

Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Name	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	Meeting No.	D-25-012650
Meeting Date	14 February 2025		
Meeting Time	10:00am		
Meeting Location	Geraldton Regional Library – Randolph Stow Rooms		
Attendance by Electronic Means	Nil		
Attendees	Voting Members: Cr Steve Cooper – Presiding Member Cr Kim Parker Roni Kerley – Yamaji Art Alysha Saunders – Community Rep Susan Smith – Community Rep Mark Lennard – Community Rep Annalise Fosbery – Community Rep City Support Officers: Trudi Cornish – CGG Fiona Norling - CGG Briony Bray – CGG Shauni Norman – CGG (Minutes)	By Invitation	Nil
		Apologies	Cr Jenna Denton Deputy Presiding
		Leave of Absence	
		Absent	
		Distribution	As listed
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6.1 14 November 2024

Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

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1 Declaration Of Opening

The Deputy Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 10:00am

2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 Welcome and Apologies

The Deputy Presiding Member welcomed the members and apologies were noted from: Cr Cooper, Cr Parker, R Kerley and F Norling.

4 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

5 Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

6 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee Meeting held on 01 August 2024 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**COMMITTEE DECISION:
MOVED AF, SECONDED ML**

CARRIED 6/0

Not Voted: 0
Against Votes: 0
For Votes: 6

Name	Vote (For or Against)
Cr Cooper	NOT PRESENT
Cr Denton	For
Cr Parker	NOT PRESENT
Cr Keemink	For
R Kerly	NOT PRESENT
A Fosbery	For
S Smith	For
M Lennard	For
A Saunders	For

6.1 Action Log

GRAAC – 24 - Completed.

GRAAC – 25 - Completed.

7 Draft Public Art Masterplan (PAM)

The Committee had been provided the opportunity to review the most recent version following the out of session circulation. The revised document is scheduled for presentation to Council in February 2025.

ACTION - TC to review other City master plans and strategies for consistency and assess possible adjustments to "priority groups" (suggested as a traffic light approach).

ACTION - Alter "Priority Groups" terminology to something less that holds less urgency, suggestion for "opportunities".

The Committee noted once the document has been through final formatting the lay out will be altered to suit City style guides which will resolve some points raised by the Committee for improvement.

8 Art Gallery Exterior Update

The Committee noted that the City Officers are working towards an adequate solution which will be a combination of more hanging banners and louver system pending approval from State Heritage with Capital nomination request in place for the implantation.

9 Rocks Laneway Activation

The Committee noted that the Lauren Kennedy mural is now completed and is well suited for the colour pallet within the area.

10 Reports to be Received

Reports were marked as read and received by the Committee.

10.1 Coordinator Report

Highlights from report

Member exhibition has successfully launched

Indian Ocean Craft Triennial presentation

Big Sky collaboration

10.2 Public Art Officer Report

Seeking two community members to assist in bus shelter selection.

SS and AF to assist.

Noted five artists for Pets of Summer submissions received – seeking attendance from Committee members to be a part of the launch during Christmas on the Terrace (COTT), the works will be on display at various City locations for eight weeks.

As a part of COTT, the Gallery team will take part in initiative whereby the community will be involved to create a Fish Sculpture.

Cr Keemink left the meeting at 11:31am

11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be called as business arises that requires input or a recommendation from the Committee.

The Committee noted the suggestion of a Friday is more suited to most members.

12 Close

There being no further business the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 11:33am

7 Draft Public Art Masterplan

9 Public Art Concept Idea

10 Reports to be Received

10.1 Coordinator Report

Embedded Attachment

GRAAC REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2024 TO JANUARY 2025

COORDINATOR GALLERY AND PUBLIC ART

Prepared by Briony Bray

- **Mid West Arts Members Exhibition 2024 and INTERCO – Codes in Parallel 2024**

MID WEST ARTS MEMBERS EXHIBITION

The Members Exhibition was an exhibition featuring 49 artworks from our new Members in the Mid West Arts Membership. This open-themed exhibition involves works from a variety of mediums, with artists at all stages of their careers. This exhibition has been greatly received by locals and travellers alike.

