

Originate Games - Application Form 2024-25

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Essentials for completing your application

Please allow plenty of time to complete your application. It is important that you prepare adequately and set aside enough time to write your application.

Before you start your application:

- Read the [Guidelines](#) and VicScreen's [Terms of Trade](#).
- Review this online application form.
- Review the [Originate Games - Application Checklist](#)
- Read VicScreen's [Gender & Diversity Statement](#). VicScreen is committed to promoting and supporting gender equality, diversity and inclusiveness in the Victorian screen industry and requires applicants to demonstrate diversity and inclusion in their applications. We therefore expect that the diversity of your project's content is appropriately reflected in the creative team and/or that integrated and meaningful collaboration occurs from early stages of development. You must also consider whether your team has the right to include that content and whether the inclusion and expression of the content will be authentic.

If you have any submission questions, please contact the [Grants Officer](#) during business hours (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday).

Project title *

Eligibility

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Are you applying as an Individual (Sole Trader) or on behalf of a Company? *

☐ Individual (Sole Trader)

☐ Company

You can always update this prior to signing the contract if successful, but be aware this may cause delays. We recommend speaking to an accountant if you're unsure as to how best apply.

To be eligible for Originate Games as an individual, you must confirm you satisfy all of the criteria below.

Individual Eligibility: *

- ☐ I am an Australian citizen or Australian resident
- ☐ I am a Victorian resident and have resided in Victoria for the last 6 months
- ☐ I am not an employee of a broadcaster or broadcaster related entity

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☐ I am not an employee of an online content provider (video on demand and subscription video on demand)

☐ I own or control the rights to the project/s relevant to this application

☐ I am not an employee of a Federal or State government Screen Agency

You must confirm you satisfy all of the criteria above.

To be eligible for Originate Games as a company, you must confirm you satisfy at least one of the criteria below: *

Can you also confirm: *

☐ The company is incorporated in Australia

☐ The company (and any related entities) is not a broadcaster, subsidiary of or jointly owned by a broadcaster or its subsidiary or related to any broadcasting entity

☐ The company is not an online content provider (VOD, SVOD) subsidiary of, or jointly owned by an online content provider or its subsidiary, or related to any online content providing entity

☐ The company owns or controls the rights to the project/s relevant to this application

☐ The applicant (and any related entities) is not a Federal or State Government Screen Agency

You must confirm you satisfy all of the criteria above.

Project Eligibility

Project Eligibility: *

☐ Your project is an original digital game

☐ Your project is at the concept or early stage

☐ Your project is creatively driven by the applicant

☐ Your project is not under consideration for the Victorian Production Fund – Games

☐ Your project does not contain or have relationships to gambling, exploitative pay to-win-mechanics, play-to-earn mechanics, or high risk and volatile trading products or technologies

☐ Your project does not have significant Indigenous content without a key creative from an appropriate background

☐ Your project is not designed primarily for educational, training or simulation, research, marketing, or other business-to-business audiences or purposes

You must confirm you satisfy all of the criteria above.

Individual applicants

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Applicant name *

Title

First Name

Last Name

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ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN

Principal place of business (must not be a PO Box) *

Address

Must be an Australian post code

Postal address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Must be an Australian post code

Mobile *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Landline

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Website

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Must be a URL.

Twitter

Facebook

Instagram

Company applicants

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What is the name of this company principal? *

What is the name of the parent entity? *

This question is here because you ticked "yes" to the question 'the parent entity has been based in and operating out of Victoria for at least the last 6 months'

Company details

Applicant company name *

Organisation Name

ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

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ABN
Entity name
ABN status
Entity type
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DGR Endorsed

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ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN

Is this a sole director company? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Principal place of business (must not be a PO Box) *

Address

Must be an Australian post code

Postal address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Must be an Australian post code

Company Phone Number *

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Must be an Australian phone number.

Company Email Address *

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Must be an email address.

Accounts email *

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Must be an email address.

please list the appropriate email address to send financial emails to. This can be the same as the company email address if there is no separate address

Website *

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Must be a URL.

Twitter

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Facebook

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Instagram

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How many full time staff are directly employed by this company? *

Must be a number.

Where you have part-time staff, work out the equivalent based on full time hours

Contact person for this application

Contact person *

Title First Name Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Position within applicant company *

Contact mobile number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Contact landline

Must be an Australian phone number.

Contact email address *

Must be an email address.

