



# Archibald Prize 2025

## Frequently Asked Questions

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### **Ticketing and opening hours**

#### **What are the dates for the exhibition?**

*Archibald Prize 2025* will be on display at Geelong Gallery from Saturday 30 August to Sunday 9 November 2025. Geelong Gallery is open for the AFL Grand Final Friday public holiday 26 September, Geelong Cup public holiday 22 October and the Melbourne Cup public holiday 4 November.

#### **What are the hours of the exhibition?**

Daily from 10.00am to 5.00pm. Last entry at 4.00pm. Exhibition tickets are sold for 20-minute entry intervals.

Please refer to the Gallery's website for 'after-hours' events for select Fridays through the exhibition period.

#### **Why do I need to buy tickets for a specific time?**

Timed tickets ensure our visitors have the chance to view the exhibition comfortably whilst avoiding long queues and waiting times. The allocated time slot helps with monitoring safe capacity limits in the exhibition. We suggest visitors allow one hour to view the exhibition.

#### **Where can I buy tickets?**

Tickets can be purchased online by visiting [geelonggallery.org.au/archibald-prize-2025](https://geelonggallery.org.au/archibald-prize-2025)

Ticket sales will close at 4.00pm for the next day.

Tickets can also be purchased in person at Geelong Gallery's Visitor Services desk. To avoid queues we strongly recommend booking online.

If you experience any problems booking online, please call Geelong Gallery's Visitor Services team on 03 5229 3645.

#### **Can I buy tickets to the exhibition on the day?**

A limited number of tickets will be available for purchase on the day at the Visitor Services desk.

This includes sessions listed as 'Sold out' online, however the Gallery cannot guarantee tickets will be available to coincide with your arrival time.

#### **Are there pass-outs?**

Pass-outs are not available for single entry tickets. Tickets are valid for entry at the booked session time (on the hour, 20 minutes past the hour, 40 minutes past the hour). To adhere to safe capacity levels re-entry will not be permitted.

#### **How much do tickets cost?**

Adult	\$24.00
Concession*	\$20.00
Seniors (Tuesday only)**	\$20.00
Members***	\$17.00
Children (5–15 years)	\$13.00
Children under 5	Free
Family****	\$60.00
Group (over 10)	\$22.00
Companion card holders	Free

\* Concession tickets are valid for full-time students aged over 15 years (includes high school, TAFE, University and international students, upon presentation of a valid student card), Pension card holders, Healthcare card holders and Veterans Affairs card holders (DVA gold card).



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\*\* Seniors discounts will be offered every Tuesday and every weekday in October for the Victorian Seniors Festival month.

\*\*\* Members tickets are valid for Geelong Gallery members, in addition to members of the following galleries: Art Gallery of New South Wales (AGNSW), Art Gallery of South Australia (AGSA), Art Gallery of Western Australia (AGWA), Art Gallery of Ballarat, Benalla Art Gallery, Bendigo Art Gallery, East Gippsland Art Gallery, Gippsland Art Gallery, Hamilton Art Gallery, Horsham Regional Art Gallery, Mornington Peninsula Regional Art Gallery, Murray Albury Museum of Art (MAMA), Museum and Art Gallery of Northern Territory (MAGNT), Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA), National Gallery of Australia (NGA), National Gallery of Victoria (NGV), National Portrait Gallery (NPG), Queensland Art Gallery/Gallery of Modern Art (QAGOMA), Shepparton Art Museum (SAM), Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG), Wangaratta Art Gallery, Warrnambool Art Gallery.

\*\*\*\* Valid for two adults and three children under 15.

### **Do Art Gallery of New South Wales members receive free entry to the Prize?**

Yes, AGNSW members receive complimentary entry to the exhibition upon the presentation of a valid membership card. Membership details will be recorded for reporting to AGNSW.

