



SCHOOL ART COMPETITION

LOCAL LANDMARKS, LOCAL LEGENDS

Entry & Exhibition Guidelines

These guidelines will help schools prepare and submit artworks for the West's Ashfield School Art Competition & Exhibition. Please review the key dates, entry requirements and presentation instructions before submitting artwork.

At a Glance

Theme	Local Landmarks, Local Legends
Who can enter?	Inner West primary and secondary schools
Entries per school	Up to 6 artworks per stage/category
Registration deadline – to be completed online, for each artwork	16 October 2026
Artwork delivered to Club	30 October 2026
Presentation Morning Tea	10 November 2026 at West's Ashfield
Artwork collection from Club	11 November 2026
Delivery location	West's Ashfield, 115 Liverpool Road, Ashfield NSW
Total prize pool	\$6,700

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Confirm your school's internal approval process and nominate one staff contact to coordinate registrations, delivery and collection.



How to Enter

1. Register each artwork online - **DUE: 16 OCTOBER 2026**

- Complete a separate registration for every artwork.
- Include the Artist Statement and accept the Conditions of Entry.
- Attach a printed copy of the completed registration to the back of each artwork.

GOOD TO KNOW

Registration information can be saved before submission, allowing you to return and complete it later.

2. Deliver your artwork to West's Ashfield - **DUE: 30 OCTOBER 2026**

Artwork may be delivered in person or sent by courier to:

West's Ashfield
115 Liverpool Road
Ashfield NSW 2131
Attn: Reception

3. Collect your artwork - **11 NOVEMBER 2026**

Artwork must be collected from Reception on this date.

IMPORTANT

Artwork must be collected by 11 November 2026. West's Ashfield cannot store uncollected artwork after this date and accepts no responsibility for items left behind.



Entry Criteria

- The competition is open to students from Inner West primary and secondary schools.
- All entries must be submitted or approved by the participating school; students cannot enter independently.
- Every artwork must include a completed Registration, Artist Statement and Conditions of Entry.
- Entries from students who completed Year 12 in the previous year must still be submitted through their school.

Artwork Categories

PRIMARY	SECONDARY
Stage 1	Stage 4
Stage 2	Stage 5
Stage 3	Stage 6

MAXIMUM ENTRIES

Each school may submit up to 6 artworks per stage/category, including both individual and collaborative works.

Artwork Requirements

Minimum size and suitability

- Primary artworks must be at least A4 size.
- Secondary artworks must comply with current HSC requirements for weight, size and suitability for exhibition.

Accepted Media

Painting & drawing	Printmaking	Photography	Pottery
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Preparing Artwork for Exhibition

Works on paper

Drawings, paintings, prints and photographs should be securely mounted on foam core, heavyweight card or a similar rigid backing.

Framed works and stretched canvases

Secure D-rings with screws at both ends on the back of the artwork.

