



# Media Release

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## Mural adds cultural identity to community hall

Vibrant images of the natural environment now decorate the area outside Currans Hill Community Hall as part of the Youth Public Art Participation Project.

Celebrated Aboriginal contemporary artist, Danielle Mate Sullivan worked with students from Camden High School and young people from the area to develop the designs for the mural that was installed on site this week.

“The mural is a visual asset to the area and contributes to the appeal and cultural identity of the community,” said Mayor Lara Symkowiak.

“We anticipate that it will help to activate this space and enhance a sense of pride and inclusion of young people,” she said.

Danielle’s distinctive artwork is recognised internationally, including in the private collection of former US President, Barrack Obama and talk show host, Ellen DeGeneres.

The mural artwork of local flora and fauna includes bottle brush, gumnuts and leaves, spanning 7.1 metres wide and 3.6 metres tall on the exterior wall of the community hall.

Last year, Council committed \$25,000 to the youth participation project that included two public art projects at Harrington Park Basketball Court and Currans Hill Community Centre.

The sites were chosen based on consultation with the Youth Liaison Officer and Crime Prevention Coordinator with the Camden Local Area Command, the Camden Youth Council and Council staff to improve their safety and appeal to young people.

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