



City of Wanneroo 2025 Art Awards winners.

## Local artists take centre stage in 2025 Art Awards

Artist Anna Speirs has been awarded the top honour at the City of Wanneroo Community Art Awards, receiving the grand prize for her captivating painting, *Moonlight Solitude*.

Anna was among 15 talented artists who shared in a total prize pool of \$19,900.

There were 135 entries to this year's awards – 88 paintings, 21 works on paper, 13 photo, film and digital pieces and 13 sculptures.

This year's judges were Emma Bitmead, Curator of Historical Art at the Art Gallery of Western Australia; Paul Uhlman, Associate Professor

and Coordinator of Visual Arts and Printmaking at Edith Cowan University; and Di Cubitt, Sessional Academic and Fine Art Unit Coordinator at Curtin University.

Mayor Linda Aitken said this year's awards once again highlighted the depth of creativity and talent within our community.

"We're proud to host this exhibition each year, celebrating local talent and providing emerging artists the opportunity to showcase their skills," she said.

"Each piece tells a story, and collectively, the exhibition reflects the diversity, imagination and

passion of our community."

You can now visit the Art Awards exhibition until Saturday 26 July at the Wanneroo Regional Gallery, open Wednesdays to Saturdays, 10am to 4pm.

Visitors can nominate their favourite artwork for the People's Choice Award, with the winner to be announced in late July. Vote now at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardspeopleschoicevote](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardspeopleschoicevote)



## Australian Red Cross pop-up coming to Butler



Butler will be the next location for a four-day pop-up Lifeblood donor centre in July.

Did you know that 1 in 3 people in the City of Wanneroo will need blood in their lifetime, but only 1 in 30 people donates?

The Australian Red Cross is calling for people to donate blood during winter, to boost stocks during a time they see higher rates of people rescheduling and cancelling appointments.

The initiative is part of a year-long

WA trial that has seen Lifeblood pop-ups visit towns and suburbs to give locals the chance to give blood and save lives.

If you're aged between 18-75 years old and are feeling well, you may be eligible to donate.

The Butler Pop-Up Donor Centre will be operating from Irene McCormack Catholic College Gymnasium 18 Bradman Drive, Butler.

To book a donation call 13 14 95 or visit [lifeblood.com.au](http://lifeblood.com.au)

### Mayor's Message

Linda Aitken JP



Welcome to the June edition of Wanneroo Link.

I hope you'll join us to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for NAIDOC Week, starting on Sunday 6 July.

This year's theme, The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy, celebrates not only the achievements of the past but the bright future ahead, empowered by the strength of our young leaders, the vision of our communities and the legacy of our ancestors.

Celebrate NAIDOC Week and grow your understanding of First Nations cultures and histories through a range of free activities being held across the City of Wanneroo.

From historical exhibitions to storytime sessions and youth sessions – check out our inspiring and free events on offer.

Learn more at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/naidocweek](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/naidocweek)

Next month marks Plastic Free July. The movement challenges us all to refuse single-use plastics for the entire month, so we can have cleaner streets and oceans, and beautiful communities.

The City is running a range of free community workshops throughout the month so you can learn what happens to your waste and how you can reduce waste and live more sustainably.

Learn how to make fabric food covers, see if cloths nappies would work for you, or take a tour of the Cleanaway Material Recovery Facility to see how your recycling is sorted.

[wanneroo.wa.gov.au/events](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/events)

### Council meetings

Policy Review Committee Meeting

Tuesday 30 June 2025, 6pm

Council Agenda Briefing

Tuesday 8 July, 6pm

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 22 July, 6pm

23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo

You can also watch via Youtube - City of Wanneroo Council Meetings.



### Mary Park Community Planting

Join us and your neighbours in planting for a greener future!

Come down to Mary Park in Wanneroo to help plant roughly 200 trees and tube stock.

This event is held in conjunction with Friends of Mary Park. Events are family-friendly and morning tea will be provided.

Please bring a water bottle and wear sturdy enclosed shoes, a hat and sunscreen. Gloves and equipment will be provided as required. RSVPs are essential.

For more information or to register, please contact the City's Conservation team on 9405 5000 or email [conservationmaint@wanneroo.wa.gov.au](mailto:conservationmaint@wanneroo.wa.gov.au)