

Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Name	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	Meeting No.	D-25-084289
Meeting Date	08 August 2025		
Meeting Time	3:30pm		
Meeting Location	Geraldton Regional Library – Randolph Stow Rooms		
Attendance by Electronic Means	Nil		
Attendees	Voting Members: Cr Jenna Denton Deputy Presiding Cr Kim Parker Cr Simon Keemink Roni Kerley – Yamaji Art 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 Steve Cooper – Presiding Member Alysha Saunders – Community Rep
		Leave of Absence	
		Absent	
		Distribution	As listed
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- 1 Declaration Of Opening**
- 2 Acknowledgement of Country**
- 3 Welcome and Apologies**
- 4 Disclosure of Interests**
- 5 Applications for Leave of Absence**
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14 February 2025

Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	Meeting No.	D-24-151664
Meeting Date	14 November 2024		
Meeting Time	10:00am		
Meeting Location	Geraldton Regional Library – Randolph Stow Rooms		
Attendance by Electronic Means	Nil		
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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 Public Art Masterplan Update**
- 8 Upcoming Public Art Concepts**
- 9 Mid West Art Prize 2025**
- 10 Gallery Exterior Works**
- 11 Reports to be Received**
 - 11.1 Coordinator Report**

GRAAC REPORT FOR MARCH 2025 - JULY 2025

COORDINATOR GALLERY AND PUBLIC ART

Prepared by Briony Bray

RE-FOCUSED and Batavia Unravelled

RE-FOCUSED a Geraldton Camera Club Exhibition

This exhibition celebrated the nationally-accredited award-winning photography from the Geraldton Camera Club. This exhibition features winners from the past three years of the Clubs' annual display. Featuring a range of different award categories and themes, the photography skills of the local Mid West photographers were put on show.

Batavia Unravelled an Exhibition developed and curated by Emma-Clare Bussell

Finding new expression through craft and the stories of women, this exhibition presented works from WA Collections, the CGG Art Collection and new responses to this historical milestone by contemporary WA artists. This was a Curated Group Exhibition led by Emma-Clare Bussell, featuring works from artists such as Susie Vickery, Melinda Piesse, Bradley Kickett, Georgia Zoric, Rob Cleworth, Eduardo Cossio, Ailsa Small, Patrick Baker, Hugh Edwards, Henrietta Drake-Brockman and others.

As part of the exhibition, Emma-Clare presented a Curator Talk, sharing the insights into this exhibition.

Other Event Highlights:

Artist Talk and Workshop with Ian de Souza

Mixed Media Sculptures with Kerrie Elliot

Art School Art launched (Term 2 and 3)



Art in Conflict and stitched and bound 2024/25

Art in Conflict an Australian War Memorial Touring Exhibition

Art in Conflict is a touring exhibition of contemporary art from the collection of the Australian War Memorial. The exhibition is touring nationally until 2026, before its display in the Australian War Memorial's new galleries.

A showcase of diverse responses to war, the exhibition includes more than 70 paintings, drawings, films, prints, photography and sculptures from leading Australian artists.

Stitched and bound 2024/25 the WAQA Contemporary Exhibition

stitched and bound is The West Australian Quilters Association Inc. (WAQA) Contemporary Exhibition. It is a biennial, juried exhibition showcasing the innovative range of work being produced by Western Australian artists who challenge the usual concept of the 'quilt' medium.

Additionally, AWM provided the opportunity for a Curator Talk with Anthea Gunn, Senior Art Curator with the Australian War Memorial.

Other Event Highlights:

Beaded Button Bracelets Workshops as part of the School Holiday Activities

Felted Bowls, Platters and Dishes with Martien van Zuilen

Exhibition-Ready Workshops (in both Geraldton and Mullewa)



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.

Unravelling Archives 1-4:

This series of 4 works by Charmaine Green and Mark Smith toured around Western Australia as part of the Alternative Archive exhibition with ART ON THE MOVE, through the first Regional Arts Exhibition in WA.

Mid West Arts Membership Program

Currently, we have 93 members signed up to the program.

