2025 Shoalhaven Youth Art Prize

Call for Entries and Conditions of Entry

Key Dates:

Entry Forms Close: Friday 26th September 2025 (5pm)

Artwork Drop Off: Tuesday 7th October 2025 (10 am – 1 pm Berry School of Arts)

Exhibition Dates: Thursday 9th October 2025 to Sat 25th October 2025

Prizes Presented: Saturday 11th October 2025 (12 noon)

Artwork Collection: Saturday 25th October 2025 (2pm – 4pm, Berry School of Arts)

Requirements

The Shoalhaven Youth Art Prize is an annual exhibition presented by Shoalhaven Art Society featuring the diverse talents of young, aspiring and emerging artists aged between 12 and 18 years (3 age groups). Participants must live in Australia.

Theme

There is no set theme, the artist is invited to exhibit works that have been created at home or school, but the works must be original and not copied.

Age Categories

Artworks will be judged in one of three sections, **Ages 12-14**, **Ages 15-16**, **Ages 17-18**. Age section will be dependent on entrant's age at the time of exhibition **October 2025**.

Prizes

1st place (\$50), 2nd place (\$30) for each age category. A Youth Encouragement Certificate across all youth age categories will also be awarded. Winners will be announced at 12 noon on **Saturday 11th October 2025** at the Berry School of Arts

Entry Form and Entry Fee

An entry form must be completed by 5pm, **Friday 26**th **September 2025. Late entries will not be accepted.** A \$5 entry fee can be paid online during entry form submission. Entry forms can be found online at www.shoalhavenartsociety.org

Number of Entries

Maximum ONE (1) entry/ artwork per youth

Artwork Delivery

Artwork must be dropped off between **10 am and 1 pm Tuesday 7th October 2025** at the Berry School of Arts, 19 Alexandra Street, Berry. Works delivered after 1 pm will note be accepted.

Materials/ Medium

Artworks can be created using paint (oil or acrylic), drawing (eg. pencil, charcoal, pastel etc), printmaking, mixed media only. **Photographs, sculpture and digital drawings not accepted**. Artworks must have

been created since September 2024 and must not have previously been displayed in a professional gallery. (Artworks which have been exhibited at school are accepted.)

Labelling artworks

All artworks must be labelled clearly on the reverse with: Name of Artist, Age of artist, Title, Address, Phone number, Email, Price (If the artwork is for sale)

Presentation and size of artworks- IMPORTANT

- Artworks must be presented neatly and ready to hang in the gallery with two (2) D-rings attached to the back of the frame or canvas between 5cm and 10cm from the top. No need for wire or string.
- If you are entering a canvas, ensure the sides of the canvas are painted neatly.
- Maximum size for artwork is 1m x 1m. Maximum weight must not exceed 10 kgs.
- · No wet artworks will be accepted.
- Artworks may be rejected due to poor presentation. You will be notified to pick up the artwork if this
 is the case.

Sale of Works

Please indicate on the online entry form if your artwork is for sale (You may choose NOT to sell your artwork if you don't want to). Should your artwork be sold, you will be contacted for your bank account details so a deposit can be made directly into your bank account with your parent/carer permission

Collection of Artworks

Unsold artworks or artworks that were not for sale must be collected at the end of the exhibition on **Saturday 25**th **October between 2pm-4pm.** A representative (parent, carer or teacher) may pick up your artwork on your behalf. Artworks can be picked up from Berry School of Arts, 19 Alexandra At, Berry. Works not collected after seven (7) days of the close of the exhibition will be deemed a donation to Shoalhaven Art Society and auctioned off.

Care and Responsibility

Shoalhaven Art Society will exercise all reasonable care with artworks submitted for this exhibition. However, it does not insure them against damage or theft which is the responsibility of the artist.

Copyright

Shoalhaven Art Society reserves the right to photograph artworks exhibited in the Shoalhaven Youth Art Prize for the purpose of documentation and promotion.

Judges

The judge's decision will be final.

Junior Membership with Shoalhaven Art Society

Junior membership with Shoalhaven Art Society is \$10 and is renewed at the beginning of the calendar year. Memberships, forms and payments can be paid online www.shoalhavenartsociety.org.

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