
Art Collection Policy

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1. Objectives

This policy will ensure the City of Wanneroo Art Collection is:

- **Of high artistic and technical standards**
- **Diverse in art form and approach**
- **Is supportive of local artists where possible**
- **Well maintained, interpreted and promoted**
- **Enjoyed and appreciated by residents and visitors**
- **Responsive to the culture and character of the community**

2. Statement

The City of Wanneroo is committed to developing and managing a quality Art Collection that represents a cultural and financial investment for the City.

To achieve the objectives, the City of Wanneroo will:

- a) **acquire artworks of both a traditional and contemporary nature;**
- b) **acquire artworks that represent a cultural and/or financial investment for the City;**
- c) **provide residents of the City with access to high quality art within the City; and**
- d) **support the development of local artists.**

3. Guidelines

3.1 Art Purchases

Art purchases can include works of all mediums. The collection shall be developed by acquiring artworks that adhere to one of the following:

- a) **Quality artwork by contemporary West Australian artists**

- b) Thematically relate to the City of Wanneroo
- c) Created by individual artists living and working within the City of Wanneroo
- d) Prize winner City of Wanneroo Acquisitive Art Award/s.

3.2 Identification of Art Works

The Arts Development Officer will identify suitable artworks for acquisition and inform committee members prior to presenting them to the Chief Executive Officer. He/she will consider all offers of gifts, donations and bequests and advise the Chief Executive Officer as to the suitability and acceptability of the artwork as part of the Art Collection. Only the Arts Development Officer will have the right to formally reserve art works.

3.3 Purchasing Procedures

When an appropriate artwork has been identified and recommended by the Arts Development Officer, purchasing of said artwork will be as follows:

1. Artworks \$5000 and under

The Chief Executive Officer may purchase Artworks \$5000 and under which are recommended for purchase by the Arts Development Officer. On receiving said advice the Chief Executive Officer may decide not to proceed with the recommended purchase or may refer the purchase to Council the Arts Advisory Committee if appropriate.

2. Artworks \$5000 and over

A formal report to Council must be made with the recommendation of the Arts Development Officer and Art Advisory Committee.

3.4 Art Management

The City of Wanneroo will manage the collection by:

- a) Implementing a database of all acquired artwork including public art, donations, and any artwork currently on loan;
- b) Institute a program of reasonable care and maintenance for the collection;
- c) Maximise access to the collection by:
 - circulating artworks throughout City of Wanneroo staffed venues and public reception areas. The positioning and handling of this artwork will be the responsibility of the City's Arts Development Officer.
 - organising displays within the City.
- d) Having the Collection professionally valued every two years to ensure it is adequately insured.

3.5 *Art Loans*

As part of its exhibition program, the City of Wanneroo may enter into arrangements with other institutions and individuals to loan works of art for public exhibition. The City of Wanneroo will extend its insurance coverage to include any works on loan and will acknowledge the owner of the artwork in any signage or promotional material associated with the loaned work.

3.6 *Lending of Artworks*

The City of Wanneroo may lend artworks from its collection to organisations or individuals who intend to use the artwork in a public display. Decisions in relation to requests to borrow artwork shall be made by the Director Community Development on advice from the City's Arts Development Officer. The borrower must complete an Outward Loan Form and agree to the basic Conditions of Loan, available from the Arts Development Officer. Specific conditions of loan can be imposed on a case by case basis.

The City of Wanneroo must be acknowledged as the lender in any public display or publicity whilst on loan.

4. Application

This policy applies to the following entities:

- a) Council Officers**
- b) Arts Advisory Committee.**

5. Responsibility for Implementation Director, Community Development