#### **About the Exhibition**

### **How many artworks are in Archibald Prize 2025 and who will be in it?**

There are 57 finalists on display. You can view the list of finalists on the [AGNSW website](#)

### **Are the Wynne and Sulman prizes showing at Geelong Gallery as well?**

No, Geelong Gallery is only showing artworks from the *Archibald Prize 2025*.

### **Is there a People's choice award?**

Yes, the People's choice award is awarded at each exhibiting venue.

### **Where can I vote for the People's choice award?**

You may vote for the People's choice award once, in Geelong Gallery, via the QR code at the exit of the exhibition. Basic confirmation details are required.

#### **Transportation and parking**

### **How do I get there?**

Geelong Gallery is located on Johnstone Park. The entrance is at 55 Little Malop Street, in Geelong's Arts precinct.

#### **BY TRAIN**

A 3-minute walk through Johnstone Park or up Fenwick Street from Geelong Railway Station.

#### **BY CAR**

60 minutes from Melbourne CBD.

#### **BY BUS**

PTV runs buses throughout the Geelong region including the Bellarine Peninsula, Golden Plains and Surf Coast. The main terminals for buses are Geelong Railway Station and the Moorabool Street Bus Interchange, between Ryrie Street and Malop Street. Both depots are a 5-minute walk to Geelong Gallery.

#### **BY FERRY**

Port Phillip Ferries operates passenger services from Docklands to Geelong via Portarlington, every Saturday and Sunday. Geelong Gallery is a 13-minute walk through Central Geelong from the berth next to Cunningham Pier in the Geelong Waterfront.

Spirit of Tasmania operates daily passenger and car ferry services between Devonport, Tasmania, and the Spirit of Tasmania Quay, Geelong, north of the city centre. Geelong Gallery is an 8-minute drive (Taxi ride) from Spirit of Tasmania Quay, Geelong.





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### Ticketing

#### **Is parking available?**

Ticketed and time limited street parking is available near Geelong Gallery. Accessible parking spaces (for permit holders) can be found on Little Malop Street near the entrance of the Gallery. Additional car parking can be found in the Civic Centre car park located off Gheringhap Street.

There is free parking for on-street two-hour parking bays on weekdays, time limits apply.

Parking across central Geelong and the region remains free across all parking zones on weekends.

#### **Is Public Transport nearby?**

Geelong Gallery is located within a 3-minute walk to Geelong Station. Local and regional V/Line trains and buses are available from Geelong Station or the Moorabool Street Bus Interchange.

#### **Are group bookings available?**

Community groups, social groups and groups of friends over 10 people are asked to purchase their tickets by contacting Geelong Gallery. Tickets for groups over 10 are priced at \$22.00 per person. Please note, groups can only take advantage of one discount. No further discounts apply.

#### **Are family tickets available?**

Family tickets are available for \$60.00 for two adults and three children (under 15 years of age). Any additional children (5–15 years) will be charged at \$13.00 per child.

#### **Who can purchase concession or member tickets?**

The following definitions apply to ticketing categories. Appropriate ID may be required on entry or at the time of purchase.

Concession tickets are valid for:

- Full-time students aged over 15 years of age, includes high school, TAFE, University and international students, upon presentation of a valid student card
- Pension card holders
- Healthcare card holders
- Veterans Affairs card holders (DVA gold card)

Member tickets are valid for:

- Geelong Gallery members
- In addition to members of the following galleries:

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#### **Is a seniors discount available?**

Seniors discounts are available on Tuesdays for entry at a concession price (\$20.00). Seniors discounts will also be offered every weekday in October 2025 for the Victorian Seniors Festival month.

All other days of the week (including weekends) visitors holding a Seniors card will require an Adult ticket (\$24.00) for valid entry.



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### **Do Companion card holders receive free entry?**

A carer or person who supports a visitor with a disability or frailty is admitted free upon presentation of a Companion card. Please see staff at the Geelong Gallery Visitor Services desk to present a Companion card along with the person you are visiting with to receive a complimentary ticket.

