



## NIDA's Bequest program

NIDA gives thanks to all those who leave a bequest to our organisation. The testimonials below are shared to demonstrate the impact your generous gift can have for our students, our organisation and for Australia's creative future.

### Nicholas Enright AM left a Bequest to NIDA

Nicholas Enright AM (1950–2003) was a much loved actor, director, playwright, teacher and mentor. He was NIDA's Head of Acting 1983–84.

Nick bequeathed part of his estate to NIDA, along with his many awards, which are proudly displayed in the NIDA Theatres foyer.

*I believe that we are losing sight of the value and dignity of the actor in our society, and the importance of continuity, tradition and experience in this most ancient and essential art form. To paraphrase Hazlitt, the actor shows us who we are, who we hope to be, and who we fear we may be.*

**Nick Enright AM, Rex Cramphorn Lecture 2002**

### Associate Professor Ross Steele AM has advised NIDA of his intention to leave a Bequest to NIDA.

Professor Ross Steele AM is Honorary Associate Professor of French in the School of Languages and Cultures at the University of Sydney. He has been actively involved in a wide range of arts-related organisations and honoured for his service to culture and the arts. He is a long-time supporter of NIDA's students through the Bursary program and has been a member of the NIDA Academic Board since 2004.

*Supporting the creativity of NIDA's talented students will ensure a dynamic future for Australian culture as well as giving the donors personal fulfilment.*

