

The Helen Lempriere National Sculpture Award at Werribee Park

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY: July 2008

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The Helen Lempriere National Sculpture Award has been developed from a bequest managed by Perpetual Limited and named after the late Australian artist, Helen Lempriere.

In order to continue to deliver and build on the demands of the Lempriere bequest, 40 artists were selected by 8 curators (one from each state) and invited to submit a concept for a sculpture to compete for the annual Helen Lempriere National Sculpture Award.

Of these 40 submissions, a maximum of 20 finalists will be selected by the 2009 Lempriere judging panel. These finalists will be provided with the opportunity and base funding to develop their concepts and to produce their sculptures that will be displayed in the magnificent grounds of Werribee Park, on the outskirts of Melbourne.

The winner will receive a scholarship to further their education and skill in sculpture. The Award is acquisitive; the winning artist's sculpture must be suitable to become part of the Lempriere Collection and will be permanently sited at Parks Victoria's Werribee Park.

The Award provides the winning sculptor with a scholarship grant of \$80,000 including GST.

Highly Commended Award

One Highly Commended Award will be awarded to artists whose work is selected by the Judging Panel to be worthy of commendation; this Award grants \$10,000 to the artist including GST. This is a non-acquisitive award.

Professional Development Award

A professional development package to the value of \$15,000 will be awarded to one artist to encourage them to continue their commitment to sculpture practice and to assist them in the development of their practice. This is a non-acquisitive award.

Wyndham City Council Acquisition (up to \$35,000, subject to suitability)

Artists will be given the opportunity of making their work available for acquisition by the Wyndham City Council at \$35,000 or less subject to suitability.

Popular Choice Award

The Popular Choice Award is non-acquisitive and grants a prize of \$5,000 (including GST) to the artist whose work is chosen as most favoured by visitors to the exhibition.

Artist Fees:

Artist Participation Fee

Each artist invited to participate in the submission process will receive a concept development fee of \$500.00 including GST

Lempriere Finalist: Work Development Fee

Each artist selected as a finalist for the Lempriere Award 2009 will receive a work development fee of up to \$4,000.00 including GST.

Logistics:

Transportation

Artists are required to deliver their sculpture securely packed to Werribee Park. We strongly advise that all artists insure their works appropriately for transit.

Installation

Installation assistance will be provided by Award Management. The extent of this assistance is determined after technical specifications are received from the finalist.

Insurance

Award Management will exercise reasonable care with the works submitted but will not be responsible for loss or damage whatsoever to any work while in its custody, during transit or on exhibition.

Exhibition

A minimum of 15 sculptures will be short-listed in the first round of judging. Successful artists will be notified by post in early September 2008 and will be required to produce their work on or before mid January 2009 for final judging and exhibition in the gardens of Werribee Park during March, April and May 2009

Judging Panel

The judging panel for the Lempriere Award 2009 includes;

Brenda Croft, Senior Curator, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art, National Gallery of Australia

Alexie Glass, Director, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces

John Denton, Director, Denton Corker Marshall

Conditions*

A sculpture for the purpose of this Award must be of an enduring and permanent nature and be suitable for long term exterior placement in a public open space. Ephemeral concepts will not be considered

The work must be able to manage the expansive environment of Werribee Park

Artists must be practicing sculptors; Australian citizens residing in Australia or overseas or be non-citizens residing in Australia for at least 12 months prior to September 2008

Each artist must develop a new work and site specific works are encouraged

The Award is an acquisitive prize to the value of \$80,000; the winning work will become part of the Lempriere Collection and will be permanently exhibited in the outdoors at Werribee Park

*These conditions of entry are correct as at August 2008. They are subject to review and change. Any updates will be posted on the Lempriere website.

Timeline

STAGE	Date
Proposals from nominated artists due	22 August 08
Notification of first round judging results	12 Sept 08
Artist briefings	22-26 Sept 08
Delivery of works to Werribee Park	Jan 09
Installation of Finalists' works at Werribee Park	30 Jan 09
Award Winner announced	25 February 09
Exhibition opens	1 March 09
Exhibition closes	1 June 09

Friday 12th September 2008
Notification of first round judging results

January 30 2009
Installation of finalists' works at Werribee Park

February 25 2009
Award winner announced
Finalists are requested to be available for media access during this week

1 March – 31 May 2009
Award Exhibition

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Each Entry Must Include

- A completed entry form must be registered on line and submitted on the website: www.lempriereaward.com.au
- jpeg images; a maximum of three images are to be attached to the entry form in the website

Artists' proposals will be regarded as confidential throughout the selection process