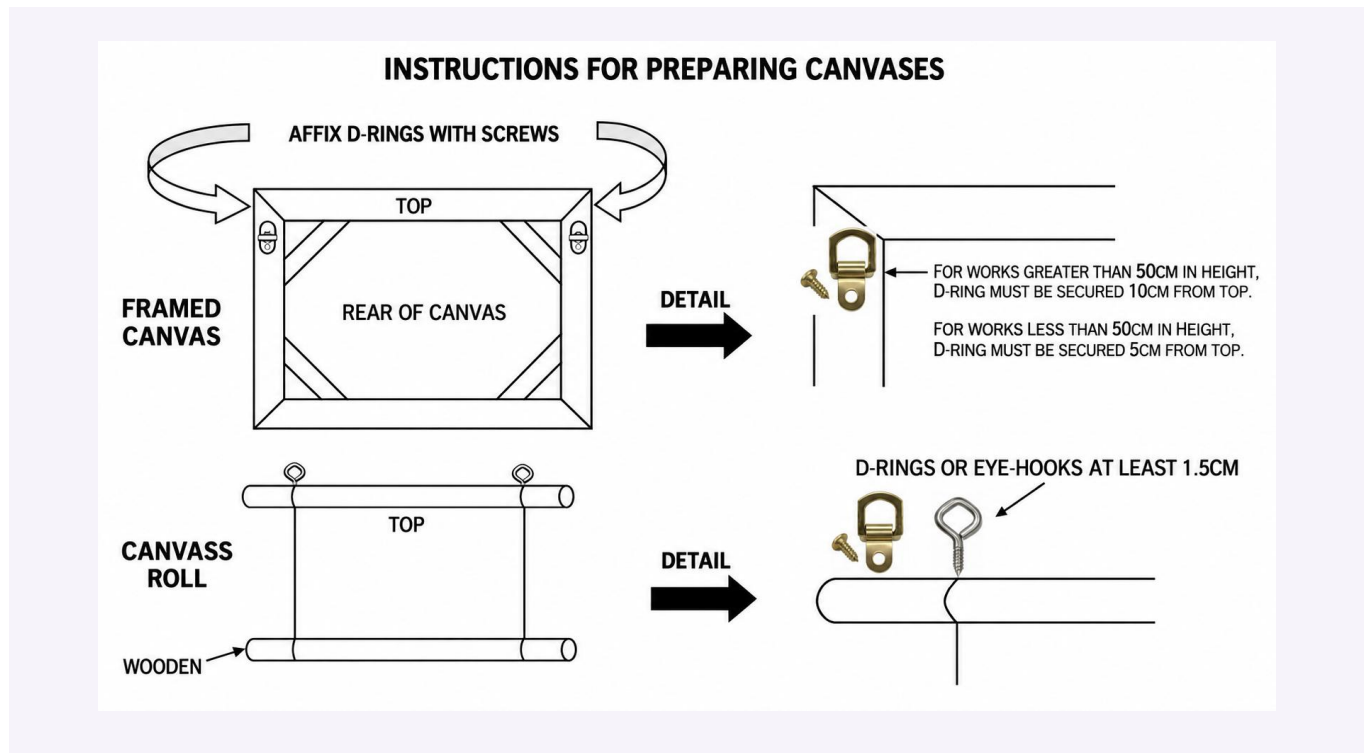
ARTWORK HEIGHT	D-RING PLACEMENT
Under 50 cm	5 cm from the top
50 cm or taller	10 cm from the top

Multi-piece artworks

- **More than 5 pieces:** assemble the work before submission.
- **5 pieces or fewer:** supply a diagram or photograph showing the intended arrangement.

Unstretched canvas and textiles

Secure the work to a dowel rod and attach D-rings or eye hooks at each end using screws or suitable adhesive.





Exhibition & Display

West's Ashfield will determine the final exhibition layout based on available display space. An entire body of work may not be displayed. Schools will be advised if submitted works are not selected for display.

PRESENTATION STANDARD

Schools are responsible for presenting each artwork professionally. Where appropriate, West's Ashfield may mount works on foam board. The selection committee may decline works that are not adequately prepared for display.

Prizes

Students and schools will share in \$6,700 worth of prizes, including art supplies, vouchers, Museum of Contemporary Art memberships and cash prizes.

Primary School Categories & Prizes

AWARD	STUDENT PRIZE	SCHOOL PRIZE
Stage 1 Runner-up	Art pack	\$100
Stage 1 Winner	Art pack + \$50 voucher	\$200
Stage 2 Runner-up	Art pack	\$100
Stage 2 Winner	Art pack + \$50 voucher	\$200
Stage 3 Runner-up	Art pack	\$100
Stage 3 Winner	Art pack + \$50 voucher	\$200
People's Choice	\$350	\$500



Secondary School Categories & Prizes

AWARD	STUDENT PRIZE	SCHOOL PRIZE
Stage 4 Runner-up	MCA membership	\$250
Stage 4 Winner	MCA membership + \$100 voucher	\$500
Stage 5 Runner-up	MCA membership	\$250
Stage 5 Winner	MCA membership + \$100 voucher	\$500
Stage 6 Runner-up	MCA membership	\$250
Stage 6 Winner	MCA membership + \$100 voucher	\$500
People's Choice	\$500	\$1,000

MCA = Museum of Contemporary Art Australia