

Grow Exhibition | Guidelines for Schools

About the exhibition

The innovative *Grow* exhibition weaves together the past and future of farming. Featuring photographs of farmers based in Cardinia Shire that capture the current challenges and triumphs in agriculture, this is complemented by imaginative sculptures and models crafted by students that envision solutions to contemporary farming issues. Collectively, the display offers a visually compelling narrative that bridges the present and future of this vital industry. The exhibition will be held at Cardinia Cultural Centre (CCC).

Event	Dates	Details
Exhibition open	Friday 2 August to Sunday 22 September 2024	The exhibition will be open to the public for 6 weeks, available to see from 10am to 3pm, Tuesday to Sunday.
Exhibition event	Friday 23 August 2024 from 6pm to 8pm	An invitation only event to showcase the exhibition featuring keynote speakers, panel judging, and prizes.

How can schools get involved?

Schools across Cardinia Shire are being invited to submit artworks as a class/group, aligning to the theme of *Grow* - 'Creating a sustainable, cutting-edge agricultural sector'. See 'resources for schools' below for teaching resources which can be used to help guide the art development.

Submission guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Each school can submit a maximum of five art pieces.</u> • Schools must operate in Cardinia Shire. • Artworks in all mediums, such as painting, sculpture, models, collage, or other, are accepted (some limitations apply). Please contact (03) 5943 4706 with any queries. • The Art Prize is a non-acquisitive prize generously sponsored by a grant from VicHealth. • Entries for the Art Prize are open for works completed after 1 January 2024. • Entry to the Art Prize is free, however art costs must be covered by the entrant (see tips below) • One agreement form will be required with each submission. 	
Categories and prizes	<p>The Art Prize has four categories (as at 26 February 2024):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best in Show (Primary school): Prize pack valued at \$200 • Best in Show (Secondary school): Prize pack valued at \$200 • People's Choice (Primary school): Prize pack valued at \$200 • People's Choice (Secondary school): Prize pack valued at \$200 	
Exhibition timeline	Monday 15 July 9am to 4:30pm, and Tuesday 16 July 9am to 4:30pm	Artwork must be delivered to CCC
	Friday 2 August	Exhibition opens
	Friday 23 August 6pm to 8pm	Exhibition event including prizes
	Sunday 22 September	Exhibition closes
	Monday 23 September 9am to 4:30pm, and Tuesday 24 September 9am and 4:30pm	Artworks must be collected from CCC
	Wednesday 25 September onwards	Uncollected artworks will be discarded

Resources for schools

All year levels (P-12) can take part in the exhibition and are eligible for the art prizes. Design of an artwork should be done as a class/group activity, with the whole class/group working on the final piece submitted. Groups may include year levels, student leadership teams, or school special interest groups (i.e. sustainability or arts groups). There is no limit to the size of the class/group or the mixture of ages/year levels. As the exhibition focusses on advancements in technology and practices used in farming, this can (but does not need to) be completed as part of STEM classes aligning to the Australian Curriculum.

The following resources are examples of class activities aligned to the Australian Curriculum, which can be used to inspire or create artworks:

- **Primary schools:** [National Science week resource book 2023](#) (adapted December 2023)
 - Suggested Foundation - Year 2 activities: Design a smart farm (Note this activity could also be used for Year 3 - 6)
 - Suggested Year 3 - 6 activity: Make an insect trap
- **Secondary schools:** [Using technology and design in agriculture | Agriculture Lessons \(primezone.edu.au\)](#)
 - Suggested activity prompt: [Problems Faced by AgPPT.pdf \(primezone.edu.au\)](#)

What support is available?

Cardinia Shire Council's Arts team can provide guidance to schools on different artforms and ways to create artworks. Materials will not be provided to schools. However, there are many options schools can explore to gather materials and resources:

- **Recycling/donated items:** Families and corporate businesses (i.e. hardware shops) may be willing to donate items for the class/group to use.
Grants: [National Science Week grants via the Australian Science Teachers Association](#)
Grants of up to \$500 are provided to support National Science Week activities in schools and preschools. Applications are open now and close 25 April 2024.

