

CANASSIST SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS BOTANICAL ART & ILLUSTRATION PRIZE

White Cottage Gallery, Retford Park, Bowral NSW

5th–29th October 2023

Information for Artists

CanAssist Southern Highlands is proud to partner with the Botanical Art Society of Australia (BASA) and the National Trust Retford Park to present the 2nd CanAssist Southern Highlands Botanical Art & Illustration Prize. The CanAssist SH Botanical Art & Illustration Prize is an annual event celebrating a rotation of the seasons. CanAssist SH will receive the commission of 25% on sales of all works.

JURIED PRIZE:	Selection from digital images supplied by artists.
ENTRIES CLOSE:	Friday 1 September 2023
JUDGES:	Susannah Blaxill, Elaine Musgrave and Keith Hunter
PRIZES:	1st Prize \$2,000, 2nd Prize \$1,000, Highly Commended Awards of \$250 and People's Choice Award of \$500
WINNERS:	Announced at the Opening on Friday 6 October at 5.30-7.30pm
VENUE:	White Cottage Gallery, National Trust Retford Park 1325 Old South Road, Bowral, NSW 2576
DATES:	Thurs 5 October 2023 to Sun 29 October 2023 Thursday to Sunday 10am-4pm

This Prize is open only to Members of the Botanical Art Society of Australia.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

Entry is via the event registration on the BASA website. There are two components to the entry process which must be completed: the Registration including payment of \$20 per painting and the Artwork Submission Form.

Each entry must be the original and sole work of the artist. No photography or digitally generated work will be accepted.

1. Late entries will not be accepted.
2. All works entered will be for sale at the artists' set prices from which 25% commission will be deducted.
3. Artists will be notified as soon as possible when their work is sold.
4. A maximum of 3 framed works may be submitted by each entrant.
 - a) Complete Registration Form.
 - b) Include payment of \$20 per artwork
 - c) Complete Artwork Submission Form
 - d) Include quality digital image/s.

DIGITAL IMAGES

1. Artwork images must be submitted in a high-resolution, professional format: 300 dpi JPG file, with a length of 25 cm on the longest edge.
2. Artists will be notified by email by Monday 11 September about the results of the selection process.

FRAMING

1. Frames are to be of a professional quality and the design of the frame should not overwhelm the artwork. Framed entries must have D-rings and a hanging wire (or cord).
2. Artists should use their discretion in the choice of matting and framing. White or off-white matting and plain timber frames are traditional, but not compulsory.

MERCHANDISING

1. High quality prints (but not of exhibited works) can be offered for sale at the exhibition.
2. A maximum of 6 prints may be submitted (3 designs, up to 2 of each).
3. The prints must be wrapped in cellophane with a sturdy backing board or matted.
4. The prints must be individually priced and marked with the artist's name.
5. Artists' cards may also be sold. A maximum of 8 different designs, with no more than 20 copies of each design.
6. Each card must be enclosed in a cellophane bag and individually marked with artist's name. Any cards not fulfilling these criteria will not be sold.
7. All cards will be sold for \$8.
8. Other items will be accepted for sale. E.g. mugs, bookmarks, calendars, aprons, teatowels, etc. One item will be used and marked FOR DISPLAY. It will be sold as the last item or returned. ESSENTIAL: Contact Dale Dryen by email: dedeoz52@gmail.com to discuss the selection of items and sale quantities to be delivered. (There is very limited display and storage space.)
9. Extra stock will not be accepted after Delivery Day.
10. **A 25% commission will be deducted from the selling price of all items.**

DELIVERY OF ARTWORKS

Please specify your intended method on the Artwork Submission Form.

Selected works must be received no later than the dates specified below.

BY POST: Arrive by Thursday 28th September 2023
c/- Dale Dryen PO Box 1640 Bowral NSW 2576

IN PERSON: On **Friday 29 September 2023 ONLY 10am-2pm**
White Cottage Gallery at National Trust Retford Park
1325 Old South Road
BOWRAL NSW 2576

Enter at the main gates on 1325 Old South Road

1. Drive SLOWLY through the property, follow the signs.
2. Drive past the Parking lot on Right; continue to the White Cottage Gallery.
3. Park close to the lawn adjacent to the gallery.
4. Entry is along the path adjacent to the verandah and up the steps.
5. Register your delivery with SUSAN BRINDLE 0407 221 743.

BY COURIER: **Friday 29 September 2023 10am and 2pm**
Delivery Instructions as above.
PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS TO YOUR COURIER.

SYDNEY PICK UP: Artworks can be left at The Art Scene, 912 Victoria Rd, West Ryde before Friday Sept 29 for pick up by CanAssist SH at 11am on Friday 29 September 2023

**Works MUST be packaged and sealed and clearly marked
CanAssist SH**

COURIERS AND POSTAGE

BY COURIER: Return payment and paperwork must be delivered with the artwork.

AUSTRALIA POST: Artists are responsible for payment of return post of unsold works. An invoice will be sent once the return post has been calculated.

ARTIST PROFILE

Buyers are interested to learn about artists especially their background, experience and Prizes and Exhibitions entered. Ideally, include a photo. (Some of this information may be used for promotion purposes.)

Exhibitors should submit an Artist Profile with their entries.

COLLECTION OF UNSOLD WORK

IN PERSON: Monday 30 October 11am - 2pm

SYDNEY PICK UP: Wednesday 1 November from 2pm
at The Art Scene, 912 Victoria Rd, West Ryde

COURIER PICKUP: Monday 30 October 11am - 2pm

PUBLICITY

CanAssist SH may submit information about the exhibition, including the names of exhibiting artists and images of their work, to media outlets for promotional purposes.

CanAssist SH will acknowledge the artist whenever their image is used.

All entrants agree to such promotion in entering the Prize.

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Exhibitor Checklist

Please note the following important dates: **Deadline** **Done ✓**

1	Registration and payment completed by	Friday 1 September 2023	
	Artwork Submission Form completed by	Friday 1 September 2023	
2	Selection notification	Monday 11 September 2023	
3	Posted artworks to be received by	Thursday 28 September 2023	
4	Delivered artworks to be received on	Friday 29 September 2023	
5	Exhibition open to public	Thursday 5 October 2023	
6	Official opening & prize announcement	Friday 6 October 2023	
7	Exhibition closes	Sunday 29 October 2023	
8	Unsold Artworks collected in Bowral	Monday 30 October 2023	
9	Unsold Artworks collected in Sydney	Wednesday 1 November 2023	
