



## MTC COMMUNITY ART COMPETITION – JUNE 2022

### Frequently Asked Questions

- When can I enter the competition?
  - Entries open Monday June 20 and close Friday August 19, 2022
- What can I do if I don't have access to art supplies, but I want to enter the competition?
  - Melton Central Community Centre will be hosting fortnightly open studio sessions on Mondays between 2pm and 6pm for entrants to work on their pieces using Council supplies, for free.
  - On Monday July 18 and Monday August 1, local artist Stephanie Bell will facilitate free workshops where you can explore basic art techniques and idea development for your submission.
- Are there competition terms and conditions?
  - Yes, all entrants must read and accept terms and conditions to be eligible
- Is there a fee and who can enter?
  - There is no fee to enter the competition and any non-professional artist or photographer living, working, studying or volunteering in Melton City Council can enter. Please see competition terms and conditions for Council's definition of non-professional artist or photographer.
- Do I need to title my artwork?
  - You can title it if you like – you don't have to. You must include a brief description of the works and why it reflects Melton's places, people and community in no greater than 50 words.
- Who will judge my work?
  - A panel of judges made up of local artists and/or community members will be appointed to shortlist entrants and determine winners for each category. Works submitted will be judged anonymously.
- What are the judges looking for?
  - The theme of this competition is 'My Melton, My Community'. Entrants are encouraged to put their unique spin on this theme; What does the community of Melton mean to you? What are your favourite places in the town centre? Who are the people that make Melton what it is? How do I interact with Melton and its community? How do you connect with Melton's history and heritage?
  - Artworks that are uniquely identifiable and relate to Melton's town centre and immediate surrounding areas; Hannah Watts Park, Melton Botanic Gardens, local businesses in the town centre, local residents and buildings and community spaces such as the historical courthouse, the amphitheatre, Civic Centre and Melton Library and Learning Centre.

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- Use of creativity, an eye-catching piece.
  - A technically good image (light, focus, composition, etc.) if photography is chosen medium.
- How many times can I submit an entry?
  - One entry per person only.
- Can I submit images or artistic impressions of people?
  - You can, but you will be required to submit a release form to comply with terms and conditions of the competition if they can be identified in the artwork.
- What are the prizes?
  - In each category there will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winners. As well as an overall prize for the artwork which best reflects Melton town and community. The prize will be a voucher to a local Melton business of their choice.
    - Primary school aged– 1<sup>st</sup> \$100 voucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$50 Voucher, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$20 voucher
    - Secondary school aged– 1<sup>st</sup> \$200 voucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100 Voucher, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50 voucher
    - Open – 1<sup>st</sup> \$300 voucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$200 voucher, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$100 voucher
    - Best reflection of Melton prize - \$300 voucher
- When and how do I find out if I have won?
  - All prize winners will be announced at the Lifelong Learning festival launch on Saturday 3 September 2022. If you are unavailable on this day Council will contact you by email or phone shortly after.