# 2025 Ashburton Art Awards Terms and Conditions

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## Key Dates

* Entries Open | 9:00am Saturday, 1 March
* Online Entries Close | 11:55pm Tuesday, 1 July
* Artwork to be delivered to your local Library | To be confirmed
* Awards Night | Friday, 1 August
* Exhibition dates | First two weeks in August
* Artist to collect their artworks from local Library | To be confirmed

## Eligibility

* All entrants must be current residents living within the Shire of Ashburton (Onslow, Paraburdoo, Pannawonica, Tom Price), or the neighbouring First Nations Communities. Residents are not allowed to enter on behalf of someone outside of the Shire of Ashburton.
* Artworks received that do not comply in full of the details included in the corresponding entry form will be excluded from the exhibition and awards.
* All entries are eligible for the People's Choice Award.
* Artworks will only be received during designated drop-off times.
* The artist will be responsible for immediate collection after the Exhibition.
* Entries that exceed the recommended size and weight will be deemed ineligible.
* The Shire of Ashburton reserves the right not to exhibit artwork for the exhibition if deemed unsuitable or containing any offensive material.
* Entries that fail to provide an appropriate hanging device as outlined in this document may be excluded from the Exhibition and Awards.
* Artists submitting to the Youth Category must be between 10 and 17 years of age.
* The Shire of Ashburton reserves the right to reallocate artwork to a different category if deemed necessary.

## Categories

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| **Category** | **First Place Prize** | **Highly Commended** | **Notes** |
| Youth | $1000 | $500 | This category is designed to celebrate the creativity and talent of young artists between the ages of 10 and 17. We encourage you to explore your imagination and express your unique perspective through any medium of your choice. Whether it's painting, drawing, sculpture, or digital art, we want to see your vision come to life. This is your opportunity to showcase your skills, share your stories and inspire others with your artistic journey. |
| Portrait | $1000 | $500 | In this category, artists are invited to create compelling portraits that capture the essence of their subjects through mediums other than photography. Whether through painting, drawing, or any other non-photographic medium, we seek works that convey personality, emotion, and depth. |
| Landscape | $1000 | $500 | This category invites artists to capture natural beauty and diverse scenery. Whether it's the rugged outback, serene coastlines, or lush greenery, we encourage you to showcase the landscapes that inspire you. |
| Open Category | $1000 | $500 | This category is for all other forms of artistic expression that do not fit into the specified categories. It provides a platform for creativity without boundaries, welcoming innovative and diverse artworks of any medium or style. |
| Photography | $1000 | $500 | This category celebrates the art of capturing moments through the lens. From stunning portraits to breathtaking landscapes, we welcome all forms of photographic expression. Show us your unique perspective and the beauty you see through your camera. |

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| Your Ashburton Town | $1000 | $500 | This special category focuses on and represents the unique character and spirit of the towns within the Shire of Ashburton; Onslow, Pannawonica, Paraburdoo and Tom Price. We invite artists to depict scenes, landmarks, and moments that represent the heart of their community. |
| First Nations | $1000 | $500 | This category is open to artworks created by First Nations artists. We welcome all forms of artistic expression, celebrating the creativity and perspectives of Indigenous communities. This is an opportunity to showcase your unique voice and cultural heritage through your art. |

## Exhibition

* Insurance for artworks in only covered once delivered to the Shire of Ashburton, and are covered for fire and theft only. Any other insurance will be the responsibility of the artist.
* Awards will be publicly announced at the opening night event. Best efforts will be made by the Shire of Ashburton to contact the winning artist as soon as practical following the announcement of winners. The announcement will be livestreamed on social media (subject to technology availability).

## Sale of Artworks

* Artworks can be labelled as for sale during the exhibition. The Shire of Ashburton will only provide artist’s details to potential buyers, and will not facilitate the sale of artworks.
* Artists will be notified if someone is interested in purchasing their piece. It will be the artist's responsibility to complete the sale of their artwork.

## Artwork Requirements

* Visually, artworks can be altered slightly from the date of the form submission to the date of artwork delivery; however, artwork dimensions cannot change.
* Artists can enter multiple categories; however, each entry must be distinct. Each new entry must be submitted by completing a new entry form.
* A piece of artwork can only be entered in one category.
* Photography will only be accepted in the Photography category.
* The Youth category is for non-photographic artwork. If entering a photograph, please submit it in the Photography category.
* All works submitted must be the artist's own original work.

## Artwork Requirements (continued)

* All works must be suitably framed and/or stretched.
* All works must be fitted with appropriate hanging devices such as 'D' rings and wire. Please see Appendix 1.1 for an example.
* The following categories must be two-dimensional: Landscape, Portrait, and Photography.
* The maximum dimensions of artworks are: 1.3m width, 1.3m height, and a weight of 11kg.
* Artworks must be delivered clearly labelled with an attached paper stating: Town, Artist, Artwork name, and contact details.

## Hanging Requirements

* Artwork will be suspended on a hanging system.
* This means that the install staff require your artwork to have a specific hanging device fitted into the back of your artwork. Please see instructions below.

###### Instructions for hanging:

* You will need to attach a pair of D-rings or triangle-rings on the back of your artwork. Please ensure that they can support the weight of your artwork – check the suppliers’ details to ensure they are the correct calibre for the weight of your artwork.
* Attach D-rings approximately three-quarters of the way up from the bottom of the artwork. Thread picture-quality cord or braided wire ONLY through your two rings, then pull fairly tightly so that the wire or cord does not droop. Your wire or cord should be knotted around the D-ring and twisted as close to the D-ring as possible. This secures the wire firmly at each end and prevents the loose ends of the wire catching or damaging your artworks.
* Artworks without D-rings and appropriate hanging wire or cord will not be accepted.
* The Ashburton Art Awards and the Shire of Ashburton accept no responsibility for artworks not properly prepared for hanging as per guide.
* If you're unsure about how to fit D-rings and hanging wire to your artwork, see Appendix 1.1 for guidance or contact TomPrice.EventsAndActivities@ashburton.wa.gov.au for assistance.

## Intellectual Property

* The artist warrants that they own the intellectual property rights in their submission and that any intellectual property rights and moral rights of a third party have not been infringed. The entrant must obtain the consent of sitters if featured in their submitted works for public use.
* Licences required in respect of names, trademarks, designs, works of art or any other intellectual property depicted in the work must be obtained prior to entry.

## Copyright

* Copyright in all exhibited artworks will remain with the artist. It is a condition of entry that the entrant grants to the Shire of Ashburton the right to freely use, communicate, reproduce, and publish all exhibited works for publicity, promotional and educational purposes associated with the Ashburton Art Awards in both digital and print mediums.

## Appendix 1.1

