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WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ALLOWS ARTISTS TO BLOSSOM

Esperance artists are encouraged to explore themes of nature and belonging and to enter their work into the 2019 Act-Belong-Commit Esperance Wildflower Festival Art Exhibition and Competition to be held in September.

The art competition for school-aged children has long been a part of the annual Wildflower Festival, but this year artists of all ages have the chance to contribute work. And while all entries do need to be original works by local artists, they do not need to be newly created specifically for this competition.

Local botanist and ECA Chair Ken Mills said that the extended scope of the competition will increase interest in the wildflower festival. "This year's festival is shaping as a wonderful promotion of our local botanical treasures" he added.

Those seeking inspiration can find information about the 2019 Festival theme of bugs and the bush, and the interaction between the two, on the Wildflower Festival website, <https://www.esperancewildflowerfestival.com/>, under the heading Education Resources. Entry forms for the art competition are also available on the website.

Entries in the Open Categories (under 16 & over 16) will be exhibited in shop windows throughout the Esperance CBD from 9th - 29th September. Entries in the Schools Category, open to all students in the Esperance district, will be exhibited in the Anglican Parish Church during the Festival from 24th - 28th September. Community members will be invited to vote for People's Choice Awards in both categories and the prize winners will be announced at the Esperance Wildflower Festival on Saturday 28th September.

Prizes have been donated by Act-Belong-Commit, Southern Ports Authority and Horizon Power. For more information email us (admin@esperancecommunityarts.org.au), phone us on 9072 1158 or message us on Facebook or Instagram. Our opening hours are Tues -Fri 10am -2pm but please contact us to arrange alternative times to deliver your artwork if necessary.

Open Category Submissions close 4.30pm Tuesday 27th August and must be delivered to Esperance Community Arts Space (67 Dempster St).

School Category Submissions close 4.30pm Friday 13th September and must be delivered to the Anglican Parish Office (Cnr Andrew & Windich Street).

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