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To Principals and staff of all schools in the Esperance District

DJILBA WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ESPERANCE 2025 ART EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION - SCHOOLS CATEGORY

Flora of the Wetlands

The Wildflower Festival Committee is pleased to announce the 2025 Djilba 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 Tjaltjraak Native Title Aboriginal Corporation will be coordinating this event in 2025. The artworks will continue to be displayed in St Andrew's Church through the Djilba Wildflower Festival (20 September and 24 September).

Key Dates for Schools

- Due to limited storage space, all entries must be delivered to Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village on **Friday 12 September 2pm – 5pm OR Saturday 13 September, 9am – 12pm**. Please contact us to make an alternative arrangement if neither of these times are possible (phone 9072 0094 or email community@etntac.com.au).
- Announcement and prize ceremony: **Saturday 20 September, St Andrews Anglican Church, 11am**.
- All artworks in the Schools category can be collected directly from **St Andrews Anglican Parish Centre** from **Tuesday 13 October**. The Parish office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am - 12pm and Wednesdays 10am – 12pm. Please contact Barbara on 0438 935 135 to arrange an alternative pick-up time.

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 Djilba Wildflower Festival Art Competition & Exhibition. These are sponsored by Headspace Esperance and Hope Community Services.

The theme for this year's artwork is **'Flora of the Wetlands'**. Esperance Wildflower Society botanist Ken Mills has prepared an educational resource (attached here) about wetland flora in the Kepa Kurl / Esperance region. This document 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 local **Flora of the Wetlands**. (See education sheet for examples)
- **Sustainability Award:** for the innovative use of recycled / upcycled materials.
- **Technical Skill Award:** for demonstration of strong artistic skill.

People's Choice Award

Community members will be invited to vote for their favourite school display throughout the festival. The winner of the people's choice award will be announced online and via a media release on Thursday 25th of September.

Open Category

For your reference, the **Open Category** of the Djilba Wildflower Festival Art Competition and Exhibition will also run again this year. This is additional to the **Schools Category**.

The Open Category has a General Section and a First Nations Section. There will be first and second prizes for three age groups in each Section: 12 years and under; 13-17 years; 18 years and above. There will also be a Community Group Section. Additional information is available on the Festival website.

Please contact us if you have any queries (phone 9072 0094 or email community@etntac.com.au)

We look forward to receiving your school's entries on **Friday 12 September 2pm –5pm OR Saturday 13 September, 9am – 12pm** at Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village.

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



Jennell Reynolds
Senior Ranger & Community Liaison Officer
Esperance Tjaltjraak Native Title Aboriginal Corporation

On behalf of the Festival Committee

The 2025 Djilba Wildflower Festival is presented by Esperance Tjaltjraak Native Title Aboriginal Corporation, Esperance Wildflower Society, St Andrews Anglican Parish and Esperance Community Arts.





2025 DJILBA WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ART EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION SCHOOLS ENTRY FORM

School Name:

Staff Contact Name:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Year Group: _____ Number of Student works submitted: _____

I have read and agree to the guidelines in the letter of invitation to participate in the school's category of the competition and agree to the Conditions of Entry below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Conditions of Entry

Entry forms and completed artworks must be delivered to **Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village** on **Friday 12 September 2pm – 5pm OR on Saturday 13th September 9am – 12pm**. Please contact us to make an alternative arrangement if neither of these times are possible.

The announcements and prize ceremony for the Schools Category will be **Saturday 20 September at the Djilba Wildflower Festival (St Andrews Anglican Church) at 11am**.

All artworks in the Schools category must be collected directly from **St Andrews Anglican Parish Centre from 13 October**. The Parish office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am - 12pm and Wednesdays 10am – 12pm. Please contact Barbara on 0438 935 135 to arrange an alternative pick-up time.

