

2023

Dampier
Photography
Awards

INFORMATION BOOKLET

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ABOUT THE AWARDS

The Dampier Community Association (DCA) introduced the inaugural Dampier Photography Awards in 2022, and is proud to be presenting them again this year.

Designed to showcase and celebrate the talents of local photographers of all ages and abilities, these Awards are only open to residents of the City of Karratha area. With our community's support we intend for this event to become another of the DCA's successful and highly anticipated annual events.

The theme for the 2023 Dampier Photography Awards is 'Pure'. We want to inspire local shutterbugs to capture that their interpretation of this theme, developing unique photos that will captivate and delight their audience. Maybe it will be pure colour, pure inspiration, pure symmetry, pure beauty, pure love, pure devotion, pure calm, pure innocence, pure emotion, pure nature or pure delight? Photographers are only required to portray 'Pure' if entering the 'Theme' category, however we hope this year's theme will inspire all our entrants!

There are five different categories for photographers to enter. These categories will be independently judged, with prizes awarded for winners and highly commended. There will also be a People's Choice Award voted on by visitors to the Exhibition and to the online Virtual Awards on the DCA website.

An exclusive invitation-only Opening Night event will be held to allow entrants, sponsors and guests the exclusive opportunity to be the first to view the Exhibition and purchase their favourite photo. Category winners will be announced, prizes awarded and the creativity of our local photographers will be celebrated. The Exhibition at the Dampier Community Hall will then open to the public over the next three weeks. Following this, a Winners Exhibition will be on display at the Dampier Community Hub Foyer for a further two week period.

The DCA is proud to manage the Dampier Photography Awards with assistance from our community members and valued local sponsors. We look forward to these Awards becoming an important grass roots cultural event, supporting all local photographers, and particularly encouraging young, amateur and emerging shutterbugs to pursue photography and build their creative confidence.

Get your camera's clicking – what are you waiting for?

KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

Monday 14 August	Entries Open online
Sunday 3 September	Entries Close
Mon 4 – Fri 8 Sept (9am - 4pm) Sat 9 Sept (9am - 3pm)	Photos delivered to DCA Office
Friday 15 September	Awards Opening Night
Sat 16 Sept – Sun 8 Oct 10am - 4pm	Main Exhibition @ Dampier Community Hall
Mon 9 – Fri 14 Oct 9pm - 4pm	Photographs to be collected (excluding Winners)
Mon 9 – Sat 21 Oct 9am - 4pm	Winners Exhibition @ Dampier Community Hub
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct 9am - 4pm	Winners photographs to be collected

ENTRY CATEGORIES

There are five categories available to enter photographs in:

- Theme: Pure
- A Bloody Good Shot – Open
- A Bird's Eye View – Drone photography
- A Work of Art – Digitally enhanced/modified photography
- Youth (aged 14 to 18 years) - Open

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Entry in the Dampier Photography Awards is entirely at the entrant's own risk
- Entrants must reside within the City of Karratha LGA
- Entry is online only (via the DCA website: www.dampier.org.au)
- Entry, including entry forms, fee payments and digital photo, must be received by close of entries to be eligible
- A digital copy of photo/s, preferably **prior to framing**, must be emailed to the DCA at projects@dampier.org.au. Digital photos must be between 2MB and 6MB and can be watermarked with the entrant's name/signature
- Youth category entrants must be between 14 and 18 years of age
- All other entrants must be 18 years of age or over
- There is a limit of two (2) entries per person
- A photo cannot be entered into multiple categories – one category per photo
- Entries that exceed the maximum size will not be accepted (see below)
- Photographs must be the entrant's original work
- The DCA reserves the right to use digital photos for publicity, catalogue and archival purposes in association with the Awards
- The DCA reserves the right to exclude photos from Exhibition if deemed unsuitable, with the entrant duly notified
- ALL winning photographs, including **category winners, category highly commended** and the **People's Choice winner**, must be made available for inclusion in the Winners Exhibition at the Dampier Community Hub foyer for a period of two (2) weeks upon close of the Main Exhibition at the Community Hall
- The DCA reserves the right to **retain and dispose of any photographs** not collected within two months of the end of the Awards, as determined by the close of the Winners Exhibition

PHOTOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS

- A maximum dimension of 1.0m x 1.0m applies to all photographs, **inclusive** of any framing
- All photographs must be suitably framed or printed on canvas
- All photographs must be ready to hang with D/triangle rings as a minimum requirement



As a Dampier Photograph Awards special Dunnart Picture Framing & Homewares is offering all entrants 10% off the cost of framing.
Call Donna on 0407 221 551 to enquire.

