

31 West Chambers Art Prize

Terms and Conditions

Key Dates

Entries Open:

7 December 2023

Entries Close:

16 February 2024

Award Announced:

22 March 2024

Winning Prize:

\$10,000

Eligibility Criteria

1. Artists must be based in Australia. In the event of any uncertainty about whether an artist satisfies this criterion, the decision of 31 West Chambers on the matter shall be final.
2. There is no limit to the number of entries an artist may submit. However, a separate entry form and application fee must accompany each entry.
3. Artworks must be the original work of the artist, not currently owned by any other person and available, if selected, for exhibition during the full exhibition period of 11 March 2024 to 10 March 2025.
4. Entries must be submitted via the online entry form. Entrants will be asked for the artist's details, artwork details, a 50-word statement about the artwork, and an image of the artwork (files should be no larger than 10MB).
5. A non-refundable entry fee of \$45 (incl. GST) per entry must also be paid at the time of application. Artists will be asked to provide a confirmation of payment as part of their entry form. Entries will not be accepted until the entry fee has been received. If you would like a receipt, please contact reception@31west.com.au.
6. Entries must be received before 11pm on **Friday, 16 February 2024**.
7. The competition is open to all mediums, excluding videos and moving image. The artwork must be wall-mountable and fit within dimensions of 1.5m x 2m. Alternatively, sculptured works must not exceed 0.5m² x 120cm in height.
8. Artworks must not exceed 10kg per panel.

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Judging and Exhibition Criteria

9. There will be two rounds of judging. In the first round of pre-selection, finalist works will be selected by a panel of judges appointed by 31 West Chambers, based on the images provided upon entry. Finalists shall be notified of their selection by **5pm on Friday, 1 March 2024**, and all other participants shall be notified of the decision as soon as practicable thereafter. The judges' decision will be final.
10. Finalist artworks selected for exhibition must be delivered to 31 West Chambers between the hours of **10am and 4pm on Thursday, 7 March 2023 or Friday, 8 March 2023**, at the artist's expense. If any artist anticipates difficulties in complying with this timeframe, they are encouraged to contact 31 West Chambers as soon as possible after the announcement of finalists. Unless an acceptable alternative arrangement can be achieved, failure to deliver the finalist artwork by the required time may result in the revocation of finalist status, at the discretion of 31 West Chambers.
11. Entries must be suitably framed and ready for hanging, including with 'D' rings, and hanging wire. No works will be pinned to the walls. Please note that wet paintings, or artworks which may otherwise cause damage to the property of 31 West Chambers, will not be accepted.
12. Entries must be clearly labelled on the back with the artist's name, address, phone number title of the artwork, year, medium, and price.
13. Finalists' artworks must be available for the full 12-month duration of the exhibition period, from **11 March 2024 to 10 March 2025**. Artworks will be displayed at the absolute discretion of 31 West Chambers.
14. Reasonable care will be taken in the handling of all artworks. However, 31 West Chambers will not be responsible for any loss or damage, howsoever caused, to any work while in its custody. Insurance for the artwork during the exhibition period and in transit remains the responsibility of the artist.
15. The winning artwork will be judged by two independent judges, one from each of the legal profession and the Queensland arts community. In the event the judges are unable to reach a unanimous decision, each will nominate a single artwork to which they wish to award the prize, and the ultimate winner shall be selected by popular vote at the awards evening. The identity of the judges is to be announced.

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16. The winner of the \$10,000 cash prize will be announced at the award evening on **Friday, 22 March 2024**. The winning artwork will then be exhibited at 31 West Chambers from 11 March 2024 to 10 March 2025.
17. A 10% commission will be retained in the event any artworks submitted to the competition are sold during the award evening or whilst exhibited at 31 West Chambers.
18. Artists are encouraged to notify their representative gallery that the artwork is being entered into the 31 West Chambers Art Prize. The organisers acknowledge the interest and investment of representative galleries and will facilitate the payment of any commissions owing to the gallery if notified prior to the time of purchase.
19. By entering the 31 West Chambers Art Prize, the artist consents to images of their work being reproduced and their biographical information used for the purposes of advertising and publicising the exhibition, the 31 West Chambers Art Prize, and for catalogue production.
20. At the conclusion of the exhibition, all unsold works must be collected from 31 West Chambers during the hours of 10am and 4pm, on any day between **Monday, 17 March 2025** and **Friday, 21 March 2025**.
21. Any works not collected within the time specified will be stored at 31 West Chambers and, in the absence of appropriate arrangements, will be deemed to be the property of 31 West Chambers upon the expiry of a further three months, and may be disposed of at 31 West Chambers' absolute discretion.

For all enquiries, contact reception@31west.com.au or (07) 3333 9921.