# YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAM 2021 – 2022

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#### **INTRODUCING: THE MINUS 18 YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAM**

The Young Leaders Program is for LGBTQIA+ young people, aged 18-25 years old. The program will run for 10 months, with sessions designed to develop the skills, confidence and experience to inspire the next generation of LGBTQIA+ youth, while playing a starring role in Minus18's life-affirming events.

We're looking for 20 enthusiastic young leaders to take part in our Melbourne-based program, launching October 2021.

#### **ABOUT MINUS18**

Minus18 is Australia's charity improving the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth. We support LGBTQIA+ young people through events and digital platforms, and provide fee for service LGBTQIA+ inclusion training to schools, businesses and community organisations. Since 2011 over 100,000 young people have engaged in these services across Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide, and millions more via digital platforms.

#### MINUS18 YOUTH & EVENTS TEAM



THEY/THEM PROGRAM COORDINATOR





## **PROGRAM DETAILS**

Who	We're recruiting 20 x LGBTQIA+ young people aged 18 - 25	
Duration	10 months	
Sessions	Each session, or 'QLab' will be between 1-2 hours fortnightly on Thursdays (between 4-7PM pending the individual session) and occasional weekend availability for Minus18 Events. To ensure Young Leaders get the most out of the program, we require a 90% attendance rate in order to graduate.	
Outcomes	» Strengthen professional and persona	l development
	» Foster pathways into further volunteer and employment opportunities	
	» Strengthen connection to the LGBTQI	A+ community and sector
Location	Minus18 Office, at the Victorian Pride Centre, 79-81 Fitzroy St, St Kilda VIC Additionally, this role will include some engagement at Minus18's Melbourne- based events. Pending COVID-19 restrictions, some QLabs may be delivered online.	
Start Date	October 2021	
Timing	Standard QLab times will be 2 hours, and fall somewhere between 4pm - 7pm, pending confirmed availability of successful candidates. Minus18 event times may vary.	
Appreciation	Young Leaders will be thanked with a \$50 honorarium after attending each scheduled QLab Session or Event to cover costs associated with your involvement	
Access	This role will primarily be located at the Victorian Pride Centre in St Kilda; an exciting, purpose-built space for LGBTQIA+ community organisations opening in 2021. This space includes:	
	» A raised Tram Stop within 100m from the building entrance. » All Gender bathrooms	<ul> <li>» Elevators and accessible bathrooms</li> <li>» End of trip facilities.</li> <li>» Dedicated prayer rooms.</li> </ul>
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## YOU SHOULD APPLY IF YOU ARE:

- » Available across the QLabs and event dates
- » Looking to grow your personal leadership skills as an LGBTQIA+ young person
- Willing to engage with and develop leadership skills and confidence
- » A good communicator and works collaboratively
- Passionate about helping LGBTQIA+ youth through programs and events

# WHAT YOU'LL BE DOING IN THE PROGRAM

# **1. TRAINING & UPSKILLING**

This pillar is all about you and your development as a leader. We'll design QLABs that provide you with the opportunity to understand and find confidence with your own leadership style, to build on the skills you have, and learn more about leadership in the LGBTQIA+ sector.

We'll explore things like:

- How can I make spaces more inclusive, and why is that important?
- What does safe and effective LGBTQIA+ advocacy look like?
- How do I safely share my experience as a queer person? (at work, at home, wherever!)

These QLABs will be guided by Minus18 staff and feature special guests from the LGBTQIA+ community who are leaders within their field.

# **2. CREATION & IMPLEMENTATION**

This is where you'll get to be part of the team that delivers Minus18's life-affirming in-person and digital youth events. You'll work with the Minus18 Event Coordinator to provide on-theground support at events, and implement those leadership skills that you'll be working on within the program!

Events include:

- Melbourne Queer Formal
- Midsumma Youth Dance Party
- Queer Crafternoon & Pride March
- Other digital event offerings
- + you'll work as a team to deliver an event designed by the Young Leaders!



