



Well ... 2020 was shit, thank god that's over. A huge congratulations to you, whether you graduated high school in the midst of a pandemic or survived a year stuck at home with your family. We've made it through, and you're ready and eager for all that university has to offer.

Without a doubt, the BEST possible way of jumping into this new world is Arts Camp. You'll bond with 100+ other keen first year Campers, experience life as part of UniMelb's largest student society, and make memories you'll never want to forget (or won't be able to remember...). Arts Camp helps you ease into university life, and gives you a huge score of friendly faces to recognise across campus (y'know, once everyone is back on campus). You'll create memories that are **literally** only possible to make right now, as a first year. Don't pass up the chance to come on Arts Camp; places are strictly limited, and we don't want you to carry around the burden of regret for the rest of your life.

**WHO:** 18+ First year University of Melbourne students from *any undergraduate degree*

**WHEN:** Friday 12th - Sunday 14th March 2021

**WHERE:** Coonawarra Farm Resort, Glenaladale VIC

**HOW MUCH:** \$260 all-inclusive (food, accommodation, transport, t-shirt, alcohol, friends, fun, and so much more)

Across two nights and three days, you'll be split into teams led by 2 M-ASS Leaders who will ensure you have the time of your life. There are fun challenges, team games, swims in the lake, morning yoga, and two costumed parties to dance well into the night (and the next morning). What more are you waiting for? We can't wait to meet you!

In order to secure your place on Arts Camp, please follow the steps outlined below. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to message our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/mass.unimelb>), or email [artscamp2021@gmail.com](mailto:artscamp2021@gmail.com).

## HOW TO APPLY:

Places are filled on a first-come basis, so get your application in ASAP to secure your place!

1. Download and read the Arts Camp Information Pack (this document!).
2. Fill out the M-ASS Membership form at <https://mass.getqpay.com/>. This is \$4 for the entire year, and gets you access to our free fortnightly BBQs, cheaper tickets to our parties, free educational events, member only opportunities and discounts, and more.
3. Download and fill out **BOTH** the Camper Information Form and the Participant Information Form. Attach both of them in an email to [artscamp2021@gmail.com](mailto:artscamp2021@gmail.com) with the subject line: "Last Name, First Name CAMP".
4. Payment! Transfer the sum of \$260 to the nominated bank account:  
Name: M-ASS  
BSB: 083-170  
Account Number: 63-089-2090  
Please use the description format: "Last Name, First Name CAMP"  
Please note this payment is non-refundable unless Camp has sold out, in which case you will be reimbursed immediately. Additional terms re: COVID apply, see FAQ.
5. We'll send you a confirmation message once we've double checked all steps have been completed, and you'll be added to the Arts Campers 2021 Facebook page. This page will be where we share all the important information in the lead up to Camp, but if you don't have Facebook, we'll email you instead.  
Please note, confirmation may take some time as we work through all the forms and confirming the information. Bear with us :~)

## **PACKING LIST:**

We provide transport, meals, accommodation, beverages, and fun; you bring the rest!

### Recommended

- ☐ Something you're happy to swim in
- ☐ Something you're happy to get dirty in
- ☐ Toiletries
- ☐ Towel
- ☐ Insect repellent (trust us)
- ☐ Panadol/Antihistamine (we legally can't supply these to you)
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Closed toed shoes
- ☐ Pillow
- ☐ Sleeping bag (and sheets/bedding, if that's what you're into)
- ☐ Snacks (**NO NUTS**, Coonawarra is a 100% nut-free camp)

### Optional

- ☐ Clothes (for two nights and three days)
- ☐ Dignity
- ☐ More snacks (to maybe share)

### Don't Pack

- ☐ Alcohol
- ☐ Drugs
- ☐ A bad attitude

Each night, we'll be running a fun themed party where we encourage you to go **HARD** on the costumes. We'll announce these themes in the lead up to Camp on the Facebook group, so keep an eye out for more details and suggestions.

