



# PROGRAM 2023



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# 2023 QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ART AWARDS



The Queensland Regional Art Awards (QRAA) is Flying Arts’ signature annual art awards for established and emerging artists living in regional and remote Queensland. The award aims to showcase artwork whilst providing a platform for artists to further professional development and opportunities.

In 2023, this much-anticipated annual signature event will open for entries on 11 August 2023 with a record prize pool of over \$140,000 (an increase of \$100,000 from last year) across 10 award categories, elevating the awards to one of the most valuable art awards in Australia for regional artists, offering substantial non-acquisitive cash prizes together with in-kind prizes. The in-kind prizes include residencies and solo exhibition opportunities giving Queensland regional artists valuable avenues to engage in professional development.

Each year, the QRAA feature diverse visual arts categories responding to a selected theme. “Perspective”, the theme for 2023, invites artists to consider the concept in its many facets, viewpoints and nuances. The theme plays on a term familiar in the visual arts, and central to our modern society, reflecting different individual and collective viewpoints and opinions, stemming from varying life-experiences, perceptions, understandings, memories and emotions.

KEY DATES	
11 August	Entries open
23 August	Webinar: Understanding Art Awards
6 October	Final entries close
13 October	People’s Choice Opens
3 November	Award finalists announced
21 November	People’s Choice Voting Closes
24 November	Award winners announced

Holding Redlich is the Queensland Regional Art Awards Major Prize Sponsor.



# QRAA TOURING EXHIBITIONS

## 2021 QRAA PAINT THE TOWN TOURING EXHIBITION



Above: Kym Barrett, Gateway (detail) 2021, oils, mixed media on canvas, 120 x 120cm. Image credit: Louis Lim.

Paint the Town, touring exhibition of the 2021 QRAA, is a Flying Arts Alliance initiative in partnership with Museums & Galleries Queensland. This project is supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland; and proudly sponsored by Holding Redlich.

In 2021 the QRAA coincided with Flying Arts’ 50th year anniversary, half a century of connecting artists, educators and communities.

Evoking the spirit of celebration, of all things jubilant, artists were invited to respond to the question – how do you celebrate? Whatever the reason or season, whatever your medium or practice, artists were invited to Paint the Town

The result is a uniquely Queensland hyper-local response to the public, or sometimes intimately personal, ways and reasons we choose to celebrate.

DATES	VENUE
November 2022 - 26 February 2023	Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery, Bundaberg
10 March 2023 - 29 April 2023	Mundubbera Regional Art Gallery
26 May 2023 - 22 July 2023	Dogwood Crossing @Miles, Miles
4 August 2023 - 23 September 2023	Roma on Bungil Gallery, Roma
28 September 2023 - 23 November 2023	Injune Creek Gallery, Injune
1 December 2023 - 10 February 2024	Warwick Art Gallery, Warwick



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Above: Alexander Baxter, *I Know How You Must Feel, Brad (detail)*, cyanotype and screenprint on cold pressed paper, 2021. Image credit: Louis Lim.

2022 QRAA REFRAME TOURING EXHIBITION

The Queensland Regional Art Awards (QRAA) is Flying Arts’ annual visual arts prize for artists living in regional, rural, and remote Queensland. In 2022, the QRAA was an invitation to explore the concept of 'Reframe', calling artists to enter work which draws upon experiences and observations that respond to our changing world. *Reframe* was an opportunity to see from a different perspective; to inspire problem solving whilst constructively responding, shifting and evolving.

In 2023, Flying Arts Alliance are thrilled to have the opportunity to tour the award-winning artworks in *Reframe* the exhibition outcome of the 2022 Queensland Regional Art Awards (QRAA) across Queensland as successful grant recipients of ‘The Touring Queensland Fund - Round 1a’. *Reframe* will collaborate with arts organisations and grow audiences by providing multidimensional visual art experiences alongside established arts organisations and regional Council's.

