

# Media Release

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## **Budding school artists called to enter Australia Day competition**

As part of 2022 Australia Day celebrations, Gladstone Regional Council is calling for entries in the *Celebrate Australia Primary School Art Competition*.

Open now to all 2021 primary school aged students in the Gladstone Region, Gladstone Region Councillor and Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) chair Glenn Churchill said the competition helps us celebrate 'who and what makes Australia great'.

"I encourage students to think about what aspects of our Australian lifestyle are important to them and use this as inspiration for their artwork," Councillor Churchill said.

To enter, students simply draw, paint, or collage an aspect of Australia they believe is iconic, on an A4 sized sheet of paper and submit their artwork with a completed entry form, available from Council's offices, venues and libraries.

There are two sections of entry: Section One: Prep to Year 2 and Section Two: Year 3 to Year 6.

Entries close 4pm, Friday, 17 December 2021, delivered to the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum (GRAGM), corner Goondoon & Bramston Streets, Gladstone.

"Artworks will be judged by Gladstone Regional Council Manager Arts and Entertainment, Kim Marxsen, and the winning artists from each section will receive some fantastic prizes, such as their winning entry printed as 2022 Gladstone Regional Council Australia Day commemorative postcards and a Gladstone Cinemas family pass," Cr Churchill added.

"Winners will be announced during Gladstone Regional Council's Australia Day Celebrations on Wednesday, 26 January 2022."

A virtual print making workshop hosted by local artist Leanne Cole will be available online from 10 December to assist budding artists with their entries.

Visit <https://gragm.qld.gov.au> for to view the workshop and download an application form.

Alternatively, please contact GRAGM via [gragm@gladstone.qld.gov.au](mailto:gragm@gladstone.qld.gov.au) or call 4976 6766 for further information.

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