



Region's best artists encouraged to nominate for Art Award

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For the first time, artists in Palerang, Cooma-Monaro and Yass Valley council areas are eligible to enter the Queanbeyan City Council Regional Art Award.

Entries for the award are now being taken on close on Monday 6 August, with the official opening and announcement of award winners to occur at 6pm on Tuesday 14 August in The Q's Exhibition Space.

"This year the award has been expanded to include artists living in our neighbouring local government areas," Queanbeyan Mayor, Cr Tim Overall said. "The award has been a great success in the past when restricted to Queanbeyan-based artists and I expect this extra competition will enhance the prestige of the award.

The aim of the Award is to enhance recognition of, and offer a unique award to, Queanbeyan and region artists and craftspeople; particularly for emerging to mid-career artists. The award will highlight, expose and promote the myriad of talented visual artists residing in the Queanbeyan region.

"This year's awards will be judged by Martin and Susie Beaver, Directors of Canberra's largest privately-owned commercial gallery, the Beaver Galleries," Cr Overall said.

"We have always been blessed to very talented judges for the Queanbeyan Art Award and the 2012 are no different with the experienced Martin and Susie Beaver to run their eye over the art works.

The Queanbeyan City Council Regional Art Award has three award categories:

- Non-acquisitive award \$2000
- Highly commended \$250
- People's choice award \$250

Entries for the Queanbeyan City Council Regional Art Award close on Monday 6 August and for further information contact Council's Cultural Development Officer, Georgina Perri on 6285 6170.

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