**United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney**

**Visiting Fellowship in Creative Arts at Indiana University**

The United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney (http://ussc.edu.au/) invites applications for the above-named fellowship. The successful applicant would spend her/his time at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. (http://www.iu.edu/) during the period September-December 2015. The fellowship will be an award of US$10,000. In addition, the fellow will receive support from Indiana University in the form of housing and an office.

This fellowship is intended to support persons working in the creative arts, including (but not necessarily limited to) music, fine arts, film, theatre, design, creative writing, or literature. Preference will be given to those applicants who are not only accomplished scholars but who are also accomplished practitioners in their chosen field. The fellowship aims to support substantial progress toward the completion of a significant artistic project.

Our criteria for selecting the successful Fellow include:

* Demonstrated evidence of first-rate scholarly and artistic accomplishment in their field
* Relevance for conducting the applicant’s project in America and at Indiana University
* Likelihood the proposed project will see substantial progress toward completion during the fellowship period and will make a significant scholarly and/or artistic impact
* Willingness and ability to engage with peers at Indiana University and to openly share her or his knowledge and experience upon returning to Australia following the fellowship

We would expect the successful Creative Arts Fellow to hold at least one major seminar on their project during their period at Indiana University and to deliver a formal presentation about their work and their experience as a Fellow to the United States Studies Centre upon their return to Australia. All public works appearing which were completed in part with support from the fellowship should acknowledge the support of the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney Visiting Fellowship in Creative Arts at Indiana University. 

**Please note:** Indiana University’s Office of International Serviceswill assist the fellow by issuing U.S. Department of State Form DS-2019 upon invitation from the IU host department and receipt of pertinent information concerning the visitor.  Form DS-2019 will be used by the fellow to apply for a J-1 Exchange Visitor visa. IU’s Office of International Services will also assist by providing information concerning the visa process and maintenance of status requirements while in the United States.

The fellowship is unable to provide separate assistance for spouses or partners. The fellowship is open to Australian citizens resident in Australia. Successful applicants will be notified by January 2015.

To apply, please send the following materials electronically or by post by 15 December 2014 (email and postal addresses below):

* A three-page project proposal of not more than 1500 words which: (1) outlines the project to be undertaken and the specific work which would be accomplished during the period of the fellowship; (2) explains the relevance for conducting the work in America and at Indiana University; (3) explains the importance of the proposed work and its likely scholarly and/or artistic impact; (4) speaks to how the applicant intends to share her or his knowledge and outcomes of the fellowship’s work at Indiana University and in Australia; and (5) indicates the proposed length of stay at Indiana University.
* Work samples. Depending on the applicant’s artistic medium, this may be provided as individual digital images (no more than 5 images) or (for performance artists, for example) as a CD/DVD. For written work, please submit no more than three samples (i.e., journal articles, essays, abstracts and catalogues).
* A full curriculum vitae.
* The names, titles, and contact information for three referees.

Send these materials electronically to [ussc.applications@sydney.edu.au](mailto:ussc.applications@sydney.edu.au)

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