

### **About**

Castaways Sculpture Awards is the City of Rockingham's signature arts and culture event, celebrating environmental awareness through artistic innovation. The annual outdoor sculptural exhibition showcases artworks created from repurposed materials by emerging and professional Western Australian artists. The Castaways Schools Exhibition is an important opportunity for young people to participate in a regionally-recognised arts program.

Both primary and secondary schools within the Rockingham district are invited to design and create a sculpture from recycled materials for public exhibition alongside emerging and professional artists. Many benefits have been reported by teachers in previous years and we hope to introduce to students how important messages can be effectively promoted through engaging channels which is important for future community leaders.

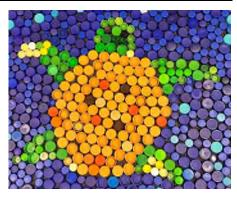
#### 2024 Timeline

Monday 11 March 2024	Entries open
3.30pm Wednesday 27 March 2024	Information Webinar. Registration is required online.
4pm Friday 17 May 2024	Entries close
By Friday 31 May 2024	Letters of notification are sent by email
Monday 5 August 2024	High quality photo of accepted artworks (or component of the work) are due for the catalogue to the Curator
Friday 20 September 2024	Final progress update and images of artwork are due to the Curator
Wednesday 23 October 2024	Schools Exhibition artwork installation at Churchill Park
Saturday 26 October 2024	Awards Presentation at the Gary Holland Community Centre
Saturday 26 October 2024 – Sunday 3 November 2024	Castaways Sculpture Awards 2024 Exhibition
Monday 4 November 2024	De-installation

#### **Selection Criteria**

A panel will select artworks to be exhibited based on the following selection criteria:

- Thoughtful and creative use of recycled and repurposed components.
- Clear and detailed concept design.
- Succinct description of work.
- Succinct construction and installation information including how the work is secured.
- Overall strength of vision and concept.
- Consideration of public safety and interaction.



SMYL Community College, *How will* you care for your oceans?, chicken wire, drink bottle lids, recycled plastic, ribbon, Castaways Sculpture Awards 2023.



Awards and Judging Criteria

\$500 Primary School Award	Awarded to the primary school that demonstrates overall excellence in sculpture through the use of recycled materials in an innovative way.
\$500 Secondary School Award	Awarded to the secondary school that demonstrates overall excellence in sculpture through the use of recycled materials in an innovative way.
\$250 People's Choice Award - Schools Exhibition	Presented to the school whose work receives the most votes from members of the public.



Rockingham Beach Primary School, *Tangled Web*, papier-mâché, fabric scraps, mannequin, PVC pipe, Castaways Sculpture Awards 2019 People's Choice Award Winner.

## **Teacher Support**

In 2024, two Castaways Schools Facilitators will be available to provide:

- Technical guidance as required and act as a single point of contact for teachers, and
- assistance seeking an Artist in Residence at the school's expense.

# Need assistance while preparing for your entry submission?

Whether it's questions about the application process or guidance on your artwork, don't hesitate to contact the Schools Facilitators.

# What will be involved for my class and me?

- The creation of one (1) recycled sculpture during Term 2.
- Complete and submit Castaways Sculpture Awards Schools Exhibition Entry Form online on behalf of the school class. Please ensure you have read the Terms and Conditions of entry first.
- Provide a copy of the school's Public Liability Insurance.
- Facilitate a design process driven by the students.
- Teachers are responsible at all times for the supervision of students during this project.
- Schools will be required to source or collect suitable recycled materials.
- Schools selected will be responsible for the installation of their sculpture on Wednesday 23 October 2024 at Churchill Park, Rockingham and de-installation Monday 4 November 2024, at times advised by the Curator.



- Each school can apply to be reimbursed a total fee of \$100 for a representative to attend installation and de-installation. Reimbursements are paid after the Castaways Exhibition (no receipts required) and after teachers' feedback forms are submitted to the City.
- Works must be able to withstand the weather elements including rain, wind and storms, for the duration of the 10 day exhibition.
- School representatives of two teachers and two students will be invited to the Awards Presentation – photo permission forms must be signed (by a parent or guardian of the student) and returned by the RSVP deadline.

## How can my school get involved?

Entries open on Monday 11 March 2024 and close at 4pm Friday 17 May 2024. The entry form is available online at rockingham.wa.gov.au/castaways

The entry process will require a detailed description and design of the sculpture. Size limits apply – please read the Terms and Conditions carefully.

## **School Excursions**

Schools are encouraged to consider an excursion to the exhibition for participating students. The City is offering up to four local primary and secondary schools a reimbursement of \$300 toward bus hire fees. Please contact the City for more information.

Castaways Education Activity Sheets are available online to facilitate a teacher-led school excursion during the exhibition. Activity sheets have been developed for age groups, 3-7, 8-11 and 12-15 years, informed by WA Curriculum outcomes.

A limited number of guided tours by the Curator or Castaways Schools Facilitator will also be available for schools.

Teachers remain responsible for the safety and wellbeing of students at all times during these excursions.



#### Resources

#### **REmida WA**

REmida is a Perth based company that collects and clean recyclable materials that can be safely used for art and education settings. REmida offer professional development for teachers and school incursions visit remidawa.com for more information.

#### **Rockingham Beach Cleans**

Has a wide array of salvaged objects from their beach cleaning to donate. Contact rockinghambeachcleans@gmail.com or phone 0400 661 517.

#### **Artist in Residence**

Assistance seeking an artist in residence (at the schools' expense) is available for all schools. Contact the Schools Facilitators on the below details for further information.



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Please use the subject line: Castaways School Competition – Enquiry – School

Name

For more information, visit rockingham.wa.gov.au/castaways or call 9528 0333.



Endeavour Education Support Centre, *The Broken Throne*, recycled broken plastic toys and an old school chair, Castaways Sculpture Awards 2020.