

Create visual art, poetry  
or creative writing  
for a chance to win  
great prizes.

# Artz Blitz

24hr  
creative  
challenge

Name is compulsory

# Kingston City Council's 2026 'Artz Blitz' Competition

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By entering into the Council's Artz Blitz Competition the entrant agrees to the following terms and conditions (**Terms**):

### Promoter

The Promoter is Kingston Arts which forms part of the Kingston City Council of 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham Victoria 3192 (**Promoter**).

### The Competition

Artz Blitz is a visual art and written word creative competition founded and administered by Kingston Arts that is open to all entrants of all artistic abilities and levels. The competition challenges participants to submit a piece of artwork in response to a nominated theme announced by the Promoter within 24 hours of its announcement (**Competition**).

The theme for the Competition will be announced on **Friday 8 May 2026**, 4pm Australian Eastern Standard time (**AEST**).

Works entered into the Competition will be judged on originality, stylistic and technical merit regarding adherence to the nominated theme. The judges' decision is final, and no further correspondence will be entered into.

### Entry requirements

Entry into the Competition is undertaken by completing a Competition registration via the Kingston Arts website ([Artz Blitz 2026 - Kingston Arts](#)) or by filling out a registration form available from the Kingston Arts Box Office at the Kingston City Hall (refer to **FAQs**).

If applying as part of a school, please email [artprograms@kingston.vic.gov.au](mailto:artprograms@kingston.vic.gov.au) . If applying as a family, please call Kingston Arts Box Office on 9556 4440.

Other than for schools and family groups, other group entries may be considered at the sole discretion of the Promoter.

Kingston City Council Staff and Councillors and their immediate family members may submit an entry into the Art Blitz 2026 Competition and have their work displayed in the exhibition, but they are ineligible to win any Competition prizes.

Entrants must be residents of the State of Victoria, Australia.

People of all ages and artistic abilities can enter into the Competition within their appropriate age bracket for the appropriate category as follows (**Categories**):

Visual Arts 2D and 3D	Creative writing	Poetry
Junior (12 and under)	Junior (12 and under)	Junior (12 and under)

Youth (13 to 17 years of age)	Youth (13 to 17 years of age)	Youth (13 to 17 years of age)
Adult (18+ years of age)	Adult (18+ years of age)	Adult (18+ years of age)

Entrants under the age of 16 must obtain the prior permission of a parent or legal guardian to enter the Competition.

It is acknowledged that a parent or a guardian may register on behalf of children under the age of 16 and people with a disability and accepts these Terms on behalf of the entrant.

**Registration is strictly limited to one entry per person, per category** (visual arts/creative writing/poetry). When registering for visual arts categories, entrants must select 2D **OR** 3D.

Entry into the Competition commences on Monday 30 March 2026 at 12pm AEST and entry into this Competition closes on **Monday 4 May 2026** (AEST) (**Entry Period**).

Any entries after the Entry Period will not be accepted.

Any entrant who, in the opinion of the Promoter, tampers or interferes with the entry process in any way, or who does not properly comply with the entry process will be ineligible for entry into the Competition and the Promoter reserves the right to:

- verify the validity of entries and the identity of entrants (including an entrant's name, age and postcode of residence); and
- disqualify any entrant for tampering with the entry process or for submitting an entry which is not in accordance with these Terms.

### **Submitting the artwork**

All work must be original and produced in the 24-hour timeframe given for Artz Blitz. The Promoter accepts no responsibility for the dropping off or collecting of the artwork by the entrant.

Participants are responsible for all costs, materials and arrangements associated with the creation, delivery and collection of their work, including any applicable insurance.

The Promoter reserves the right to exclude any material deemed offensive, unsafe, unoriginal or contrary to the spirit of Artz Blitz 2026, as a competition for all ages and a family-friendly exhibition event, or contrary to law.

While the Promoter's aim is to showcase every submitted piece during the Competition, this is subject to available space, and not all artworks may be able to be displayed.

### **Specific Terms for entrants for the Categories**

In addition to the Terms above, the following specific terms apply to the entrants for the various Categories.

#### **Visual Arts 2D and 3D Category**

1. Artwork must be delivered to Kingston Arts Centre on **Saturday 9 May 2026 between 12pm and 4pm.**

2. Artwork must be collected from Kingston Arts Centre on **Monday 22 June 2026, 10am-7pm** or **Tuesday 23 June 10am-7pm**. Works not collected during this time will be disposed of.
3. Two-dimensional works must not exceed A3 (297mm x 420mm) framed or unframed – and must be ready to hang (i.e. wired at the back and large D Rings securely affixed).
4. Three-dimensional works must not exceed 600mm (H) x 400mm (W) x 400mm (D) overall and must either sit safely on a plinth or be ready to hang (i.e. wired at the back and large D Rings securely affixed). Hung artwork must not exceed 1kg.
5. All works will be measured on arrival. Wet artworks may be accepted as long as they can be handled without causing damage to the artwork, gallery or staff.
6. Late arrivals and/or works exceeding the stated dimensions will not be eligible for judging and may be excluded from the exhibition.

