NZ Media Fund: July 2018 round



Information for funding applicants - Scripted and Factual

A. Purpose

This round information is for producers intending to make a funding application to the Scripted or Factual streams of the NZ Media Fund for the July round. It should be read alongside the General Guidelines for Scripted and Factual funding applicants.

B. Introduction

NZ On Air's funding strategy is founded on core public media principles. These include enriching the New Zealand cultural experience, improving diversity of media content in many forms, ensuring content is accessible, strengthening community life, and promoting informed debate. Our publicly-funded content may entertain and it will add cultural value.

For more detail on the strategy underpinning the NZ Media Fund please read the <u>Funding Strategy</u>.

The information and expectations document which we provide to assist commissioning platforms can be read here.

Here are the <u>funding round deadlines</u> for 2018.

C. July funding round priorities and timeline

The July round is for applications to the **Factual** and **Scripted** funding streams intended for a **general** audience. Applications for projects intended for targeted audiences (with the exception of regional media) will not be considered – these will be considered in the September round (deadline 9 August).



Factual genres that are prioritised for this round include Documentary, Information, Events

NB: Children's and Current Affairs projects will not be considered in this round.

Information regarding regional media applications will be released on Monday 14 May.

In order to ensure funding is available to later funding rounds, the maximum level of Factual funding likely to be committed in July is up to \$11m.



Scripted includes Drama and Comedy, either series or one-off.

NZ On Air has released a new <u>Scripted Roadmap</u> that provides broad information on our approach to allocating production funding for drama and comedy projects.

NB: Children's scripted projects will not be considered in this round

Timeline:

11 May 2018, 9am	Funding round opens.
	All applications must be made through <i>Eric</i> , NZ On Air's online application system. Applications not submitted through this system will not be accepted.
31 May 2018, 4pm	Application deadline. Round closes.
	Late applications will not be considered. In exceptional circumstances, for time-sensitive projects agreed prior by the Head of Funding, we may consider an out of time application. But we won't be generous.
19 July 2018	Applicants notified. This date may be extended at NZ On Air's sole discretion.