



National Arts Council's Research Priorities (2018-2022)

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Role of Research and Desired Outcomes for Arts Research

Research

Provide robust empirical evidence on the Singapore arts and cultural landscape for policy and programme development

NAC

Support formulation, implementation and review of policies and strategies, including research that contributes to the development of the arts and culture sector

Desired Outcomes in 2022

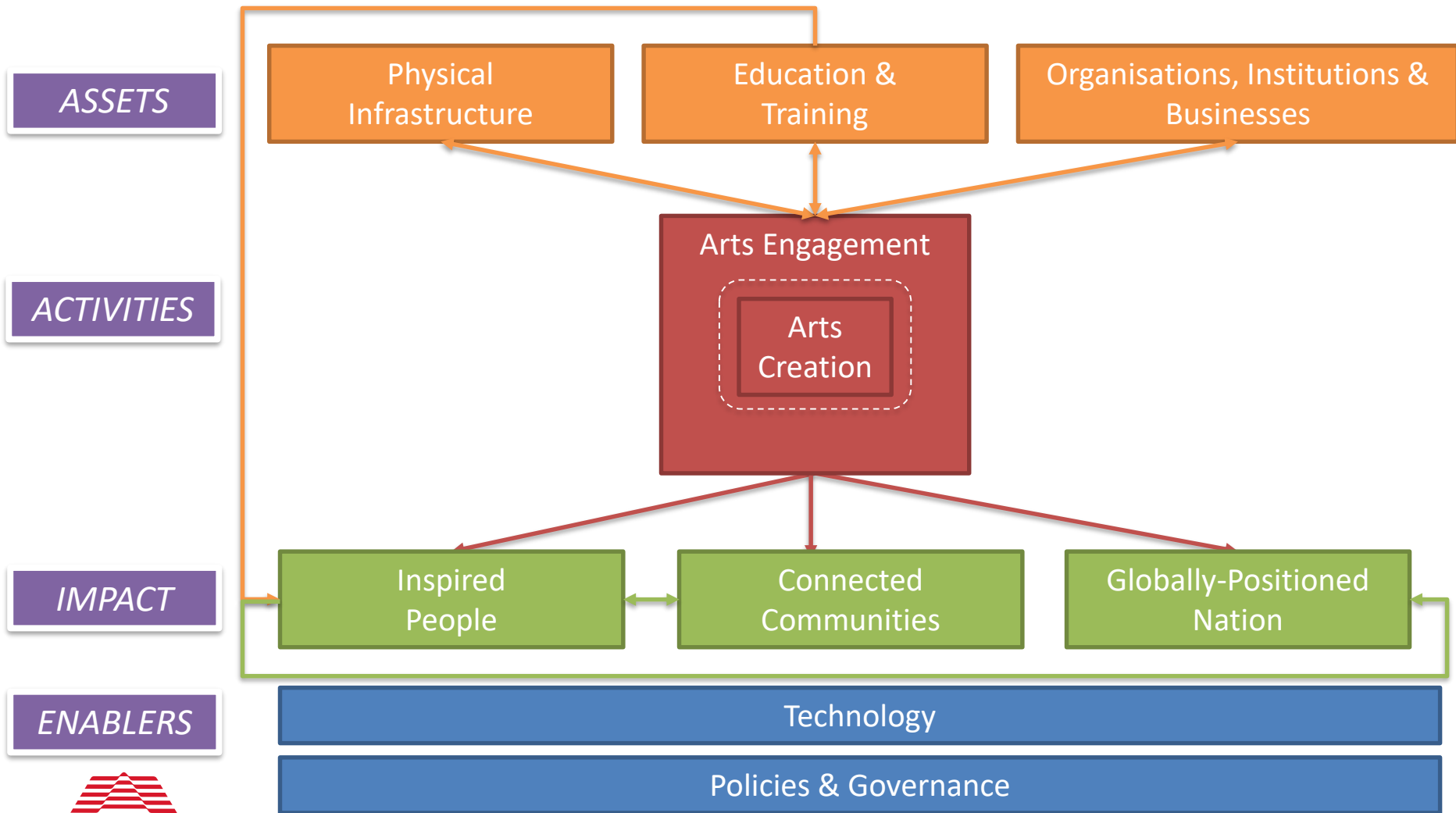
1. Empirical evidence to guide policy and programme development

2. Research and documentation of artistic processes of Singapore artists to deepen artistic practice, and project Singapore globally

3. Building of research and data analytics capabilities in the arts and culture sector



A Schematic to Identify Research Gaps: ASSETS, ACTIVITIES, IMPACT



Research Priority Areas as articulated in the Research Annex of *Our SG Arts Plan*

Immediate

1. Measuring the impact of the arts on people, communities and spaces
2. Understanding and growing audiences
3. Assessing the adequacy of infrastructural, human and organisational assets needed to drive the development of our arts scene
4. Arts and technology
5. Supporting and promoting excellence in the arts sector



Avenues for funding for research projects

NAC's Research Grant

- I. Supports research aligned to priority areas as articulated in Our SG Arts Plan, and in accordance with assessment criteria:
 - i. Impact of research
 - ii. Objectives and methodology
 - iii. Capacity to execute the project
 - iv. Budget
 - v. Dissemination of findings

2. Grant Tiers (per FY)
 - i. Up to **\$50,000 for individuals**
 - ii. Up to **\$100,000 for organisations**
 - iii. Projects may span over 2 FYs and grant may support up to 100% of qualifying costs

Application Timeline

15 May 2019	Application deadline
15 September 2019	Results announced
31 October 2019	Projects to commence



Avenues for funding for research projects

Social Science Research Council Thematic Grant

- I. Available to listed research institutions, including joint submissions:
 - i. NUS
 - ii. NTU
 - iii. SMU
 - iv. SUTD
 - v. SIT
 - vi. SUSS
 - vii. ISEAS
2. Grant Tiers
 - i. **Type A** – Smaller-scale investigator-led research in areas of strategic relevance (\$100k to \$1m for up to 3 years)
 - ii. **Type B** – More ambitious in scale, interdisciplinary or cross-cutting research (\$1m to \$10m over 3 – 5 years)

Application Timeline (projected)	
May – August 2019	Grant Call
August – October 2019	External Peer Reviews
November 2019	Stage 1: Evaluation by Expert Panel
February 2019	Stage 2: Evaluation by SSRC
March – April 2020	Announcement of results





Thank you!