Artists also had the opportunity to sell their exhibited pieces through this exhibition, with 10 artworks sold.

A Members Morning Tea was held on the last weekend of the exhibition, with 58 people in attendance. A handful of new members signed up through this event.

INTERCO - CODES IN PARALLEL an Indian Ocean Triennial Australia 2024 Exhibition

INTERCO exhibition at the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery (GRAG) brought together four groups from across the Greater Geraldton Region, Northampton and Dongara; Geraldton Pottery Club, Northampton Creative Obsessions, Dongara Pottery Club and the Auger Green Collective.

This exhibition was part of the Indian Ocean Craft Triennial 24, a Western Australian festival celebrating craft and the process of making. An Artist Talk was organised by IOTA with three participating artists in INTERCO. Carola Akindele-Obe and Jude van der Merve, co-organisers, attended.

Selected artworks were available for sale, and five of these sold. Further encouraging the artists to continue creating.

Other Event Highlights:

St Francis Xavier Primary School Excursions (over 150 people over 2 days)

- **National Photographic Portrait Prize 2023 - A National Portrait Gallery touring exhibition and GENESIS 2024**

National Photographic Portrait Prize 2023

Established by the National Portrait Gallery to support and celebrate photographic portraiture in Australia, the NPPP was first awarded in 2007 and has since become a highlight of the National Portrait Gallery's annual calendar, attracting thousands of entries each year from amateur and professional photographers around the country.

Included in this exhibition was Elliot Brown, a local Geraldton photographer and previous prize winner in the Mid West Art Prize. NPG organised for Elliot to do an Artist Talk in December, followed by an Artist Talk with Martine Perret, another Western Australian photographer.

NPG are very supportive, and even sent their own Touring Coordinator to assist in the install, and help the GRAG team with a re-fresher on working with crates and condition reporting high-value loan items.

GENESIS 2024

GENESIS is our annual survey of the best and brightest Visual Art Secondary Students in Greater Geraldton. This exhibition features a selection of artwork from years 7-12, showcasing our emerging local artists in 2024.

There are Overall Winner and Highly Commended awards for each year level, which were awarded on the Opening Night.

Other Event Highlights:

Polymer Clay Workshops with Debbie Crothers (held in both Mullewa and Geraldton)

Make a Mini Trinket Box Workshop as part of the School Holiday Activities



- **Stairwell Gallery**

The Stairwell Gallery utilises the space between the Ground Floor and the First Floor. This space has a small, curated exhibition of works from the Collection, rotating with the exhibitions.

Local Icons:

Featuring Tim Williams' *Fallen Icon*, this painting of the iconic Point Moore Lighthouse is a recognisable location, bringing together our two local art exhibitions in the Ground Floor Gallery and First Floor Gallery through this captivating large painting.

- **Mid West Arts Membership Program**

Currently, we have 85 members signed up to the program.

Newly created, we also welcome our new Mid West Arts – Directory! This page on the GRAG website features artists and artist groups that have signed up to the program, as one of their many benefits. This is a simple way for people to see a snapshot of some of the artists in the Mid West, and the details to contact them. This is an opt-in benefit.

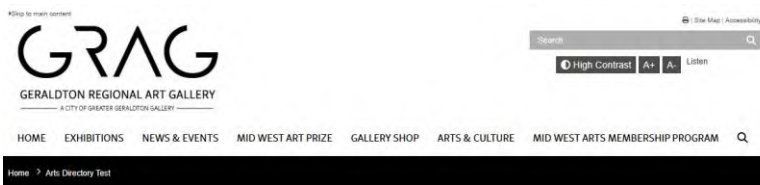
Held on 22 January, we also had the Mid West Arts Networking Evening. Open to all in the community, this is a chance for artists and arts organisations to get together and make meaningful connections. GRAG also presents the program for the year, and the upcoming workshops, events and opportunities for local artists.

