

MEDIA RELEASE

PORT LINCOLN COMMUNITY BANK BRANCH OF BENDIGO BANK TO SPONSOR THE PORT LINCOLN ART PRIZE MAJOR AWARD

The Port Lincoln Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank will sponsor the First Prize category of the eleventh annual Port Lincoln Art Prize, with the official opening and award presentations to be held on Thursday 10 January 2019. The \$5,000 major category has been funded by the City of Port Lincoln in previous years, and Mayor Bruce Green said "It is an honour to welcome the Port Lincoln Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank as a new major sponsor for the prestigious Art Prize".

Port Lincoln Bendigo Bank Business Manager, Phil Channon is delighted with the newly formed partnership, stating *"The Bendigo Port Lincoln Community Bank branch are proud to be associated with the Nautilus Arts Centre, by supporting the Annual Art Prize. We see the engagement of a cross section of the Community that enjoy the Arts and in particular, provide a showcase for local artists to display their works. As our visitors from the numerous Cruise Ships increases this will provide many opportunities for extensive exposure to all that participate. We see this as a great benefit to Port Lincoln"*.

The NAC Coordinator, Georgina Shirley encourages artists to submit their 2D or 3D medium artworks or sculptures for this year's Art Prize with just over four weeks left to go before entries close.

The event provides an opportunity for local and interstate artists to display their artwork during the busy holiday season including the Tunarama weekend and have their efforts publicly acknowledged, with the added chance of taking home a cash prize. With 72 entries in 2018, the number of entries is expected to increase for 2019.

Entries are currently open until Monday 3 December, with entry forms available from the Nautilus Arts Centre or online at www.nautilusartcentre.com.au or www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au/artprize2019.

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