Company signatory

For sole director companies, if you are successful in securing funding, VicScreen will require the company director or authorised officer to sign the funding agreement.

Please provide the following details for your company director, or authorised signatory for the company:

Company signatory *

Title First Name Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Position at applicant company *

Email *

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Must be an email address

Company Signatories

For companies with multiple directors, if you are successful in securing funding, VicScreen will require two signatories on the funding agreement.

Please provide the following details for two company directors, or authorised signatories for the company:

Company signatory one *

Title First Name Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Position at applicant company *

Email *

Must be an email address

Company signatory two *

Title First Name Last Name

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Position at applicant company *

Email *

Must be an email address

Project Details

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Please provide a single line description of the project. *

Short one or two sentence synopsis

Please provide a short outline/description of the project. *

Word count:

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Must be no more than 500 words.

If applicable, please describe how your project supports or enables you or members of your team, as emerging and/or established Victorian developers from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds and experiences.

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

If applicable, please describe how your project shows innovative approaches to game design and development.

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

If applicable, please describe how your project will deliver new approaches to audiences and experiences.

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Is the primary audience for this project children of any age? (preschool to end of high school) *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Who are the primary audience for this project? *

- ☐ Preschool children
- ☐ Children in early childhood (foundation year to year 3)
- ☐ Children in middle primary (years 4 and 5)
- ☐ Children in middle years (years 5 to 9)
- ☐ Children in senior years (year 10+)

Is your project a Children's 'P' or 'C' classification? *

- ☐ Yes, this is a Children's "P" classification project
- ☐ Yes, this is a Children's "C" classification project
- ☐ No, this is neither a Children's "P" or "C" classification project

Request to VicScreen

How much are you requesting from VicScreen for this stage? *

\$

Please note: You cannot receive funding for any costs not directly associated with early-stage concept or prototype development, including marketing, audience engagement, community management, or business development.

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Budget Spend in Victoria

How much is your total budget for this stage *

\$

Must be a whole dollar amount (no cents). Please note: This can be the same as your Request from VicScreen above.

How much of your total budget will be spent in Victoria? *

\$

Must be a whole dollar amount (no cents).

Project timeline

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Please provide an estimated timeline for this early stage development.

Your estimated start date should be the date you will begin work if successfully funded. VicScreen can not fund work that has already happened, so it should be after the contract is signed which normally takes up to three months from submission.

Your estimated end date should reflect the level of work you expect to undertake, but this can be modified at the contracting stage.

Estimated Start Date *

Must be a date.

Estimated End Date *

Must be a date.

Project team

* indicates a required field

Are you a sole developer (the only person developing this project)? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Team Summary

If you are applying as a sole developer, we recognize that you occasionally might hire additional services (e.g. asset creation, music, legal assistance etc) to assist with completing your game. Similarly for teams, you may require external services or the hiring of other people in order to complete your game. Please reflect these hiring estimates below if you expect that to be the case

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How many people normally work with your team/in your company? *

Must be a number.

How many people will be working on this specific project, including external contractors? *

Must be a number.

Of the people working on this project, how many are Victorian? *

Must be a number.

Of those people working on this project, how many are Regional Victorian? *

Must be a number.

Project Team Residency

Personnel, Contractors, and services should reflect the details in your accompanying documentation.

For Australian residents include the State; for overseas residents include the Country.

Key Personnel

What is the Residency status of Key Personnel on the Project?

Name:			Role	Residency State	Residency Country	Email
Title	First Name	Last Name				
				For Key Personnel residing in Australia	For Key Personnel residing abroad	Must be an email address.

External Contractors

What is the Victorian Residency status of external contractors on the project?

Name:	Role:	Residency State/Country

External Service Providers

What is the Residency status of external service providers on the project?

Service:	Residency State/Country

Mentorship

* indicates a required field

Please identify areas of your project or practice that could benefit from additional support or membership *

First Peoples Content

* indicates a required field

First Peoples content

First Peoples content can mean that your project:

- Is based on or includes First Peoples stories.
- Has First Peoples characters or focuses on a First Peoples community.
- Has First peoples communities or land as locations.
- Features representations of First Peoples culture, i.e. draws on or refers to First Peoples culture and heritage in any form.

VicScreen does not currently support projects with significant First Peoples' content without a member of the key creative team coming from an appropriate background.