Event Highlights:

Mid West Arts Open Day

Mid West Arts Morning Tea

Mid West Arts Networking Evening




Mid West Arts - Art Directory

As part of the Mid West Arts Membership Program, Members are invited to list themselves on the Art Directory. This is a platform to support and promote local artists practicing and living in the Mid West Region. Through this Art Directory, you can find local artists and contact them directly or find out where their studio/shop/stockist locations are to purchase work, or commission works directly through the artist. This list is not extensive, and we encourage you to reach out to the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery directly if you are looking for more information.

Artists and associated businesses listed in the Art Directory are not endorsed by the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery or the City of Greater Geraldton. You should make your own assessment when selecting an artist or associated business to carry out work.


Artists are listed A-Z.



Cam Fitzgerald

Cam is a multidisciplinary artist inspired by the natural world. Working primarily with drawing and painting, Cam blends meticulous detail with unexpected elements to convey themes of connection, transformation, and storytelling.

Contact Details: camfitzgerald.art@gmail.com
 Studio Location: Studio - 2975 North West Coastal Hwy, Howatharra WA
 Instagram: @muddielark



Cristina Gaylor

Mixed media artist and Silversmith.
 Instagram & Facebook: @crissymakes



- **Other:**

GRAG is continuously making new connections with other arts organisations and communities. As part of this, a representative from GRAG (Briony, Coordinator Gallery and Public Art), sat on the Mid West Creative Ecology Summit which will be on 6 February. Organised by Regional Arts WA, this event is an opportunity to network and define the creative ecology of our unique Mid West Community.

Additional Workshops and Collaborations:

Bambi School Holiday Group Gallery Tour

Digital Tour as part of Seniors Week activities, played in the QPT

Workshops with Wren Richards, in collaboration with DADAA

Walk + Cuppa with The Geraldton Project

Explore Creative Practice through Sketchbooks! Workshop as part of the Propel Youth Sketchbook Project



MID WEST CREATIVE ECOLOGY SUMMIT

Thursday 6 February 2025
 Queens Park Theatre, Geraldton
 Yamatji Country, Jambinu

Presented by **REGIONAL ARTS WA**

Get your tickets here: 
www.regionalartswa.org.au

Logos for sponsors: MID WEST DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, Department of Local Government, Arts & Culture, LibraryWest, and Geraldton City Council.

Exhibition Attendance Figures (last 4 months): 3,192

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Briony Bray

10.2 Public Art Officer Report
Embedded Attachment

GRAAC REPORT FOR November 2024 – January 2025

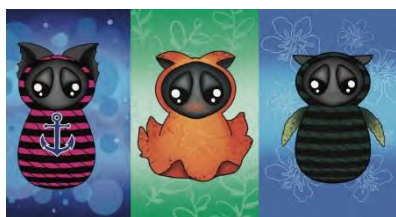
COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC ART

Prepared by Marnie Facchini and Kelli Dawson

- **Public Art on Bus Shelters**

Thank you to Committee members; Susan Smith and Annalise Fosbery, for assisting the Community and Public Art Officers with the shortlisting of Public Art on Bus Shelters EOI's. The following three artworks have been selected for the three new bus shelter locations.

1. Artist: Sarah Edge
Location: Hall Road, Waggrakine



2. Artist: Cam Fitzgerald
Location: Glenfield Shopping Centre, Sunset Beach



3. Artist: Janeen Horne
Location: Webber Road, Moresby



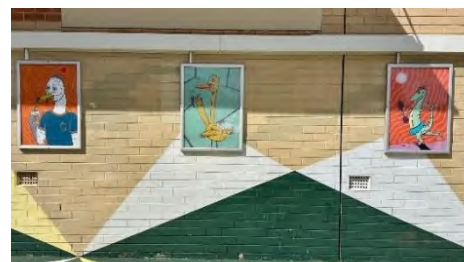
- **Post Office Lane Lightbox Gallery**

Currently displaying *Dibble Dabble* by local artist, Luke Barlow.

