

Tasmanian Youth Story

Unearthing the story of young Tasmanians 18-25 years.

Project Statement *Tasmanian Youth Story*

You are invited to participate in a research project to unearth the Tasmanian Youth Story. The project is being undertaken by the Youth Network of Tasmania (YNOT) in partnership with Brand Tasmania. The research team will consist of YNOT, Brand Tasmania and The20.

This information is for individuals who have asked to participate in the Tasmanian Youth Story project. The Project Statement should be read along with the Consent Form.

What is the Tasmanian Youth Story project about?

Every day, people are making decisions about Tasmania. They're launching projects and spending millions of dollars. We don't want them to do it without your input, the input of Tasmanians aged 18-25 years.

We know many of you have strong views on issues important to you, but have limited opportunities to connect with decision makers and influence public policy.

We don't see your organised letter campaigns in the newspaper, and few of you are managing political careers to influence public policy.

But this is your state, and as we seek to deepen the Tasmanian story, our cultural expression, and our shared plan for the future, we need to hear your stories, your experience of what it's like to be a young Tasmanian. What are you most proud of? Least proud of? What would break your heart if you had to leave Tasmania? What would lure you home?

We promise this will be a fun and authentic conversation. There is no way to prepare: you already have the answers. Tasmania will be fairer and finer when we understand what you want from it.

What does this project involve?

There are three phases to the Tasmanian Youth Story Project. Young people aged 18-25 years are invited to participate and will be remunerated (paid) \$100 for each phase of the project they participate in.

Phase One. Co-design workshop

The first phase will involve developing and informing the framework for our conversations. Up to 16 young people will be invited to participate in a one-off, 1.5 hr online workshop. The research team will lead activities and take notes on your participation. The meeting may be recorded to help with note-taking purposes and will not be shared publicly.



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Phase Two. One-on-one conversations (interviews)

The second phase of the project will involve one-on-one conversations (interviews) with young people. The interviews will be in person, by phone or online. The interviews should take around 1 hour. The research team will digitally record your conversation (audio only) to assist with notetaking. On request, the team can provide a copy of your notes or transcript.

Phase Three. Youth Story workshops

The final phase of the project will involve regional group workshops to refine and test the Tasmanian Youth Story. The small group workshop will provide an opportunity for young people to inform the final Story and discuss how the research will be used. Workshops will take around 1.5-2 hours. The research team will take notes based on your participation.

Your participation is voluntary.

It is important that you understand your participation in the project is voluntary. You have the right to participate and to withdraw from the project at any time. If you do decide to withdraw from the project, you are not required to give an explanation as to why.

All information about you will be held in-confidence and will not be made public unless you consent to be personally identified. All identifying data will be kept securely by the research team until the project is concluded. Following the project, data will be securely stored by YNOT and Brand Tasmania in accordance with obligations set by the Personal Information Protection Act (TAS) 2004.

What will happen to the feedback provided?

Conversations and discussions from all three phases of the project will be used to create the Tasmanian Youth Story. This will be shared with the Tasmanian Government, decision-makers and the broader Tasmanian community. All feedback will be anonymous. Quotes may be used, but you will not be personally identified by participating unless you give permission to do so. YNOT will keep your contact details on file so that we can share with you any results and outcomes from participating in the project.

What if I have any further questions?

If you would like to discuss the project, please feel free to contact:

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If you have any complaints or concerns about this project, please contact YNOT CEO Tania Hunt at 0427 466 189 or ceo@ynot.org.au.