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## YOUNG ARTISTS GO DIGITAL WITH FLYING ARTS AT THE EDGE

Young Queensland artists are invited to participate in this year's innovative ArtizDIGITAL @theEdgeQLD program proudly coordinated by Flying Arts Alliance Inc. The young artist development experience has residential and day participant options. A number of travel subsidies are also available to remote and regional students, allowing a greater number of participants from around the state to attend.

Flying Arts' Artiz program has been providing opportunities for young artists aged 14-18 to develop their skills and interest in the arts for over a decade. Now in its third year, ArtizDIGITAL will be delivered at The Edge, State Library of Queensland. Students will explore new areas of critical artistic practice, learn new skills and experiment with fresh approaches to art making.

Delivered by world-class facilitators, the program will allow students to engage with experiential and practical workshops investigating four separate areas of emerging practice. Workshops will include new media sculpture, electronics for fashion, creation of textiles from tea, and utilization of recycled materials to create rich sculptural forms.

Feedback from previous participants has been overwhelmingly positive. "The workshops were amazing. I have learned so many new things regarding the application of technology and art," said one student.

Flying Arts Executive Officer Kerryanne Farrer is thrilled to see Flying Arts continue the program into this year, with continued accessibility for participants from all across the state. "Students from rural and regional areas in particular may never get the chance to engage with such cutting-edge technology and innovative methods of art making without ArtizDIGITAL. We're pleased to be able to offer this opportunity to expand their practice and explore their career options for the future."

The program will run from 29 June – 1 July with options to register as either a day or fully supervised residential participant. Places are limited. Registrations close 5pm, June 10.

For more information and to register, please visit http://flyingarts.org.au/whats-on/artizdigital/.

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