# **3. SOCIALISING & CONNECTING**

This is your chance to connect with the community. While there will be plenty of time to upskill and learn from expert guests, we will also provide you with the opportunity to connect with others in the Young Leaders program through interactive and fun social QLABs.

We'll mainly be based at the Victorian Pride Centre, so there'll be lots of chances to connect with LGBTQIA+ services located there too!

# **KEY PROGRAM DATES**

OCTOBER '21	THURSDAY 21 OCT Young Leaders Program Launch
NOVEMBER '21	THURSDAY 4 NOVLGBTQIA+ Inclusion WorkshopTHURSDAY 18 NOVWhat is Leadership?
DECEMBER '21	THURSDAY 2 DECIntroduction to Minus18 EventsTHURSDAY 15 DECEnd of Year Social Session
JANUARY '22	THURSDAY 20 JAN Queer Crafternoon 🔶 THURSDAY 27 JAN Midsumma Youth Party Event Briefing SATURDAY 29 JAN Midsumma Youth Party 🔶
FEBRUARY '22	SUNDAY 6 FEB Midsumma Pride March 🜟 THURSDAY 17 FEB Safe Storytelling
MARCH '22	THURSDAY 10 MAR Young Leader Event Preparation THURSDAY 24 MAR Choose Your Own Adventure: You Decide!
APRIL '22	THURSDAY 7 APR Youth Advocacy and Wellbeing
MAY '22	THURSDAY 5 MAY       Young Leader Event Final Preparation         SATURDAY 21 MAY       Young Leader Event +
JUNE '22	THURSDAY 2 JUNQueer History LessonTHURSDAY 16 JUNInclusive Queer SpacesTHURSDAY 30 JUNMelbourne Queer Formal Event Briefing
JULY '22	SATURDAY 2 JUL       Queer Formal Melbourne ★         THURSDAY 14 JUL       Social Session         THURSDAY 28 JUL       Program Graduation & Appreciation



# HOW TO APPLY

### INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for this role, please complete the following

- » Complete Google Form <a href="https://forms.gle/YdZNWp8dgThBLvcM6">https://forms.gle/YdZNWp8dgThBLvcM6</a>
- » Include a short, pre-recorded video (maximum 2 minutes) introducing yourself, and what you're hoping to get out of Minus18's Young Leaders Program

Please ensure your video is uploaded to a 3rd party service (such as YouTube, Dropbox etc) and shared via URL pasted into the relevant section on your Google Form.

APPLICATION CLOSE

#### SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER, 12AM

Early applications are highly encouraged

#### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- » We'll review all the applications and create a shortlist for interviews
- » Shortlisted candidates will be involved in a small group interview with the team and other potential candidates. These will be conducted online. Interviews will take place across the Thursday, 30th September & Friday, 1st October
- » Successful candidates will be notified in early October

## **CHILD SAFETY**

Please note: all successful applications must undergo a successful Working with Children Check and Police Background Check.

Minus18 is committed to promoting and advancing equal opportunity for young people, especially young people in our strategic priority groups (People of Colour, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people, and people with culturally or linguistically diverse backgrounds). We encourage young people in our strategic priority groups to apply, and to let us know if any special assistance is required during the application process (including barriers to recording and uploading your video).



We have provided a significant amount of information about the role to support your application process.

Research shows that men apply to jobs when they meet an average of 60% of the criteria, while other genders (and other intersecting identities) tend to only apply when they check every box. If you think you have what it takes but don't meet every single criteria above, we would still love to hear from you.



### AUSTRALIA'S CHARITY IMPROVING THE LIVES OF LGBTQIA+ YOUTH

The Young Leaders Program is supported by







Our office is located on the land of the Wurundjeri and Boon Wurrung people. We acknowledge Australia's First People and Traditional Custodians of the lands this project took place. This always was and always will be Aboriginal land.



Our work wouldn't be possible if not for the tireless activism from the LGBTQIA+ heroes who have come before us. Their advocacy and protests have pathed the way for Minus18 — we stand on the shoulders of giants.