer artist-led Programming Group via an open call process.

CoCA's annex wall is in a prominent position within the gallery.

The programme provides positive exposure, and enables artists to connect with audiences and one another as a cohort.

## The programme

Key elements of this programme:

- Programme Launch and Slot 1 opening on the same date
- Consecutive openings will be intimate celebrations for an artist's close friends and family held on a Thursday night
- Professional development opportunity and artist support provided by CoCA team and Programming Group
- Two moderated artists talks as part of community engagement throughout the programme
- Production of exhibition booklet, containing information about the programme, each artist and artwork details

**Wall specs:** 2620mm (h) x 2320mm (w) and [images](#)

## Proposals should include:

### Project

- **One pdf** document outlining your project either in writing (400 - 750 words maximum) **OR** as an audio/audiovisual file (maximum five minutes long). This could include: a concept, art form, curatorial intention, or some discussion around the piece you would like to exhibit.
- Where appropriate, include one visual representation of the concept within the pdf document
- Any specific technical requirements

### Creative CV

- Examples of previous work (maximum 10 images).
- Artist/s biography or CV (maximum of 2-pages).

### Budget

CoCA Toi Moroki has a small exhibition budget that will cover an artist fee, small opening and marketing.

**Please label all files and images clearly:** with your name and project title, for example: "A.Smith One Wall"

**Please send proposals to:** [proposals@coca.org.nz](mailto:proposals@coca.org.nz) with the subject line 'One Wall Proposal'.

**Proposals close: 11.59pm, Wednesday 30 September 2026.**

## Notification

We will aim to notify the outcome of your proposal within six weeks of the closing date and can provide feedback if requested. All proposals received will be kept confidential.

## CoCA proposal support

Proposals are accepted in different formats. It's important to us that this process is accessible. Please contact the gallery if you need support with this process: [proposals@coca.org.nz](mailto:proposals@coca.org.nz)

## CoCA's programming contribution

For exhibiting artists, we can offer curatorial guidance, technical assistance, promotional and logistical support, and artist fees in alignment with [Arts Makers Aotearoa](#) guidelines.

## About CoCA

CoCA Toi Moroki Centre of Contemporary Art is a leading art gallery in Ōtautahi Christchurch, governed by the Canterbury Society of Arts Charitable Trust.

The gallery has a rich history of supporting the development of arts practitioners and serving the community since it was established more than 140 years ago.

CoCA is committed to cultivating a programme of free contemporary exhibitions and events that deepen community connections.

## About CoCA's programming

CoCA's programming is artist-led via an annual Open Call (rather than a curatorial model). A voluntary group of Waitaha-based artists from a range of disciplines select exhibitions for our One Wall cohort of artists.

To ensure equity of representation, our Programming Group changes on a regular basis. Any conflicts of interest are managed by members stepping off open call assessments.

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