

# Call for Entries

## Exhibition 27 September 2026 – 23 October 2026

The Inaugural Lysaght Watt Trust Art Award was held in 2013 at the Lysaght Watt Gallery in Hawera, South Taranaki. We acknowledge and thank the Lysaght Watt Trust who sponsor the major prize of \$3000. This significant prize plus other sponsored prizes means the competition continues to draw entries from artists throughout New Zealand.

### Theme: Open

The competition is a “no theme” competition. Any subject or artistic expression is welcome. This is a SELECTED WORKS exhibition. 2D and 3D works will be eligible for the major overall award of \$3,000. The organisers have the right to refuse offensive or inappropriate material.

### Essential Dates:

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| • Deadline for Entry Forms, Entry Fee and Artist Notes: | 30 June 2026               |
| • Notification of selection                             | Fri 31 July 2026           |
| • Timeframe for receipt of art work/s:                  | 7 - 12 September 2026      |
| • Opening of Art Exhibition and Results Announced:      | Saturday 26 September 2026 |
| • Artwork available for collection/courier pickup       | 28 – 30 October 2026       |

### Payment Details:

The entry fee is \$40 and is non refundable. Payment by direct credit may be made to: -

Account Name: STAGE Inc. Lysaght Watt Trust Art Award  
Account Number: 15-3950-0581260-03  
Reference: Surname and two initials

## Conditions of Entry

1. Entries are limited to ONE entry per artist. Entry forms and fee must be received by 30 June 2026 and late entries will **NOT** be accepted.
2. The competition is open for both 2D and 3D works in any media.
  - a. The artwork must be the artist’s own and is not copied from the artwork of any other artist.
  - b. The horizontal side including frame of 2D work must not exceed 750mm and the depth (front to back) is not to exceed 100mm
  - c. 3D work must not exceed 750mm in any direction and must not exceed 10KG
3. All artwork must be for sale. A commission of 30% will be charged on all sales (and GST if applicable) and must be included in the sales price shown on your entry form. If you are GST registered, please provide your GST number.
4. Artwork that has previously been exhibited in Taranaki or Whanganui will not be accepted.

5. All works selected must remain in the gallery, including works sold, until the closure of the exhibition on 23 October 2026
6. Entries are subject to selection before exhibition in the Gallery. The organisers have the right to refuse offensive or inappropriate material.
7. STAGE Inc. (South Taranaki Art Gallery and Exhibitions Inc.) as the owners of the Lysaght Watt Gallery, will take all care of entries but will not accept responsibility or liability for any loss or damage which may occur. Artists are responsible for arranging insurance for their artwork.
8. All artwork must be ready to hang or display. 2D work may be framed or unframed but must have weight specific D-rings attached, preferably 70 mm from the top. Artwork not ready to hang or display will be disqualified. Wet artwork will not be accepted.
9. Works being displayed on a plinth may need to include a supporting stand or mount to ensure they are secure and stable when freestanding. This is the artists responsibility to provide.
10. All artwork must be clearly labelled on the back with the artist's name, address, date and title.
11. The judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. The judging panel is independent of the organisers.
12. The organisers have the right to use photographs of artwork for promotional and advertising purposes (including our social media and website) for this or subsequent exhibitions.

## Delivery and Collection

Entries are to be delivered to Lysaght Watt Art Gallery, 121 High Street Hawera 4610 between the hours of 10am and 4pm Monday 6 September to Saturday and be received no later than Saturday, 11 September 2026.

Artworks must be securely packaged and delivered free of all charges with a PRE-Paid return freight ticket included. Artists will be contacted if their art work is sold. We will return your pre-paid ticket by post.

Unsold works must be picked up from the Gallery from Tuesday 28 to Friday 30 October between the hours of 10 am and 4 PM.

## How to Enter

Please complete the official entry form, together with the non-refundable \$40 entry fee (see bank details above) and 1 image Size file limit 15MB to [artawards.lwg@gmail.com](mailto:artawards.lwg@gmail.com)