

Friday 14 April 2023

SACE Art Show 2023 award winners celebrated

Kadina Memorial School student Lily-Anne Marks brought the Fleurieu Peninsula to life with her semi-abstract artwork *Victor Harbour*, winning the public vote for the SACE Art Show Community Award first prize.

The award will be presented at the closing ceremony held at Light Square Gallery this evening. A range of awards are presented, thanks to the generosity of sponsors including The Honourable Nat Cook Minister for Human Services, the Australian Education Union, Eckersley's Art and Craft, Flinders University, the Independent Education Union SA, and the Adelaide Central School of Art.

Each year one student's work is selected for the following year's Art Show poster. The winner of the 2023 Poster Award is Brooke Woodbridge from Thomas More College.

Her artwork, *Critically Endangered*, is a multi-layered piece exploring profound challenges our communities are facing. "This artwork was about the realisation of how ironic it was for me to see elephants as a symbol of safety and protection, when they are a critically endangered species.

"It was also a commentary on COVID-19 and the wastage of medical masks and how this impacts animals and the environment. I created a gallery version as well as a street art version, which was temporarily a wall mural at my school."

Over the last month, 141 art and design works were selected for display in the exhibition at Light Square Gallery. All works remain available to view in the online gallery for the rest of the year.

SACE Board Chief Executive Michaela Bensley applauded the diversity and creativity on display:

"The works in this year's exhibition don't just showcase the amazing talent of our young artists and designers, they are visual representations of the passion and problem solving, dedication and diligence across the thriving class of 2022. Each student has brought to life their distinctive way of expressing themselves. I love being surprised by the unpredictability of each year's exhibition.

"Whether or not these students continue a career path with art and design, I'm confident they have nurtured their passions and developed a profound appreciation for the role that creativity and expression plays in all areas of the community."

The Minister for Education, Training and Skills Blair Boyer is looking forward to celebrating with the students: "I am thrilled our SACE students are given an opportunity to showcase their work in this way. I commend their creativity and unique artistic perspective."

The virtual gallery remains open, for more information and to view the winning artworks visit <https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/events/art-show/2023/gallery>

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List of award winners 2023 SACE Art Show

SACE Art Show Community Awards – awarded through voting

First Prize (photo below)

Lily-Anne Marks from Kadina Memorial School for the work *Victor Harbour*

Runner Up

Barry Kitsi from Henley High School for the work *Don Quixote De La Mancha*

Teacher's Prize (awarded to the teacher of the first prize winner)

Karen George from Kadina Memorial School

Voter's Prize (awarded to a member of the public for voting)

Mikayla Pavy

Sponsor Awards – awarded through judging

SACE Art Show Poster Award (photo below)

Brooke Woodbridge, Thomas More College

Critically Endangered

Minister for Human Services Regional Encouragement Award winners

Mitchell Paterson, Port Lincoln High School

Public Art of Port Lincoln 2023 Calendar

Cheylen Wanganeen, Kadina Memorial School

Totems That Wander The Land

Australian Education Union SACE Art Show Award

Mia Todd, Banksia Park International High School

Requium

Eckersley's Art and Craft Encouragement Award

Rosie Lewis, Mercedes College

The Biophilia Hypothesis

Flinders University Visual Arts Award

Herschelle Castillo, Mark Oliphant College

One's Culture is Another Country's Discovery

Independent Education Union SACE Art Show Award

Alana Adams, St Francis de Sales College

The Murmur of the World

Adelaide Central School of Art Award

Shenae Gianni, Westminster School

Disfigured and Dismorphic

SACE Art Show Poster Award

Brooke Woodbridge, *Critically Endangered*



SACE Art Show Community Award First Prize

Lily-Anne Marks, *Victor Harbour*

