



Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Hunter Writers Centre is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to engaging, educating, and employing aspiring and established writers and other creatives in the Hunter Region of New South Wales and nationally throughout Australia.

This Strategic Plan outlines our purpose, vision, values, and major goals for the period 2022-2025 and will be reassessed by the Board every 6 to 12 months.

Why We're Here – Our Purpose

We nurture, empower, and amplify the writing culture of the Hunter Region.

What We Want to Be – Our Vision

We aim to be a guiding light for collaboration within the creative arts, with a focus on storytelling.

Who We Are - Our Values

Inclusion – A diverse, inclusive and culturally safe arts and cultural sector dispels bias and builds respect, trust and tolerance.

Advocacy – Hunter Writers Centre prides itself on brokering a range of opportunities for writers and other creatives.

Innovation – Hunter Writers Centre invigorates the local and national artistic community in ways that are new, different, inspiring and challenging.

Resilience – We will learn from the past and transition to the new future.

Goals

1. Service HWC Members with diverse programs across the Hunter region
2. Ensure all programs prioritise equity, diversity and inclusion
3. Capture the voices and stories of our region
4. Be a leader in arts and culture in Australia
5. COVID-Recovery: Digital, Hybrid, Collaborative. Learn from the past, transition to a new future.

Strategies

Service Members: writing groups, resources, courses, publishing opportunities

Deliver national writing awards: Newcastle Poetry Prize, Newcastle Short Story Award, Grieve

Publish the best of Australian writing: annual anthologies of the best of Australian poets, writers, essayists.

Support the region's unique arts, culture and tourism via Lighthouse Arts on Nobbys-Whibayganba headland

Secure funding from diverse sources: grants, philanthropy and sponsorship

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