Does your project contain First Peoples content? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

First Peoples Content Statement *

Attach a file:

Evidence of First Peoples consultation, where available

Attach a file:

Evidence of First peoples consent, where available

Attach a file:

Copyright and ownership of intellectual property (IP)

* indicates a required field

Please select how the applicant owns the rights to this project: *

- ☐ This project is the applicant's original work and the applicant holds all relevant rights
- ☐ The applicant has acquired all relevant rights (select this option if you have acquired rights to an original screenplay or to another form of underlying work)
- ☐ This applicant does not hold relevant rights

Please provide details of why you don't hold the rights to this project: *

Does the applicant share copyright under a co-production arrangement? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Is this project based on an underlying work? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Title of underlying work *

Author of underlying work *

Title First Name Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Type of underlying work *

e.g. Novel, play etc.

Supporting Materials

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Please supply the necessary documentation for your stage of funding as outlined in the [Application Document Checklist](#). The documentation required is dependent on various factors related to your project. If you are unsure if a document is required for your application please contact a member of the games team.

Creative Materials / Project Documentation *

Attach a file:

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Project Budget *

Attach a file:

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Team Resumes *

Attach a file:

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Any additional support materials, including Letters of Intent or Support, confirmed funding, licensing or rights documentation

Attach a file:

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Feedback

We take your feedback very seriously. We would love to hear constructive feedback on the application form, process, and programs.

Data Collection

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VicScreen is collecting applicant company data for research and analysis purposes into industry size, change and growth. It may also be provided to nominated third party consultants and advisors for advice, review and evaluation purposes. This information will not be used in the assessment of your application.

How long has the Parent company been operating? *

How many full time employees do you have? *

How many part time employees do you have? *

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How many casual employees do you have? *

How many projects has the company released? *

Privacy statement and Applicant declaration

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How did you hear about this program? *

- ☐ VicScreen Website
- ☐ VicScreen eNewsletter
- ☐ VicScreen Social Media
- ☐ Through another organisation
- ☐ At a screen industry event
- ☐ From someone I know
- ☐ Other

Please specify:

Additional Comments (Optional)

Bring the action to your inbox! Join VicScreen's mailing list [here](#).

Applicant declaration

- The applicant declares that they have read and understood VicScreen's current program guidelines and terms of trade. The applicant agrees and acknowledges that VicScreen reserves the right to vary its guidelines and terms of trade without notice to the applicant from time to time.
- The applicant agrees and understands that funding decisions (including the amount of funding) are discretionary and the decision to approve or reject any funding application rests with VicScreen and/or the relevant Minister.
- The applicant warrants and represents that the information provided and all attachments are, to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief, true and correct

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and that it has not omitted any material information which would be required by VicScreen in relation to determining whether to approve funding of a project.

- The applicant undertakes to advise VicScreen in the event of any significant or material change to the proposed project or any supporting materials submitted regarding the project.
- The applicant warrants and represents that it owns or holds all relevant rights necessary to proceed with the proposed project outlined in this application and all materials supplied to VicScreen as part of this application will not infringe any third party's rights. The applicant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless VicScreen for and against any cost, loss, damage or expense suffered or incurred by VicScreen as a result of or arising from the use of the application and material.
- The applicant acknowledges and agrees that VicScreen may copy, store, adapt, change, edit and use, communicate and transmit any material supplied by applicants as part of this application in any media worldwide and may provide such material to nominated third party consultants and advisors for advice, review and evaluation purposes. We may also discuss your application with listed project investors/personnel for our business purposes
- You acknowledge and agree that you are submitting your personal information and VicScreen will collect this in accordance with its Privacy Policy at <https://vicscreen.vic.gov.au/legal/privacy>

Disclosure of project information

- You acknowledge and agree that if your application is successful, VicScreen may publish information about your project in Victorian Government media releases, on VicScreen's website, social media platforms, third party media channels (such as Youtube and Vimeo) or in VicScreen's e-newsletter for its promotional and publicity purposes only. This information may include your project's title, genre and synopsis, names and past credits of individuals comprising the key creative team and the amount of VicScreen's investment in the project.
- You acknowledge and agree that typing your name in this application form and submitting the form electronically will constitute signature by electronic communication under the *Electronic Transactions (Victoria) Act 2000* and related Acts.
- If the applicant is an individual, the individual must type their name on the form. If the applicant is a company, the authorised company officer must type their name on the form. By doing so, the authorised company officer warrants that he/she is authorised to sign this application form for and on behalf of the company.

Name of authorised signatory *

Title

First Name

Last Name

Date *

Must be a date

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