

The 47th Hinchinbrook Art Awards Conditions of Entry is to be used in conjunction with the Art Awards Entry Form to submit an entry into Council run Art Award competitions.

Key Dates

- **Entry Closing Date:** 4.00pm Friday 17 October 2025. Entries must be submitted with associated entry fees of \$25 per entry. Late entries will not be accepted.
- **Delivery of artwork:** Friday 31 October to Friday 7 November 2025 between, 10.00am – 4.00pm daily
- **Awards Night:** 6.00pm Friday 14 November 2025 at TYTO Regional Art Gallery.
- **Exhibition on general display:** Saturday 15 November to Friday 19 December 2025, 10am – 4pm daily at the TYTO Regional Art Gallery
- **Collection of unsold artwork:** Saturday 20 December to Tuesday 23 December 2025 and Monday 5 January to Sunday 11 January 2026, between 10.00am – 4.00pm daily, unless by prior arrangement.

Key Information

Artwork Delivery

Artworks are to be delivered to the TYTO Regional Art Gallery, 73-75 McIlwraith Street Ingham Queensland 4850, from Friday 31 October to Friday 7 November 2025 between 10.00am – 4.00pm daily. Late deliveries will not be accepted under any circumstance. Artworks must be delivered dry and suitable for handling without packaging, unless necessary for courier return.

Artwork Size Limitations

All two-dimensional works must comply with size limitations of 150cm x 120cm. Painting (2D), Water Colour, Mixed Media, Works on Paper, and Photography sections are considered Two-dimensional works.

All three-dimensional works must comply with size limitations of 100cm in height, with a base of not more than 75cm x 50cm, and to a maximum of 16kg. Ceramics and Sculptural Form sections are considered Three-dimensional works.

All “still” digital art entries are to be printed and mounted for hanging. All other digital art entries are to be supplied on a USB device.

Exhibition Opening

The exhibition opening night will be held on Friday 14 November 2025. All entrants are required to attend or send a representative on their behalf.

Collection of Works

Artworks cannot be collected before the exhibition ends. Collection is allowed only between Saturday 20 December and Tuesday 23 December 2025, 10.00am – 4.00pm daily, or between Monday 5 January and Sunday 11 January 2026, 10.00am – 4.00pm daily. Collections outside these times must be arranged in advance with TYTO Regional Art Gallery. Any uncollected artwork will be disposed of at the Gallery’s discretion. Artists are responsible for organising courier collection and must email the Gallery with collection details.

Awards

Categories

OPEN AWARD ACQUISITIVE - Best work from all sections. All entries will be judged for the Open Award prize. The winning entry will not be eligible to win in any other sections. The winning artwork of this award will be acquired by Council. \$3,000

LOCAL ARTIST AWARD - Automatic entry for local artists (unless already a winner in any other section). Must have residential status within Hinchinbrook Shire and have done so for a period of six months at the exhibition date. \$800

INDIGENOUS ARTIST AWARD - Outstanding indigenous artist from any section. \$400

YOUTH AWARD – Outstanding work from any section by an artist under 18 years. \$400

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD - Viewers vote. Votes counted after closure of competition. \$400

Sections

1. **PAINTING (2D)** - Any subject, any style in any medium - \$350;
2. **WATER COLOUR** - Traditional or contemporary water colour on any support or base - \$350;
3. **MIXED MEDIA (2D)** – A combination of two/plus different media - \$350;
4. **DIGITAL MEDIA** – Any subject, any style - \$350;
5. **WORKS ON PAPER** - Any subject, any medium - \$350;
6. **PHOTOGRAPHY** – Any subject, any style - \$350;
7. **CERAMICS** – Any method of constructions - \$350; and
8. **SCULPTURAL FORM** – Any subject, any medium - \$350.