The visitor you are assisting will require a valid concession ticket.

### **Do Geelong Gallery members receive any benefits?**

Geelong Gallery members receive discounted entry to *Archibald Prize 2025* (\$17.00), upon presentation of a valid Geelong Gallery Membership. Members also receive 10% discount on all purchases in the Geelong Gallery Store, excluding books.

To become a Geelong Gallery member visit [geelonggallery.org.au/support/membership](https://geelonggallery.org.au/support/membership) or sign up at the Geelong Gallery Visitor Services desk.

### **Is there a restriction on how long I can spend in the exhibition?**

We suggest visitors allow one hour to view the exhibition. Geelong Gallery reserves the right to limit entry based on the capacity of the venue. Pass-outs to the exhibition are not available.

### **Do I need a ticket for other exhibitions at Geelong Gallery?**

No, access to [Views of Geelong and Beyond—Treasures from the Collection](#) is free, as well as [After Image](#) and [re/JOY—Vipoo Srivilasa](#). Please visit the Geelong Gallery website for exhibition dates to ensure these coincide with your visit.

The Learn Space and Decorative Arts gallery space will be accessible to ticket holders only.

### **Can I exchange my tickets for another date if due to unforeseen circumstances I cannot make the original booking date?**

Tickets are non-refundable but can be exchanged for another date or time pending availability. If you experience exceptional circumstances on or just before the day of your visit, please contact Geelong Gallery and our staff will gladly assist.

### **Can someone else use a ticket I bought?**

Tickets can be transferred by contacting Geelong Gallery.

### **Who is TryBooking and why do I need to provide personal details online?**

Online ticket sales for *Archibald Prize 2025* are hosted by TryBooking, an Australian ticketing management system. Some basic personal information is required when purchasing tickets to ensure Geelong Gallery can manage your booking and any follow-up required. Ticket purchases are subject to booking fees.

### **Can I pre-purchase a copy of the *Archibald Prize 2025* catalogue?**

Yes, you can pre-purchase the catalogue by adding it to your TryBooking basket when booking exhibition tickets.

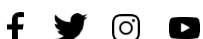
## **Schools and education groups**

### **Are school bookings available?**

Bookings are required for all student group visits to the exhibition.

Students from Kindergarten to VCE and Tertiary levels can be booked by contacting [bookings@geelonggallery.org.au](mailto:bookings@geelonggallery.org.au).

School groups are encouraged to visit Geelong Gallery between the hours of 9.30am to 2.00pm if feasible, however Geelong Gallery remains flexible to visits outside of these times.





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School groups pay \$13.00 per student for a self-guided tour.

School bookings include up to two educators free of charge. Any additional educators or parents attending with a school group will be charged at \$13.00 each. Please note that Geelong Gallery requires visiting school groups to have a ratio of one teacher to every 10 students.

Fully subsidised student exhibition entry and busing is available for low-SES, SFO and regional schools. For details, please contact [bookings@geelonggallery.org.au](mailto:bookings@geelonggallery.org.au).

### **Is there a maximum number of students per visit?**

Geelong Gallery requests that education groups are no larger than 25 students per booking. Large groups are divided and will explore the Gallery in separate, smaller groups.

Please speak us if you wish to bring a larger group.

### **What does a Guided Tour include?**

Only self-guided visits will be available during the exhibition. All groups will be provided an introduction to *Archibald Prize 2025* on arrival. Online learning resources and a printed children's trail developed by the AGNSW will be available prior and during your visit. Learning resources are designed to engage students with *Archibald Prize 2025* and inspire artmaking, critical thinking and discussion about portrait painting.

### **Can students bring their backpacks?**

Students are not permitted to bring their backpacks. School groups are encouraged to leave bags on the bus or at School, as cloakroom is limited during the exhibition period. Please only bring what is required for your visit.