## **BEFORE AND AFTER ARTS CAMP:**

Lug all your bags to University Square (just south of Grattan St) to meet us at **9am sharp** on Friday morning, where your team will be revealed, and you'll have your chance to meet all the other Campers (and Leaders). On Sunday, we expect to be back in Melbourne around 5pm, with buses dropping everyone off at 191 Bouverie St, Carlton (right next to University Square).

That's it. That's the tweet.

ARTS CAMP EVENT: <https://fb.me/e/1QZQOU4W9>  
M-ASS FACEBOOK PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/mass.unimelb>  
WEBSITE: <https://www.m-ass.org/>  
INSTAGRAM: @m.ass <https://www.instagram.com/m.ass/>  
TIKTOK: @artieprime <https://vm.tiktok.com/ZSEkNWdT/>

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for all our other Orientation events. Most of them will be online, unfortunately, but a little birdie told me that O-Week Party is coming VERY soon 😎😎 Facebook is the best way to learn more about our BBQs, parties, pub nights, education events, and more throughout the year, so follow us to stay in the loop!

M-ASS has zero tolerance for sexual assault and sexual harassment and attendees of this event will be expected to abide by the [code of conduct](#) outlined by the University: Respect Now Always.

### **FAQs:**

#### *Can I bring drugs on camp?*

Absolutely not, I'm amazed you'd even ask. We have a strict zero tolerance policy, and if anyone is found in possession or under the influence of drugs, their parent/guardian will be contacted, and they will be driven to the nearest station to catch a train home.

#### *Do I have to bring my own alcohol?*

Nope! We're providing for everyone, which means **NO BYO ALLOWED**. We'll have to check your bags prior to getting on the buses! Don't worry about bringing backups, we'll have more than enough alcohol to go around.

#### *Can I bring glass on camp?*

Also a no. We're providing all the drinks (non-alcoholic and alcoholic), so there's no need to bring any glass, or any alcohol at all.

#### *Is there reception at Camp?*

Another no. Zero reception. No Snapchat, no Instagram, no Tinder. One of our favourite things about Arts Camp is being off-the-grid, and enjoying the weekend with your new best friends - it's super refreshing! In the case of emergencies, there is a phone line connected through the office, that your Leader team will have access to.

#### *Alcohol is not my vibe, do I have to drink?*

That's a no. While there are opportunities to drink, there's plenty to do for drinkers and non-drinkers alike, and every year we have non-drinkers who have a fab time. Plus, you'll get to wake up without a hangover.

#### *Will I miss any university classes?*

Sadly (or not sadly at all), yes you might. We depart on Friday of Week 2 and are back on Sunday, so it's only one potential day to miss out on. You'll be able to catch up on any lectures online, and most tutorial classes only begin in Week 2 anyways, so you'll probably just miss the icebreakers. Most tutorial classes only have a 75-80% attendance requirement, so you can easily miss a class or two without jeopardising your WAM.

*Is Arts Camp a COVID Safe Event?*

Yes, we are committed to running a safe camp for all involved. We will be following Coonawarra's COVID plan, which has been revised in accordance with the DHHS' guidelines, as well as adhering to our own approved by the Clubs & Societies department of UMSU. A copy of both of these plans is available upon request. By attending Arts Camp, you acknowledge that while the venue and M-ASS have taken all reasonable health and safety precautions to keep everyone safe, you attend at your own risk without recourse to claim against the venue or M-ASS regarding health outcomes.

If you feel unwell, or have any symptoms like a fever, chills or sweat, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose or loss of sense of smell, please stay home and get tested, or call the University Health Service COVID-19 Hotline for assistance on 03 8344 6905. It is strongly recommended that you download and activate the Government's COVIDSafe app prior to attending this event.

If directed to isolate or quarantine over the course of this event by relevant health authorities, you must not attend Arts Camp. Refunds will be available if directed by authorities to quarantine/isolate over the dates of camp.

If it is not safe to run Arts Camp on the planned dates, it will be postponed to a later date in Semester 1. All tickets will be valid for the new date, and refunds will be available if you cannot make the alternate. More information will come if this comes to pass.