



Esperance Wildflower Festival
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To Principals and staff of all schools in the Esperance District,

2023 ESPERANCE WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ART EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION - SCHOOLS CATEGORY

The Esperance Wildflower Festival Committee is pleased to announce the 2023 Esperance Wildflower Festival Art Exhibition and Competition.

We wish to inform you of key competition details for this year's Schools category and to let you know that Esperance Community Arts will be coordinating this event in 2023. The artworks will continue to be displayed in St Andrew's Church through the Wildflower Festival (19th – 22nd September 9am-5pm and 23rd September 9am – 3pm).

Key Dates for Schools

- Due to limited storage space, all entries must be delivered to Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village on **Saturday 9th September 9am –12pm OR Monday 11th September, 1pm – 5pm**. Please contact us to make an alternative arrangement if neither of these times are possible (phone 0412091245 or email admin@esperancecommunityarts.org.au).
- Announcement and prize ceremony: **Friday 22nd September, St Andrews Anglican Church, 3.30pm**.
- All artworks in the Schools category must be collected directly from **St Andrews Anglican Parish Centre from Monday 9th October**.

Award Categories for Schools

There will be a total of fifteen individual student awards and one People's Choice Award presented as part of the Schools category of the Esperance Wildflower Festival Art Competition & Exhibition.

The theme for this year's artwork is **Banksias of the Esperance Region**. Ken Mills, President of the Esperance Wildflower Society, has prepared an educational resource (attached here) about the 29 species of Banksia in the Shire of Esperance. This is also available on the Wildflower festival website: <https://www.esperancewildflowerfestival.com/>

Please note that **all individual artworks must have the student's full name on the back plus the student's year group (not split classes). First names only can be included on the front of the artwork if desired**. Please submit a registration form (also attached here) for each class group. Artworks should be no bigger than A3 size. Sculptures should fit onto an A3 piece of paper. Photography is not accepted.



Judges' Awards

The judges will award three prizes within each combined age group (K-PP; Years 1-3; Years 4-6; Years 7-9; Years 10-12):

- **Theme Award:** for creative depictions of banksias found in the Esperance region.
- **Sustainability Award:** for the innovative use of recycled / upcycled materials.
- **Technical Skill Award:** for demonstration of strong artistic skill.

Open Category

For your reference, the Open category of the Esperance Wildflower Festival Art Competition and Exhibition will also be run again this year. The Open category has a general section and First Nations section, both are open to artists of all ages. Additional information is available on the Festival website.

Please contact me if you have any queries (phone 0412091245 or email admin@esperancecommunityarts.org.au)

We look forward to receiving your school's entries on **Saturday 9th September 9am –12pm OR Monday 11th September, 1pm – 5pm** at Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Esperance Wildflower Festival.



Jane Mulcock
Esperance Community Arts
On behalf of the Festival Committee

*The 2023 Esperance Wildflower Festival is presented by Esperance Wildflower Society,
Esperance Community Arts and St Andrews Anglican Parish.*

