

# QRAA TOURING EXHIBITIONS

## QRAA RESOLUTION TOURING EXHIBITION (2024)

The Queensland Regional Art Awards (QRAA) is an annual visual arts prize and exhibition for established and emerging artists living in regional and remote Queensland. The program aims to provide a platform for further professional development.

The 2024 QRAA explored the concept of 'Resolution'. Artists and society as a whole grapple and confront multiple viewpoints and concepts requiring resolution. Through the creative process, artists take this voyage through differing personal and social lenses to reach a meaningful resolution in their work. This reflects and is relevant to the broader journey of society.

DATES	VENUE
7 March - 26 April	Cairns Cout House Gallery, Cairns
5 May -15 June	Coalface Art Gallery, Moranbah
1 July - 15 August	Mike Carney Creative Industries Centre, Chartes Towers
5 September - 6 October	Mulga Lands Art Gallery, Charleville
18 October - 23 November	Lapunyah Art Gallery, Chinchilla



Above: Award Winners at the 2024 QRAA Gala.

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## TOURING EXHIBITION OF THE *MERVYN MORIARTY LANDSCAPE AWARD*

The Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award Touring Exhibition is the inaugural tour of the finalists from the 2023 QRAA award category. The selected artists, chosen by finalist judge Jonathan McBurnie, will have their work showcased across the state, accompanying the 2023 QRAA Perspective Touring Exhibition, and also featuring as a stand alone show.



Aaron Butt, *The Flying Artist*, 2023 - Portrait of Mervyn Moriarty OAM, Flying Arts' Legendary Founder.  
Image credit: Carl Warner

DATE	VENUE
7 March - 27 April	Cairns Cout House Gallery, Cairns
10 May - 19 June	Texas Regional Art Gallery, Texas
22 August - 10 October	Roma on Bungil Gallery, Roma
TBC	Judith Wright Art Centre, Brisbane



Above:: The 2024 Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award Exhibition at Cairns Court-House Gallery. Image credit: Nathan Kelly

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# 2025 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, rural and remote Queensland. The award aims to showcase artwork whilst providing a platform for artists to further professional development and opportunities. Each year, the QRAA features diverse visual arts categories responding to a selected theme.

This much-anticipated award will open for entries on 1 August 2024 across 10 award categories, making the awards 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 and broaden audience reach.

Flying Arts organises a co-event, the QRAA Ekphrasis Challenge, which asks poets to respond to the winning artworks in the Queensland Regional Art Awards in 2024. The poems will be displayed as part of the touring exhibition of the 2024 QRAA.

## KEY DATES

19 August 2025	Entries open 4pm
7 October 2025	Entries close 4pm
14 October 2025	People's Choice voting opens
22 October 2025	Judging session 1 (online)
24 October 2025	Finalists Announced
11 November 2025	People's Choice voting closes
14 November 2025	Judging session 2 (in-person, Brisbane)
28 Novemebr 2025	QRAA 2025 Gala and Winners Announcement



**Above:** Lisa Ashcroft, *Don't Follow Me, I'm Lost Too*, Acrylic, handstitched sequins, kitsch, fabric and fibre on framed canvas, Textile Award Winner, 2024. **Image Credit:** courtesy of the Artist.

# BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

## QRAA EMERGING ARTIST AWARD EXHIBITIONS

### AT THE JUDITH WRIGHT ART CENTRE & CONSOLIDATED PROPERTY GROUP

This exhibition contains beautiful works from artists living in Regional Queensland. From the Sunshine Coast, Cairns, Ipswich, the Gold Coast, Hervey Bay and more, these artworks represent the emerging talent present across the state.

Thanks to our award partner, Consolidated Properties Group, a selection of works from the 2024 QRAA Emerging Artist Award category will be exhibited from the 26th of March, 2025 to the 25th of March 2026 in the Consolidated Properties Group Brisbane offices.

DATE	EVENT
15 February - 24 March	Judith Wright Art Centre, Brisbane
25 March 2025 - 25 March 2026	Consolidated Properties Group Offices, Brisbane



Above: Winner of the Emerging Artist's Award Teddy Horton with their work Stars Align along with Minister for Arts and Education John Paul Langbroek. Image Credit: Sophie Delaney.

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# BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

## QRAA ARTISTS SOLO EXHIBITIONS

In 2025, as part of their winnings in the 2024 QRAA, six regional artists will have solo exhibitions at the Judith Wright Arts Centre, Land St Gallery and Queensland College of Art Galleries. This is an invaluable experience for these artists, many of whom have never exhibited, let alone had a solo show. On display will be a collection of their works, including the winning piece of the 2024 QRAA.

DATE	EVENT
29 March - 13 April	Art For Life Solo Exhibition
12 June - 26 June	Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award Winner Solo Exhibition
12 August - 24 August	Environmental Art Award Winner Solo Exhibition
4 September - 22 September	First Nations Artist Award Winner Solo Exhibition
16 October - 2 November	Annie Tan Memorial Watercolour Award Solo Exhibition
11 November - 23 November	Remote Artist Award Winner Solo Exhibition



Above: Flying Arts Alliance Chair speaking at the QRAA 2024 Gala. Image credit: James Broadhurst.

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## BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

### QRAA ART FOR LIFE AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT THE JUDITH WRIGHT ARTS CENTRE

As part of The Art For Life Award prize, Simone Arnol and Bernard Singleton will exhibit at the Judith Wright Art Centre.

Simone Arnol is a descendant of the Gunggandji Peoples. She uses this strong connection to family and Country as a foundation for all of her art. Bernard Singleton is an Umpila, Djabugay/Yirrgay man raised in Cape York Peninsula. He continues to maintain strong cultural connections to his Djabugay and Yirrgay country of the Cairns Region where he is based.

