

Cultural Heritage Program

For Period Ending 30 June

Initiative	Comments	Budget
		2026 \$'000
Knowledge		
Research Projects	Commission experts to undertake research projects to address known gaps in the story of the Sunshine Coast.	25
Regional Digitisation Program.	Partnership project with museums, historical societies and Heritage Library to identify and digitise key heritage assets.	40
Arts and Heritage Database	Continued development of an arts and heritage database as a regional management tool and portal for digital access.	40
Knowledge Total		105
Conservation		
Heritage Advisory Services	Provide access to expert advice to assist in the practical conservation of heritage assets.	20
Heritage Incentives	Support an incentive scheme and program for the community.	20
Heritage Collection	Implementation of conservation priority recommendations for council's heritage collections.	25
Facility Management	Bankfoot House Heritage Precinct Operational and programming costs	98
Facility Management	Landsborough Museum Operational and programming costs	70
Conservation Total		233
Support		
Heritage Network and Community Development Program	Professional business and skills development and networking opportunities supporting regional heritage sector. Community education programs in heritage and conservation.	44
Grant program: Cultural Support Programs	Cultural heritage projects developed in collaboration with Kabi Kabi, Jinibara and DASSI peoples	28
Grant program: Events and Exhibitions program	Grants for community heritage organisations, focussing on public programs, events, and exhibitions.	25
Grant program: Collection Support program	Grants for community heritage organisations, supporting conservation treatments and improvements to storage.	25
Grant program: Community Partnership Funding Program	Support for core operational expenses for community heritage organisations	123
Signature Heritage Programs	Continue to support heritage related events, activities and programs to maximise community participation and involvement.	40
Open House Program	Signature cultural tourism program aiming to engage communities in significant contemporary and heritage places of the Sunshine Coast	18
Support Total		301
Communication		
Heritage Marketing	Develop internal and external marketing strategies to guide the promotion of the region's heritage, and raise appreciation and awareness within council and the general community.	58
Cultural Tourism	Support cultural heritage tourism opportunities and First Nations programs.	45
Heritage Calendar		-
Cultural Heritage Award	Formal partnership with USC to facilitate heritage education.	2
Youth Education	Providing a (paid) entry-level opportunity for young people, through an engaging experience within the heritage industry.	25
Interpretive Projects	Undertake engaging educational and interpretive works that support the understanding and visitor experience of our heritage, in association with community partners.	45
Interpretive Trails	Interpretive trails, interpretive signage, and digital projects in association with internal partners.	43
Communication Total		217
Other		
Heritage Futures Fund	Accumulative allocation to fund the delivery of heritage infrastructure projects as identified in Heritage Plan 2021-2031, Interpretive Space and Collection Store Feasibility Report, and the Regional Arts Infrastructure Framework.	730
Built Heritage Conservation Fund	Support for council owned, community leased, local or state heritage listed places.	88
Levy Administration Costs	Costs associated with resourcing Levy delivery requirements. Council Resolution (SM11/35); (OM21/113)	538
Other Total		1,357
Total Cultural Heritage Program		2,212

Arts Levy Program
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Initiative	Comments	Budget
		2026 \$'000
First Nations creative arts programming and strategy development	Deliver First Nations Arts Strategy in collaboration with University of Sunshine Coast	55
Creative Industries Competitive Grants Program	Creative Industries Investment Programs	150
Creative Business Development	Refinery incubator program via Sunshine Coast Creative Alliance	55
Business Development - Sponsorship and Fundraising	Deliver Fundraising Campaign for new Sunshine Coast Gallery of Arts and seek corporate sponsorship for projects and programs	75
Regional Gallery Silver Anniversary	Deliver Programming above normal Calendar to celebrate 25th Anniversary	30
Develop a culture of Arts Philanthropy	via program delivery of SCAF	70
ArtsCoast Destination marketing	Undertake Tourism marketing and campaigns to build arts audiences both local and visiting at national/global levels	70
Cultural Olympiad futures fund	Restricted funds to support the delivery of a cultural offer for the 2032 program.	158
Horizon Festival	To deliver Horizon Festival 2026 noting significant increases in delivery Costs	285
Total Arts Levy Program		948