DATES	VENUE
29 March - 29 April	Mulga Lands Gallery, Charleville
17 - 28 May	Longreach Community Library, Longreach
15 June - 2 July	Bushmans Artisan Gallery, Blackall
26 July - 13 August	Coalface Gallery, Moranbah
1 - 24 September	Botanical Gardens Visitor Centre, Cairns
25 October - 28 November	Goondiwindi Regional Civic Centre Gallery, Goondiwindi



Above: Rose Rigley, *Memory book I-XXXV*, 2012-2013. Image credit: Michael Marzik.

REFRAME - CREATIVE COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Flying Arts Alliance are excited to present creative community workshops as part of *Reframe*, the touring exhibition of the 2022 Queensland Regional Art Awards. Offered as part of the touring exhibition community engagement, a series of workshops will be on offer at the exhibition venues. These group workshops are open to the public and will be delivered at each tour location, including Charleville, Longreach, Blackall and Cairns, facilitated by several of the award-winning category prize winning artists.

Creative community workshops are an exciting opportunity to learn first hand from some of the exhibiting award-winning artists. There is the opportunity to hear from the artist about their artistic practice along with the inspiration and techniques that inspired their winning artwork that will be on display in the *Reframe* touring exhibition.

DATES	MULGA LANDS GALLERY, CHARLEVILLE
10:00 am - 12:00 pm 22 April	Contemplative In-Wash Objects with Rose Rigley
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 22 April	Clever Coptic Bookbinding with Rose Rigley
DATES	LONGREACH COMMUNITY LIBRARY, LONGREACH
9:00 am - 12:00 pm 27 May	Cyanotype & Alternative Surfaces with Rose Rigley
DATES	BUSHMANS ARTISAN GALLERY, BLACKALL
10:00 am - 2:00 pm 1 July	Create a Community Quilt with Karike Ashworth
DATES	COALFACE ART GALLERY, MORANBAH
9:00 am - 3:00 pm 4 August	Moranbah State High School Education Workshop with Nancy Brown
DATES	BOTANICAL GARDENS VISITOR CENTRE, CAIRNS
9:00 am - 3:00 pm 3 September	Creative Storytelling with Rose Rigley
DATES	GOONDIWINDI REGIONAL CIVIC CENTRE GALLERY, GOONDIWINDI
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This project is supported by the Queensland Government through **Arts Queensland**.

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MEET ROSELLA NAMOK EXHIBITION



Above: Rosella Namok, 'Sunrise at Chillli Beach' (detail) 2017, Acrylic on canvas, 135 x 210 cm. Image credit: Joe Ruckli.

In 2023, the first in a series of exhibitions will launch with the first featuring artwork by Rosella Namok, winner of the First Nations Artist Award category of the 2022 Queensland Regional Art Awards. Rosella won the award with her sculptural piece *My Place (Sea Green)*.

DATES	VENUE
27 April - 22 May 2022	Judith Wright Arts Centre, Brisbane.



Above: Artist Rosella Namok with a selection of her works at the Meet Rosella Namok Exhibition held at the Judith Wright Arts Centre. Image credit: Joe Ruckli.

MERVYN MORIARTY LANDSCAPE AWARD EXHIBITION



Above: Flying Arts Chair, The Hon. Anthe Philippides SC, CEO Paul Thompson, Jan Strudwick with Don O'Rourke, Consolidated Properties Group. *Sunday Morning - Ukraine* (detail), 2022, Textile, 90 x 71cm. Image credit: Joe Ruckli.

Honouring Mervyn Moriarty’s legacy, Flying Arts offers the Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award as a category of the Queensland Regional Art Awards (QRAA). In 2023 the winner and finalists of The Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award will be exhibited at both the Judith Wright Art Centre followed by being on display in the offices of award partner Consolidated Properties Group (CPG) in Brisbane for 12 months.

DATES	VENUE
24 February - 6 March	Judith Wright Arts Centre, Brisbane.
13 March - March 2024	Consolidated Properties Group, Brisbane.



Above: Guests at The Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award Exhibition 2023 held at the Judith Wright Arts Centre. Image credit: Joe Ruckli..



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