The collaborative duo combine unique & modern designs with powerful narratives to convey powerful messages of their history and culture and recently won the Art For Life prize in the Queensland Regional Art Award.

DATE	EVENT
29 March - 13 April	Simone Arnol and Bernard Singleton Exhibition
5 April	Exhibition Opening



Above: Simone and Bernard with their work Emanate - Yimbi (Basket - to leach out toxins, de-stress or filter out noise).  
Image credit: James Broadhurst.

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## ARTIST PROFILE

## BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

### QRAA MERVYN MORIARTY LANDSCAPE AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT THE JUDITH WRIGHT ARTS CENTRE

As part of The Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award prize, Victoria Reichelt will exhibit at the Judith Wright Art Centre.

Victoria Reichelt is a painter and scholar, and has investigated the shifts from analogue to digital and concrete to virtual with floodlit precision. Victoria studied Fine Art at the Queensland College of Art, graduating in 2005 having completed her Doctor of Visual Arts.

She recently won the Mervyn Moriarty Landscape prize in the Queensland Regional Art Awards. She has also previously been short-listed for a number of major art prizes including the Gold Award at the Rockhampton Art Gallery, the RBS Emerging Artist Award, the Fletcher Jones Art Prize, and in 2013 she won the Sulman Art Prize at the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

DATE	EVENT
12 June - 26 June	Victoria Reichelt Solo Exhibition
14 June	Exhibition Opening



Above: Victoria Reichelt with her work Focus 4. Image credit: James Broadhurst.

Thanks to Mervyn Moriarty Landscape Award Sponsors



# BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

## QRAA ENVIRONMENTAL ART AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT QUEENSLAND COLLEGE OF ART

As part of the Environmental Art Award prize, Lauren Edmonds will exhibit at Griffith University, Queensland College of Art Gallery.

Lauren Edmonds is a multimedia artist living and working in the Moreton Bay region. They completed a Bachelor of Fine Art with Class I Honours at the Queensland College of Art, Griffith University in 2015.

Edmonds' work is often created as socio-political commentary – encouraging conversation and contemplation regarding everyday experience. They work in a variety of media including: drawing, animation, installation and object making. In 2015, Edmonds was awarded two awards in the Sunshine Coast Art Prize New Media category for 2014 and again a finalist for the 2015 prize. In 2014 they were a finalist in the Marie Ellis Prize for Drawing. Edmonds has held two solo exhibitions, one in 2009-10 and one in 2012. Lauren recently won the Environmental Art prize in the Queensland Regional Art Awards.

DATE	EVENT
12 August - 24 August	Lauren Edmonds Solo Show
TBC	Exhibition Opening



Above: Lauren Edmonds with her work Dark Forebodings. Image credit: James Broadhurst.

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## BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

### QRAA FIRST NATIONS ART AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT THE JUDITH WRIGHT ARTS CENTRE

As part of the First Nations Art Award prize, Paul Bong will exhibit at the Judith Wright arts Centre.

Paul Bong is of Yindinji descent and grew up in the Yatee area not far from Wright Creek in Far North Queensland. His grandmother, who spoke the 'Yidiny' language taught him stories and legends about the rainforest and it's ways from the foods, animals to the young warriors, and about the special places such as Babinda Boulders and up to the mighty Gordonvale Pyramid. Paul was inspired by these stories and incorporates them with traditional designs and modern techniques in his paintings and printmaking.

Paul recently won the First Nations prize in the Queensland Regional Art Awards.

DATE	EVENT
4 - 22 September	Paul Bong Solo Show
6 September	Exhibition Opening



Above: Paul Bong with his work Beginning of Creation. Image credit: James Broadhurst.

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## BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

### QRAA ANNIE TAN MEMORIAL WATERCOLOUR AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT LAND ST GALLERY

As part of the Annie Tan Memorial Watercolour Award prize, Lyn Bartolo will exhibit at Land St Gallery.

Lyn Bartolo has been painting for over twenty years from tropical North Queensland. She works across mediums such as watercolour acrylic and pastels with intricate realistic detail. She has recently been selected as a finalist in the John Villiers Outback Art Prize and exhibited at Australian Watercolour Muster Biennale in 2023 and the Camberwell Art Show in 2019.

Lyn recently won the Annie Tan Memorial Watercolour prize in the Queensland Regional Art Awards.

DATE	EVENT
16 October - 2 November	Lyn Bartolo Solo Show
TBC	Exhibition Opening



Above: Lyn Bartolo with her work Abandoned. Image credit: James Broadhurst.

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# BRISBANE EXHIBITIONS:

## QRAA REMOTE ARTIST AWARD WINNER EXHIBITION AT THE JUDITH WRIGHT ARTS CENTRE

As part of the Remote Artist Award prize, Karen Stephens will exhibit at the Judith Wright arts Centre.

Karen Stephens is an Australian artist based in Winton (Qld) whose interdisciplinary practice examines the politics of the gaze and distorts structures of seeing through contemporary landscape and portraiture painting. Stephens completed a Bachelor of Fine Art (Honours) from Griffith University's Queensland College of Art (2017).

Her paintings have been shortlisted in several prestigious awards and she recently won the Remote Artist prize in the Queensland Regional Art Awards. Recently her work can be seen on two billboard sized artworks on the Outback Way Outdoor Gallery, a major cross-cultural arts and infrastructure project on the Plenty Highway, Northern Territory supported with funding from the Australian Government's Building Better Regions Fund and the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal.

DATE	EVENT
11 November - 23 November	Karen Stephens Solo Show
15 November	Exhibition Opening



Above: Looking for the Pink Opal (Above Ground), Karen Stephens, 2024. Image credit: Courtesy of the Artist.

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