As part of the Membership Program, we offered 2 Members-only workshops to our current Members. This included Expressive Painting with Lauren Kennedy and Watercolour with Ian de Souza.

We also held our annual Open Day in July to showcase the variety in arts groups and organisations in Greater Geraldton. As part of this event, Bo Wong was invited to present two workshops around professionally marketing and photographing your work.



Event Highlights:

Mid West Arts Open Day

Visual Storytelling for Creative Practices with Bo Wong

Photograph Your Artwork with Bo Wong

Expressive Painting with Lauren Kennedy

Watercolour with Ian de Souza

Other:

Our team is going from strength to strength, creating valuable connections with different organisations and community groups. We often work with different teams within CGG, and aim to bring together different community groups through collaborations with external organisations. Working together with the Regional Arts Triennial (third iteration), we delivered the Felted Bowls, Platters and Dishes workshop with Martien van Zuilen.



Additional Workshops and Collaborations:

After School Art (Term 2 and 3)

Perth Queer Film Festival

Nagle Year 12 Film Night at GRAG

Cultural Weaving – part of School Holiday Activities

Walk + Cuppa with The Geraldton Project



Exhibition Attendance Figures (last 4 months): 3,611

28/07/2025

Briony Bray

11.2 Public Art Officer Report

GRAAC REPORT FOR March – July 2025

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC ART

Prepared by Marnie Facchini and Kelli Dawson

- **Public Art on Bus Shelters:** New Bus Shelters installed.



Sarah Edge – Hall Rd, Waggrakine



Cam Fitzgerald - Glenfield Shopping Centre



Janeen Horne – Webber Rd, Moresby

- **Post Office Lane Lightbox Gallery**

Thank you to GRAAC Members, Alysha Saunders and Mark Lennard for your time to assist with the evaluation of EOIs for the 2025/26 Lightbox Gallery Exhibitions.

Upcoming Exhibitions:

August – October 2025: *Steps Through the Laneway* by Ruth Lamb

November 2025 – January 2026: *Nature Revisited* by Emily Ahearn

February – April 2026: *Coastal Nostalgia* by Mira Zacchaeus

May – July 2026: *Abrolhos Dreaming* by Janeen Horne

- **Aquarena Entry Artwork**

Through a two-stage selection process, the following design by local artist, Cam Fitzgerald was selected in response to the Artist Brief. Thank you to GRAAC members, Annalise Fosbury and Alysha Saunders for assisting with stage two of the evaluation. The final will be printed onto vinyl and attached to the wall via aluminium sheets.



- **PA 214 - Wonthella Ablution Block Bugs Project (Completed)**

Kelli & Briony facilitated two hands-on art workshops for the year 4's and 5's at St. Johns School, exploring mark-making, pattern techniques, collage, watercolour and acrylic applications. The student's work was digitised and printed onto vinyl / aluminium to create this colourful bug collage which wraps around the toilet block at the Eighth Street sporting precinct. We hosted an opening event with the children, media and the Mayor attending.



- **Public Art Maintenance (Completed)**

PA 173 - Alf Crothers Memorial Wishing Well: the wishing well structure was renewed, with new railings around the well, and the metal structure above the well was re-painted.

PA 176 - Mullewa ANZAC Memorial: Two additional photographic images were installed on the large brick wall in Mullewa, in time for ANZAC Day 2025. New garden sign installed allowing the public to understand the important story behind the photographic exhibition.



PA 180 – Everlasting Impression Mullewa: XW Engineering contractors have completed requested rust removal works.



- **Public Art Maintenance (Upcoming)**

PA 001 – City Status Fountain Sculpture:

For safety and practicality reasons, the old fountain and pumping station will be decommissioned, both of which have taken a lot of resources over the years to maintain.

Step 1: XW Engineering to remove metal section and re-create the same structure but in a safer design that doesn't collect rubbish.

Step 2: The water well will be infilled with cracker dust, compact and ready for the install of the soft fall rubber. The pebble surface around the sculpture will also be prepped and soft fall rubber installed.

Step 3: New metal feature installed.

Predicted timeline: aim to have works completed by November.

12 Date of next meeting

The Committee will dissolve due to the election taking place in October 2025.

13 Close