Upcoming exhibitions:

February – April 2025: *Lily – seashore explorer* by Peta Riley

May – July 2025: *Turtles* by Tahira Kelly

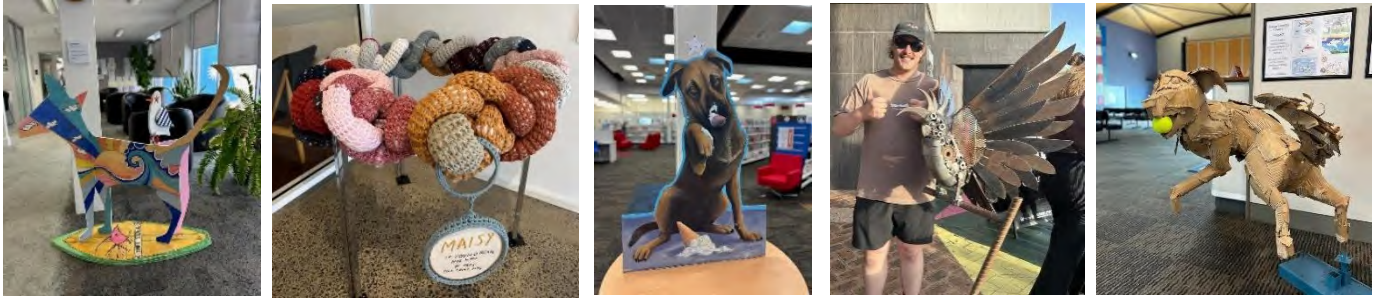


Expressions of Interest now open for the 2025/26 Exhibitions. EOI's close 2 April 2025.

- **Pets of Summer**

Themed around our much-loved pets – five *Pets of Summer* sculptural artworks have been on display at various City facilities (Civic Centre, GRAG, Library, Aquarena, and Airport) from 13 December 24 – 7 February 25.

This project was officially opened at the Christmas on the Terrace event, with a colouring-in activity (detailed below) and a People's Choice voting opportunity for the sculptures. William Pike won the People's Choice with his artwork *Uno the Cockatoo*.



- **Community Engagement**

In celebration of the *Pets of Summer* Public Art Initiative, children were asked to create and decorate paper scales. The scales then became the body of a beautiful collaborative fish installation. This workshop took place during the Christmas on the Terrace 2024 event, engaging through young people through the Arts.



- **Upcoming Projects**

Public Art Map: Design update and inclusion of new public artworks.

Wonthella Ablution Block Project: This project will engage primary school children via mixed media collage workshops, with a focus on bugs and insects. They will be playful and colourful, and the theme aims to encourage observation and connection to nature, add diversity to the City's mural themes of birds, wildflowers and sea things, and act as a precursor to GRAG's August exhibition '*Spiders of Paradise*'. The finished mural will be a digital collage printed on vinyl application over the painted brick, the same format as the library entrance mural. Project to be completed by June 2025.

Cape Burney Sculptural Artwork: Identify potential locations in Cape Burney to have a large-scale sculptural artwork as referenced in the Public Art Masterplan 2025-2030 (DRAFT).

- **Public Art Maintenance**

PA 204 – Kingfisher's Flight: Artist, Imogen Palmer will be in Geraldton from 6 – 7 February to repaint the section of the mural that is currently blank. Due to extremely windy conditions, the screws on the existing sign came loose, resulting in the sign completely falling off.

PA 160 - Wind Sails: The Wind Sails have been re-installed.

PA 176 - Mullewa ANZAC Memorial: Two new photographic images (on vinyl application) have been installed on the large brick wall at the Australian War Memorial site in Mullewa. An additional two images will be added to this wall with the aim to have it all completed by Anzac Day 2025.

PA 180 – Everlasting Impressions Mullewa: Quotes have been sourced from local contractors for the rust removal on the sculpture. Public Art Officer organising a meeting with XW Engineering to visit their workshop to go over the different processes that may be suitable to complete the work onsite.

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Marnie Facchini and Kelli Dawson

11 Date of next meeting

Held as required.

12 Close