

Catalyst: Young Visual Artist Award The West Australian Pulse 2025

About Art Education Association of WA

Art Education Association of WA (ArtEdWA), promotes art education in Western Australia by supporting best practices and innovation. The Association plays a crucial role in supporting teachers by providing a strong network of peers, fostering collaboration and enhancing their professional practice. ArtEdWA advocates the importance of an art education in schools, ensuring that creativity is recognised as a vital component of a well-rounded curriculum.

Award Name

Catalyst: Young Visual Artist Award

Prize

\$2,500

Feature article on ArtEdWA website

Award Objectives

- ◆ **To establish** the direct connection between The West Australian Pulse to the Visual Arts Curriculum, reinforcing the relevance of classroom learning and support curriculum alignment.
- ◆ **To spotlight** the artistic work undertaken by students, under teachers' guidance, showcasing the impact of visual arts education and mentorship.
- ◆ **To elevate** the role of arts education by emphasising the importance of visual arts education in fostering creativity, critical thinking, and personal expression.
- ◆ **To promote** professional pathways, providing students with exposure to creative industries.
- ◆ **To showcase** confidence and craftsmanship in challenging artistic conventions in artworks.

Judging Criteria

Conceptual Innovation

The artwork challenges/questions traditional artistic conventions in a thought-provoking way.

Engagement and Impact

The artwork invites discussion and interpretation beyond the conventional.

Craftsmanship and Technical Mastery

The artwork reflects a high level of skill in art making techniques.

Confidence in Artistic Expression

The artist takes bold creative risks in form, material, or approach. The work reflects a mature and independent artistic voice.

Judging Panel

A panel of **four** comprising of:

- ◆ President of ArtEdWA
- ◆ Primary Specialist Visual Arts Teacher
- ◆ Secondary Visual Arts Teacher (x 2)

(*panel selection is subject to eligibility criteria)

For all inquires, please contact Michelle Horrocks - info@artedwa.gov.au

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Thank you for your interest in becoming a judge for the inaugural **Catalyst: Young Visual Artist Award 2025**. Please complete the following form to express your interest and confirm your availability.

Eligibility Criteria

Please confirm that you meet the following eligibility requirements:

I am a **Primary Specialist Visual Arts Teacher** who has taught Visual Arts within the last five years.

or

I am a **Secondary Visual Arts Teacher** who has taught Visual Arts ATAR or General in the last five years.

I **do not** have a student's artwork in the current exhibition.

My school **does not** have one or more artworks in the current exhibition.

I **have not** served as a practical WACE marker for the school year of the current exhibition.

I **am not** a relative/parent/guardian of a child with an artwork in the current exhibition.

I **am** available to judge onsite at AGWA on Friday 2 May, 12.30pm - 3pm.

➔ If you are unable to confirm all of the above, you are ineligible to serve as a judge for this award.

➔ If you do meet the eligibility requirements, complete the details on pages 1 and 2 of this form.

Applicant Details

Full Name:

Phone:

Email:

School/Institution:

Current Teaching Position:

Years of Experience in Visual Arts Education:

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Expression of Interest

Professional Background and Experience

Provide a brief summary of your experience in Visual Arts education including any relevant qualifications, teaching experience, or industry involvement.

Alignment with Award Objectives

Explain how your experience aligns with the objectives of the Catalyst Award, particularly in reinforcing the Visual Arts Curriculum, mentoring students and fostering creativity and critical thinking.

Declaration

Please confirm the declaration:

I confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate and that I meet all eligibility requirements. I agree to comply with the Judging Panel Terms and Conditions as established by ArtEdWA

Full Name

Signature

Date

Please submit this completed form (pages 1 and 2) to info@artedwa.org.au by 5pm Thursday 17 April 2025.

Successful applicants will be notified by Wednesday 23 April 2025

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