### **Creative writing Category**

1. Writers respond to the theme at the same time as visual artists and may take any fiction or non-fiction format, e.g. short story, lyric etc.
2. **Adult (18+)** creative writing submissions must be between **400 – 600 words** in length.
3. **Youth (13-17)** creative writing submissions must be between **200 – 400 words** in length.
4. **Junior (12 and under)** creative writing submissions must be between **100 – 300 words** in length.
5. Written works **must be** a word document file and formatted on a white one-sided A4 size document and submitted via the online form **no later than 4pm, Saturday 9 May 2026**.
6. No hardcopies will be accepted.
7. In the online form submission entrants must include their full name, age category (junior, youth or adult), title of the piece and the final word count.
8. Late entries or entries in unreadable formats will not be accepted.

### **Poetry Category**

1. Writers respond to the theme at the same time as visual artists and may take any poetry format.
2. Poetry submissions must be short form poems of up to 14 lines.
3. All submissions must be formatted to fit on one-sided A4 page.
4. Written works **must be** a word document file and formatted on a white one-sided A4 size document and submitted via the online form **no later than 4pm, Saturday 9 May 2026**.
5. In the online form submission entrants must include their full name, age category (junior, youth or adult), title of the piece and the final word count.
6. Late entries or entries in unreadable formats will not be accepted.
7. No hardcopies will be accepted.

### **Photography and social media**

A photographer will be present at the opening events and photographs may be used by the Promoter for publicity (including print, website and or social media) and record keeping purposes. By entering the Competition, entrants give permission to the Promoter to photograph works for publicity and record keeping purposes. These photographs will not be sold and will remain the sole property of the Promoter.

If you would prefer not to be photographed, please inform the photographer.

Entrants acknowledge and agree that the Promoter may publish the details of the winners in the Promoter's communication material, including social media, website or newspapers.

### **Privacy**

The entrant acknowledges that it provides certain information to the Promoter to be used by the Promoter for the purpose of conducting and administering the Competition.

All information collected from the entrants will be treated with the utmost confidentiality and used for administrative, judging, promotional, and contact purposes only and other purposes related to this primary purpose.

Council is committed to ensuring the information provided is managed in accordance with *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (VIC)* and Council's Privacy Statement which can be found here - [Information privacy - City of Kingston](#).

The entrant gives their consent to provide their personal information to the Promoter for the purpose of the 2026 Artz Blitz Competition..

### **Indemnity and release**

Neither the Promoter nor any of its employees, contractors or agents will be liable for any liability, loss, damage, cost or expense (including but not limited to direct, indirect or consequential loss or loss of revenue or profits), or death or personal injury, suffered or incurred arising out of, or in connection with, this Competition or the provision, accepting or use of a prize.

The Promoter is not responsible for any problems or technical malfunction of any telephone network or lines, computer on-line systems, servers or providers, computer equipment, software, technical problems, or traffic congestion on the Internet or at any web site or any combination thereof, including any injury or damage to Entrants' or any other person's computer related to or resulting from participation in, or downloading of any materials in connection with, the Competition.

If for any reason the Competition is not capable of running as planned, including as a result of infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorised intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes beyond the control of the Promoter which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, safety or proper conduct of the Competition, the Promoter reserves the right in its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Competition, subject to any applicable law.

The above exclusions and limitations do not apply to any liability which cannot be excluded by law, including without limitation, the Australian Consumer Law, or to the extent that such liability arises directly from the Promoter's own negligence.

## **Entrant declaration**

By entering into the Competition, entrants declare that:

1. entrants must produce original written or visual artwork and declare that they are the creator of the artwork;
2. entrants agree that the artwork submitted for the Competition has not been copied, plagiarised, or derived from work of others without proper attribution of the original artist;
3. entrants agree that their submission has not been generated in whole or in part by any generative or artificial intelligence (AI) tool and if it is found to be so generated, the Promotor reserves the right to disqualify the entrant from the Competition;
4. entrants accept full responsibility and ensure that their creative work produced does not infringe upon any copyright or intellectual property rights of any third party;
5. by entering into the competition the entrant acknowledges and agrees to comply with the Terms of the 2026 Artz Blitz Competition.