Conditions of Entry

1. Unless otherwise specified, sections are open to all ages;
2. “Youth Award” refers to persons under the age of 18 years of age as at the date of the Opening Night, Friday 14 November 2025;
3. “Local Artist” refers to persons who reside on a permanent basis within the boundary of the Hinchinbrook Shire, controlled by the Hinchinbrook Shire Council;
4. The winning artwork of the Open Award is acquisitive and will become a part of the Hinchinbrook Shire Council Public Art collection;
5. TYTO Regional Art Gallery reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, to refuse to accept an entry from an Entrant;
6. Entries must not contain anything homophobic, transphobic, sexist, racist and/or ableist, unlawful, defamatory, libelous, obscene, vulgar or lewd. Entries containing anything which TYTO Regional Art Gallery or the judges deem inappropriate will be disqualified and not displayed;
7. All works must be for sale through TYTO Regional Art Gallery (no exceptions);

8. Artists must not offer their exhibited piece for sale on any other platform during the 47th Hinchinbrook Art Awards. (eg Blue Thumb, Art Lovers, or private social pages.);
9. All works sold will be subject to a commission of 20%;
10. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and completed within the last 12 months;
11. Artists must disclose if art or artwork was created, in full or in part, using an Artificial Intelligence Generator;
12. Digitised versions of work done by traditional means such as oils, watercolours, pen and ink, etc, will not be accepted in the Digital Media section, unless these versions have been artistically manipulated by computer software and this process is an intrinsic part of the work;
13. Lens-based photography is permitted in the Digital Media section where some form of digital or other manipulation is an intrinsic part of the work;
14. All works must be dry and suitable for handling;
15. Two-dimensional works must be suitably framed or fitted for hanging (a stretched canvas is considered framed). Entries must be ready for display with “D” rings securely attached (preferably one quarter of the way down from the top of the frame). Failure to comply with hanging requirements may result in works being rejected;
16. Three-dimensional works will be exhibited on a flat surface unless otherwise instructed. The competitor must supply alternative supports if required;
17. Each artist may submit a maximum of one entry per section. Each artwork can be entered in one section only. All artworks are eligible for the Open Award Acquisitive and People’s Choice Award, regardless of section entered;
18. The fee per entry is \$25 for all sections. All entry fees are non-refundable. Payment can be made via EFTPOS, cash or cheque. Cheques are to be made out to Hinchinbrook Shire Council;
19. Entries must be submitted on the official Art Awards Entry Form (or a copy) together with entry fees forwarded to reach the Council or post marked no later than 4.00pm Friday 17 October 2025. Late and unpaid entries will not be accepted;
20. All artworks must be delivered to TYTO Regional Art Gallery 73-75 McIlwraith Street Ingham from Friday 31 October to Friday 7 November 2025 between 10.00am to 4.00pm daily. TYTO Regional Art Gallery is open seven days a week. Entries received after such time will not be eligible for entry and the entrant will forfeit their entry fee;
21. Please deliver your artwork without any packaging unless it is essential for safekeeping or required for return by courier;
22. All artworks must be delivered with an artwork label attached to the back or underside of the work. Artworks without a label will not be accepted. Labels can be downloaded from www.gallery.hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au/art-awards or from the TYTO Regional Art Gallery;
23. TYTO Regional Art Gallery reserves the right to hang the artwork as it sees fit, including not hanging or rotating artwork;
24. Works may not be collected until after the exhibition closure. Artworks must be collected between Saturday 20 December and Tuesday 23 December 2025, 10.00am – 4.00pm daily, or between Monday 5 January and Sunday 11 January 2026, 10.00am – 4.00pm daily or by prior arrangement. Any entry not collected will be disposed of by the Gallery;

25. Only one People's Choice prize will be awarded. In the event of a tie, the prize money will be divided equally among the winning artists.
26. Sold works cannot be released until after the closure of the exhibition;
27. All freight, insurance and transport costs in both directions are the responsibility of the entrant. Each competitor is responsible for maintaining his/her own insurance coverage;
28. The greatest possible care will be taken of all works, however, works shall at all times remain at the risk of the entrant. Council accepts no liability for loss or damage whatsoever to any work whilst in its custody or during transit;
29. Exhibited entries may be reproduced in print and electronic media, including, but not limited to, exhibition catalogues, entry forms and information sheets, for the purposes of publicity and promotion of the Hinchinbrook Art Awards and TYTO Regional Art Gallery, in perpetuity;
30. TYTO Regional Art Gallery reserves the right to exclude any works which do not meet the conditions or are deemed not in keeping with the standards of the exhibition. The Gallery reserves the right not to hang all entries if space is limited. All entries will be viewed by the judging panel;
31. Artists are required to supply an invoice/tax invoice addressed to Hinchinbrook Shire Council, 25 Lannercost Street Ingham, to receive payment for artwork sold; and
32. The Chief Executive Officer reserves the right to make the final decision in respect of any issue relating to the organisation and administration of the 2025 competition.