



Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Art Exhibition

The Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Art Exhibition is back for another exciting year!

We are calling all creative or artistic, young people between the ages of 5 and 18 to be part of the Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Exhibition! Unleash your creativity with this year's theme of **"My Favourite Thing About Spring"**. Create work that showcases something you love about Spring.

Release your imagination, inspiration, and vision by grabbing your brushes, pencils, paints, camera, or clay and enter your best A4 sized, original artwork!

This is an exciting opportunity for Wide Bay artists aged 5–18 to express themselves creatively to this year's theme of "My Favourite Thing About Spring", showcase their artwork professionally and have a chance to win fantastic prizes!

There are great prizes on offer, plus the overall People's Choice winner, which will be announced at the Woodgate Arts in Spring Artisan Markets on Monday 5 October.

The category age groups are: 5–7 years, 8–10 years, 11–13 years, 14–18 years, with a first and runner up prize for each group, and People's choice award.

For more information and to enter, visit

<https://woodgate.events/events/arts-in-spring/youth-art-exhibit>

KEY DATES

DATE	DESCRIPTION
Mon 27 July	Youth Exhibition announced Start creating your work of art and register online.
Mon 14 September	Registrations close! Don't miss your chance to be part of the show! Sign up before it's too late!
Drop off before Mon 21 Sept	Art Drop-off Deliver your masterpiece! Art Plus Bundaberg, Childers Library & Gin Gin Regional Courthouse Gallery. OR Drop off at the Woodgate Community Hall on 30 th September between 10am to 2pm. OR Post to: PO Box 144, Woodgate QLD 4660

Sat 3 – Mon 5 October	Exhibition open Saturday – Sunday 8.30am – 7.30pm Monday 8.00am – 1pm Come along and check out your work in the Youth Exhibition. Your artwork will shine bright for everyone to see!
Mon 5 October	Awards Presentation – Sponsored by Art Plus and Picture Framing Friends and families are welcome to come along and show support for young artists, vote in the People's Choice, and enjoy the day! The Winners and People's Choice will be announced from 12pm. Collection of artworks from 1pm Don't forget to pick up your prized creation!

CATEGORIES:

- 5 to 7 years
- 8 to 10 years
- 11 to 13 years
- 14 to 18 years

We ask parents, guardians, and teachers to respect the age guidelines of the prize. Artists are able to submit **one A4 artwork** per person for inclusion in the exhibition.

ELIGIBILITY

The Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Art Exhibition is open to youth aged between 5 – 18 years old who live in or near Woodgate, Bundaberg, Childers, and/or Gin Gin.

- Artworks must be **A4 sized** and able to be pinned or have D-rings for display.
- All artworks must weight under 2kg.
- All artworks must be **clearly labelled** with artists name and artwork title.
- All artworks must have an artist statement (max 55 words). *Tell me about this artwork. What inspired you? Why is that your favourite thing about Spring? E.g., This artwork shows me on a picnic with my family. One of our favourite things to do together in the Springtime is going on picnics and nature walks etc.*
- Use of AI is not permitted in this exhibition
- **All artworks must be original, created in 2026, and not copied from other artworks**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

THEME

The theme is “My Favourite Thing About Spring” and can be interpreted however you like. What story would you like to share? What does it make you feel? What is special about this story?

MEDIUM

A4 sized artworks only will be accepted across a broad range of mediums including drawing, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture etc.

PRESENTATION OF WORK

Artworks must be suitable for public exhibition in a community hall environment. We ask that entries follow the below guidelines:

- Drawings, photography or works on paper should be mounted on an **A4** sheet of black cardboard or mountboard only. Pins will be used to display the artworks. Framing is not required.
- Paintings on board or canvas must be delivered with D-rings on the rear of the artwork. Wet paintings will not be accepted.

JUDGING

All accepted artworks will be judged. The judges reserve the right to not award a prize in any category if no entries are deemed suitable. The judges reserve the right to disqualify an artwork that is copied. The judges' decision will be final, and no subsequent discussion will be entered into. Unfortunately, individual feedback cannot be given due to the number of entries received.

PRIZES

Prizes include: \$50 per category winner and \$25 per category for the runner up. All entries into the

Youth Exhibition are also eligible for the People's Choice Award.

SALE OF WORKS

Artworks in the Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Exhibition are not for sale.

RECEIPT OF ENTRIES

Entries must be entered through the online portal before 11:59pm 14 September 2026. If you have any problems with the online form, email secretary@woodgate.events

Artwork must be delivered to one of the following locations no later than 21 September 2026:

Art Plus and Picture Framing - 15 Electra St, Bundaberg Central QLD 4670

Childers Library - 49 Churchill St, Childers QLD 4660

Gin Gin Regional Courthouse Gallery - 80A Mulgrave St, Gin Gin QLD 4671

Alternatively, artworks can be dropped at the Woodgate Community Hall on 30th September, 10am to 2pm.

Or posted to PO Box 144, Woodgate QLD 4660.

To arrange alternate delivery, contact secretary@woodgate.events

CURATORIAL DECISION

The Curator and President of Woodgate Community Events reserve the right to change, deny or remove any work of art, signage or wording placed in the gallery that is deemed inappropriate, unsuitable, poorly presented, or offensive to public taste. Entry does not guarantee that your work will be displayed. Artists and their teacher/parent/guardian will be informed of this decision.

AWARD PRESENTATION

Winners will be announced during the awards presentation at 12pm on Monday 5 October at the Woodgate Community Hall Outdoor Stage. Should this not be possible, the winners' announcement will be released on Woodgate Community Events' social media channels (Facebook, Instagram) and website at 5pm Monday 5 October instead. All entrants will be considered for their respective age category prize and the People's Choice award.

The People's Choice Award will be voted on for the duration of the exhibition. The People's Choice winner will also be announced via Woodgate Community Events social media channels (Facebook and Instagram) and website. Entrants are reminded that the joy of exhibiting, and the sharing of their artistic talents, are the real prizes of the event, and will receive a certificate of participation.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Throughout the Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Art Exhibition, members of the public can vote for the People's Choice Prize. Only 1 vote per person will be counted. Voting will close strictly at 11am and the winner will be announced during the award presentation at 12pm.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The information you supply in this form will only be accessed by the Curator and the Woodgate Community Events Secretary. It will be stored within Woodgate Community Events website for the duration of the exhibition for as long as necessary during which time you may access or amend it. Your information will only be given to a third party with your consent or if required by legislation.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Participants and their guardians, exhibiting in the Woodgate Arts in Spring Youth Art Exhibition also agree to have their work and themselves photographed for promotional purposes related to the Youth Art Exhibition. This would include receiving the award/runner-up prize on stage, and an image of themselves with their artwork. The photographs would then be used for print media such as newsletters or newspaper article, and Woodgate Community Events' social media pages and website for 2027 festival promotion of the Youth Exhibition. Participants who do not wish to have their images used for these purposes should contact secretary@woodgate.events to notify of this prior to July 1, 2027.

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