

Media Release

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Exhibit your artwork at the 2019 Camden Art Prize

Camden Council is encouraging local artists and art enthusiasts to enter this year's Camden Art Prize, for their chance to display their work, gain exposure and even claim an award.

Participants have until **Friday 12 April** to submit their artwork in one of seven categories available, including:

• Open;

• Watercolour;

• Sculpture.

• Traditional;

- Works on paper;
- Local artists;
 - Photography; and

A panel of three expert judges, Warwick Fuller, Catherine Harry and Hamish Ta-mé, will assess the entries and decide the section winners as well as the overall Camden Art Prize winner.

Artist and painter, Warwick Fuller, said he will be looking for creativity.

"It may be an image never before conceived or something painted throughout history – but I'm not looking for 'Warwick Fullers'," Mr Fuller said.

"My artistic taste is broad and I want to see Camden's wide and varied art practices. I hope to find work based on sound technique, resolved ideas and a sense of communication, between me and the painter.

"My advice is to consider nothing but painting a good painting – leave compliments and sales out of the picture and paint, paint, paint!"

Mayor of Camden, Cr Peter Sidgreaves, said Camden Art Prize Committee will buy the winning artwork and donate it to Council for display as part of the Camden Council Public Art Collection.

"Held annually, this event is a large-scale showcase of works that really puts the spotlight on artists and helps promote visual arts across Camden and throughout the nation," Cr Sidgreaves said.

"Now in its 44th year, the event is a prestigious opportunity for artists at all levels to express themselves and help broaden and stimulate community perception of art and artists."

The Camden Art Prize exhibition, which is free to view, will officially open on Friday 3 May and will run for one week.

For more information, and how to enter your artwork, call Camden Civic Centre on 4655 8681 or visit camdenartprize.com.au **ENDS**

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