## **Access**

### **Is Geelong Gallery fully accessible?**

Yes, all Gallery spaces are fully accessible for those using a walking frame or wheelchair. Wheelchair access toilets are located on the lower level of the Gallery. Please refer to our pre-visit information for further information on accessibility [geelonggallery.org.au/visit](https://geelonggallery.org.au/visit)

### **Are wheelchairs available for loan?**

Wheelchairs are available for loan without charge. Pre-booking is recommended by calling Geelong Gallery Visitor Services desk on 03 5229 3645 or sending an email to [info@geelonggallery.org.au](mailto:info@geelonggallery.org.au).

### **Are Access bookings available?**

Relaxed sessions are available for anyone who would benefit from a quieter experience before normal business hours. This includes, but is not limited to, people with autism, sensory sensitivities, Tourette's syndrome, learning disabilities or dementia, as well as people living with mobility challenges, anxiety or people who have experienced trauma.

Booking times are available between 9:30am and 10:00am on Tuesdays and Thursdays and can be booked through our Visitor Services team.

For further information about access times or to book, please contact Geelong Gallery.

## **Facilities**

### **Where are the toilets?**

All-gender, wheelchair access, baby change, female and male toilets can be found on the lower level of Geelong Gallery. Available to ticket holders only during *Archibald Prize 2025* exhibition dates.

There are additional public toilets available just outside the Geelong Library & Heritage Centre facing Johnstone Park.



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5.00pm



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### **Is cloak provided at Geelong Gallery?**

Limited cloak is available at the Visitor Services desk.

### **Is there seating in the Geelong Gallery?**

Banquettes and seating are provided within the Gallery. Additional portable seating is available on request from the Visitor Services desk.

### **Geelong Gallery entry policies**

#### **Are food and drinks permitted in the exhibition?**

Food and drinks are not permitted through the Gallery spaces. Cloak cannot accommodate loose food and drink, please ensure that any such items are either consumed prior to your visit to Geelong Gallery or are enclosed appropriately within a bag should you wish to/be required to cloak your belongings.

#### **Are backpacks, umbrellas and large bags permitted in the exhibition?**

Backpacks, umbrellas of all sizes and large bags are not permitted within any Gallery room. We ask that you cloak these items at the Visitor Services desk

#### **Is photography permitted in the exhibition?**

Yes, unless otherwise sign-posted, photography is permitted without a flash. The use of a Selfie-stick or tripod is prohibited.

Please tag us @geelonggallery

#### **Can I use a pram, stroller, walking frame or wheelchair in the exhibition?**

Prams, strollers, walking frames and wheelchairs can be taken into the exhibition.

### **Further questions**

#### **Is there a program of events?**

We have developed an exciting program of events including Creative Conversations with *Archibald Prize 2025* artists, sitters, and moderators or After-hours where the Gallery comes alive after dark.

View the full program [geelonggallery.org.au/outreach/events](https://geelonggallery.org.au/outreach/events)

#### **Can I see this exhibition elsewhere in Australia?**

*Archibald Prize 2025* is an Art Gallery of New South Wales touring exhibition, and will be showing at:

Gosford Regional Gallery, 22 November 2025 – 11 January 2026

Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre, 23 January – 7 March 2026

Mudgee Arts Precinct, 20 March – 3 May 2026

Shoalhaven Regional Gallery, 16 May – 19 July 2026

Yarrila Arts and Museum, Coffs Harbour, 1 August – 13 September 2026

#### **My questions haven't been answered here, how do I contact Geelong Gallery?**

Geelong Gallery's Visitor Experience team are available daily between 10.00am to 5.00pm to assist with any further questions. Please contact 03 5229 3645 or email [info@geelonggallery.org.au](mailto:info@geelonggallery.org.au).

*Archibald Prize 2025*

Saturday 30 August to Sunday 9 November 2025, from 10.00am to 5.00pm

Tickets on sale now: [geelonggallery.org.au/archibald-prize-2025](https://geelonggallery.org.au/archibald-prize-2025)



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