FEES AND PAYMENTS

FEES

- Entry fees are non-refundable
- Youth category entry fee is \$25, or \$40 for two pieces (by the same entrant)
- Entry fee for all other categories is \$50, or \$80 for two pieces (by the same entrant)
- Entry fee payments must be made at the time of entry to be eligible

SALES

- The sale of photographs is at the sole discretion of the entrant
- The DCA will manage ALL sales, with a 20% commission fee (including GST) payable per sale, to be deducted prior to proceeds of sale being paid to entrant
- Entrant must ensure they provide their banking details on the entry form to enable proceeds of sale to be deposited via EFT
- Entrants will be contacted to confirm the sale of their photograph

JUDGE AND JUDGING

JUDGE

The 2023 Dampier Photography Awards will be judged by Daniel Fowler.

Daniel is an avid and active professional photographer and video producer living in the Pilbara town of Karratha. When he isn't searching for new and interesting angles of the unique Pilbara landscape, Daniel can be found at the helm of his production company Fuzz Digital specialising in content creation and commercial video production.

To find out more about Daniels work please visit:

www.pilbaraprints.com.au and www.fuzzdigital.com.au

JUDGING

- The decisions of the judge are final
- A Winner and Highly Commended will be awarded for each category
- A People's Choice Award will be voted on by the public
- No correspondence will be entered into regarding these conditions

PRIZES

Prizes for the Winning and the Highly Commended photographs will be awarded for each category, dependent on sponsorship.

- The Youth category will receive a combined prize of up to \$500
- All other categories will receive a combined prize of up to \$1,000 (per category)
- People's Choice Award winner will receive a prize of up to \$500

The People's Choice winner will be advised upon conclusion of the Main Exhibition.

Dampier Photography Awards winners may be published via local media and social media, including DCA Website, FaceBook page, Instagram and community emails.

DELIVERY AND COLLECTION

DROP OFF

Photographs to be delivered to the DCA Office, Dampier Community Hub, 3 High St, Dampier:

- Monday 4 to Friday 8 Sept, 9am to 4pm
- Saturday 9 September, 9am to 3pm
- or by prior arrangement with the DCA

PICK UP

Photographs are to be collected by entrants (or purchasers) upon close of exhibition, or by prior arrangement with the DCA.

Note: all category Winners, Highly Commended and People's Choice photography will be retained by the DCA for the Winners Exhibition.

After Main Exhibition

- from DCA Office, Monday 9 to Friday 13 October, 9am to 4pm

After Winners Exhibition

- from DCA Office, Monday 23 to Friday 27 October, 9am to 4pm

NOTE: The DCA reserves the right to **retain and dispose of any photographs** not collected by 22 December 2023

EXHIBITIONS

The 2023 Dampier Photography Awards offers two FREE exhibitions open to the public.

MAIN EXHIBITION

- Dampier Community Hall
- Saturday 16 September to Sunday 8 October
- 10am to 4pm daily

WINNERS EXHIBITION

- Dampier Community Hub foyer
- Monday 9 to Saturday 21 October
- 9am to 4pm weekdays
- 9am to 12 noon Saturdays, closed Sundays

HOW TO ENTER

Entry to the 2023 Dampier Photography Awards is **online** via the Dampier Photography Awards page on the DCA website: www.dampier.org.au/dampier-photography-awards.

This page contains information about the Awards, the categories of entry, an **online entry & payment portal**, and a link to the Information Booklet.

To complete the registration process and be eligible for inclusion in the Awards, entrants are required to complete the following by the close of entries:

- complete all details on the online entry form
- agree to the conditions of entry on the online entry form
- pay the relevant entry fee online (via credit card)
- email a digital copy of their photo to the DCA at projects@dampier.org.au
 - preferably prior to framing
 - between 2MB and 6MB
 - this can be watermarked with the entrant's name/signature

Following successful registration entrants will receive their invitation to the Opening Night event.

OPENING NIGHT

The 2023 Dampier Photography Awards Opening Night event will take place on the evening of **Friday 15 September**. Entrants are entitled to a maximum of two invitations to this event.

All Category Winners and Highly Commended will be announced at this function. This is an invitation-only event, with photographers, sponsors, key stakeholders and guests coming together to celebrate the photographic creativity and diversity of our region.

Be sure to 'save the date' in your calendar.

VOLUNTEERS

We will need volunteers to monitor the Main Exhibition during public opening hours. An online roster will be available closer to the date. Please get in touch with us if you are available to assist in keeping the Exhibition open to visitors.

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