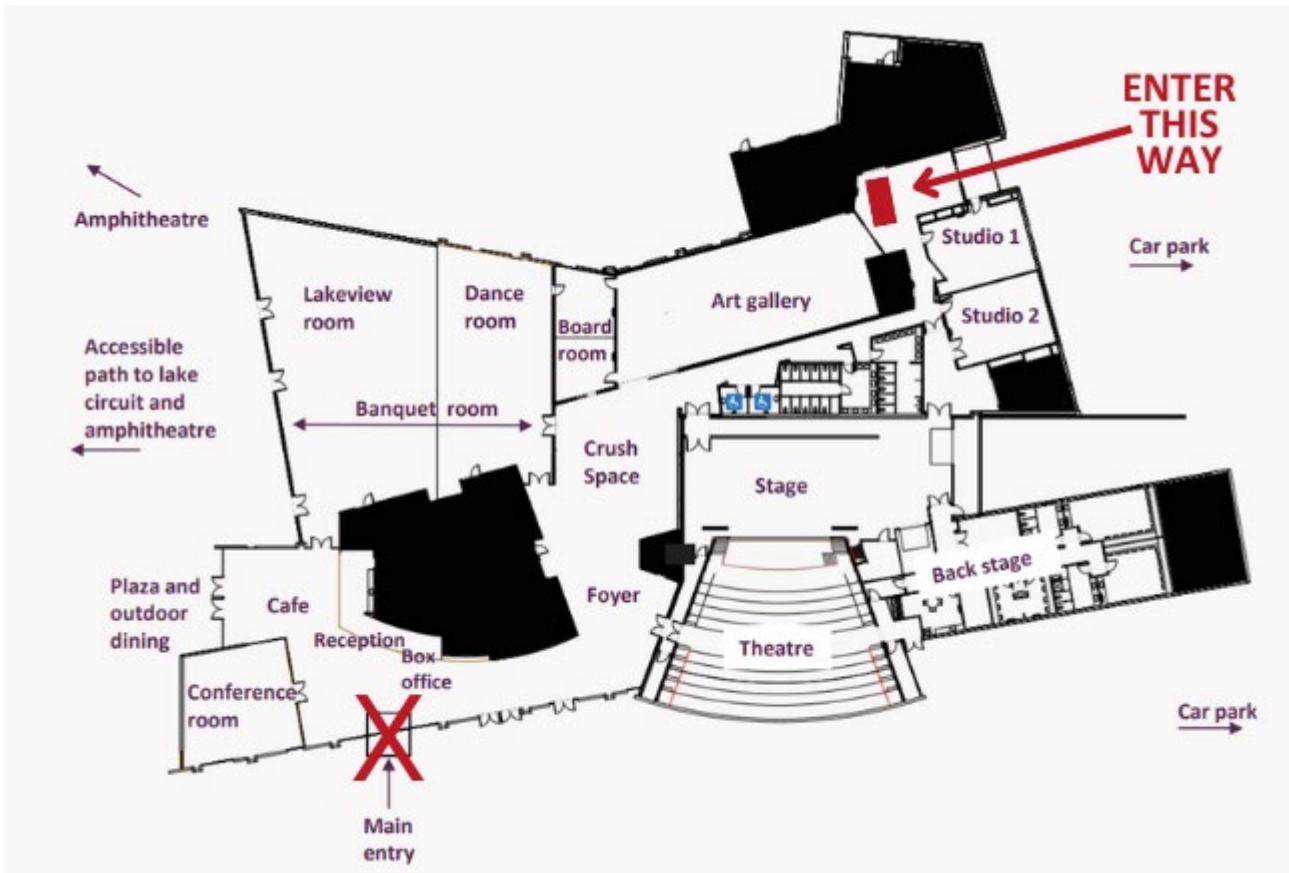
More information

For more information, please email livinghealthy@cardinia.vic.gov.au or telephone (03) 5943 4259.

See the next page for instructions on artwork delivery and collection.

Instructions for artwork delivery and collection

When delivering or collecting artwork, please enter through the 'Arts entrance' which is the gold side of the building. Staff will be available at the area indicated on the map below:



Cardinia Cultural Centre - 40 Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham VIC 3810