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To Principals and staff of all schools in the Esperance District

2024 ESPERANCE WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ART EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION - SCHOOLS CATEGORY

Granite Species and Environments

The Esperance Wildflower Festival Committee is pleased to announce the 2024 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 Tjaltjraak Native Title Aboriginal Corporation will be coordinating this event in 2024. The artworks will continue to be displayed in St Andrew's Church through the Wildflower Festival (17 – 20 September 9am-5pm and 21 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 7 September 9am –12pm OR Monday 9 September, 2pm – 5pm**. 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: **Friday 20 September, St Andrews Anglican Church, 3.30pm**.
- All artworks in the Schools category must be collected directly from **St Andrews Anglican Parish Centre** from **Tuesday 8 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 Esperance Wildflower Festival Art Competition & Exhibition. These are sponsored by Headspace Esperance and Hope Community Services.

The theme for this year's artwork is '**Granite Species and Environments**'. Esperance Wildflower Society botanist Ken Mills, and Tjaltjraak Ranger and artist Jennell Reynolds, have prepared an educational resource (attached here) about the botanical and cultural significance of granite environments 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 **granite species and environments**.
NB: The 2024 Festival also celebrates Wudjari cultural heritage. However, please note that it is only appropriate for students of First Nations heritage to use visual arts conventions and techniques associated with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art styles.
- **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 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 **Saturday 7 September 9am –12pm OR Monday 9 September, 2pm – 5pm** at Esperance Community Arts Space, Shop 6, Museum Village.

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



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

On behalf of the Festival Committee

The 2024 Esperance Wildflower Festival is presented by Esperance Tjaltjraak Native Title Aboriginal Corporation Esperance Wildflower Society, Esperance Community Arts and St Andrews Anglican Parish.





2024 ESPERANCE 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 schools 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 **Saturday 7 September 9am –12pm OR on Monday 9 September, 2pm – 5pm**. 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 **Friday 20 September at the Esperance Wildflower Festival (St Andrews Anglican Church) at 3.30pm**.

All artworks in the Schools category must be collected directly from **St Andrews Anglican Parish Centre from 8 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.