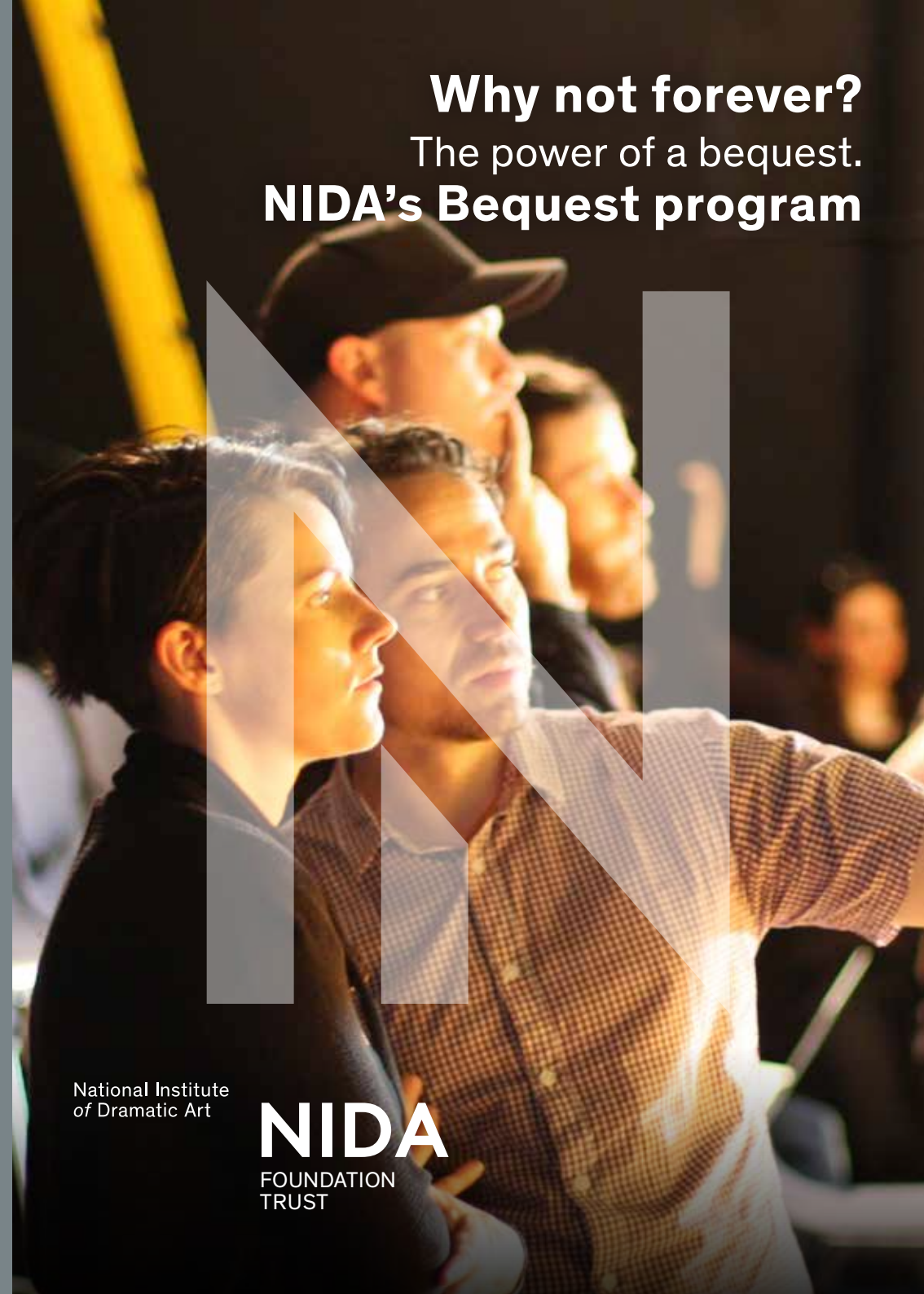
**Associate Professor Ross Steele AM**

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# Why not forever?

The power of a bequest.

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National Institute  
of Dramatic Art

**NIDA**  
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## Fostering Australia's creative future.

Making a bequest to NIDA in your Will is one of the greatest gifts you can give. It empowers our artists and creative professionals to transform the cultural life of our nation and drive innovation across the international arts and entertainment industry.

NIDA is Australia's leading national institute for education and training in the dramatic arts. As a not-for-profit, less than half of our annual revenue comes from the government.

We are committed to education and training that is characterised by quality, diversity, innovation, and equity of access. Our focus is on practice-based teaching and learning which is designed to provide the strongest foundations for graduate employment across a broad range of career opportunities and contexts.

### Have a question?

For more information on how to support NIDA, contact Lisa Hamilton, Senior Manager Philanthropy on 02 9697 7594 or email at [lisa.hamilton@nida.edu.au](mailto:lisa.hamilton@nida.edu.au)

### What is a bequest?

A bequest is a gift in one's Will that is left to a specific beneficiary. Creating a Will ensures that your wishes are respected and that those you ultimately want to benefit will receive your support.

All bequests to NIDA are held within a permanent Endowment Fund, managed by the NIDA Foundation Trust to support the long-term vision and viability of NIDA. Distributions from the Endowment Fund go to support important activities and projects such as:

- Scholarships and bursaries for NIDA students
- International secondments and placements for NIDA students
- Commissioning of new plays and play productions
- Equipment and resources for NIDA
- Enhancing and developing technological capabilities
- Enabling and sustaining capital infrastructure

### How do I make a bequest?

You should speak to your legal advisor who can advise you on how to prepare a Will to incorporate your wishes, or you may add a codicil to an existing Will to include NIDA.

We are happy to confer, prior to Will creation, to ensure that any conditions are relevant, useful and enduring. Bequests can be made in a number of ways, including:

- A specific asset (shares, property, jewellery, art etc)
- A specified sum of money
- A portion or percentage of an estate
- A life insurance policy

## Leaving a bequest to NIDA

Bequests can be left unencumbered to be used by NIDA as deemed appropriate by the NIDA Foundation Trust Directors.

The following clause is intended as a guide only for consideration and may assist your legal advisor in the preparation of your Will.

'I give to the NIDA Foundation Trust ABN 19 508 938 522 (*Specific amount or percentage of estate or describe property or other assets*) for use and benefit of NIDA for its general purposes and I direct that a receipt from the NIDA Foundation Trust shall be sufficient discharge of such a gift.'

Should you prefer that your gift be directed to a specific program, activity or aspect of our operations, we will be delighted to speak to you. Please see contact details below.

We thank you for your interest in making a bequest to NIDA, and assure you that your privacy and wishes will be given the utmost respect.

- I would like to advise NIDA that I have made a bequest or intend to make a bequest to NIDA
- I would like to be contacted in order to obtain further information about making a bequest to NIDA

Name

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