Imelda Rivers

Imelda Rivers is Manager—Arts and Cultural Development with Country Arts SA where she contributes to state initiatives, partnerships, and strategic directions.

She has worked for over thirty years within major arts organisations, festivals, community arts and cultural organisations and regional arts. Imelda originally trained in the performing arts and then developed experience in the facilitation of community cultural development with diverse cultures, communities, and art forms. Imelda’s passion is collaborating with communities, artists, and organisations to realise their creativity and address issues of importance. She believes the arts play a significant role in wellbeing and vibrant and sustainable communities.

During 2010–2012 Imelda was a peer advisor/assessor on the national Australia Council, Community Partnerships Advisory Committee. She has been involved in a wide range of organisations, boards, committees and projects while working in collaboration with arts and other sectors. Imelda is program manager for Country Arts SA, Arts and Health initiatives.