Archibald tickets on sale

Tickets are on sale for the Archibald Prize Exhibition at Bunjil Place Gallery, the first stop in the prize's 2022 regional tour.

Bunjil Place Gallery will host the prize for portraiture with more than 50 works on display between 3 September and 16 October.

Now in its 101st year, the Archibald Prize is recognised as Australia's favourite and most significant art award with more than 800 portraits judged by the trustees of the Art Gallery of NSW. Since 1921, the Archibald Prize has highlighted figures from all walks of life, from famous faces to local heroes, reflecting the stories of our times.

The display at Bunjil Place Gallery will feature the notable Packing Room Prize winner Claus Stangl with his portrait of director, writer, actor and producer Taika Waititi alongside 2022 Archibald Prize winner Blak Douglas with his portrait of Wiradjuri artist Karla Dickens, titled Moby Dickens.

City of Casey chair of administrators Noelene Duff PSM said the Archibald Prize was one of the most prestigious arts awards in Australia and to have the works on display at Bunjil Place highlighted Bunjil's strength as a world-class gallery and entertainment precinct.

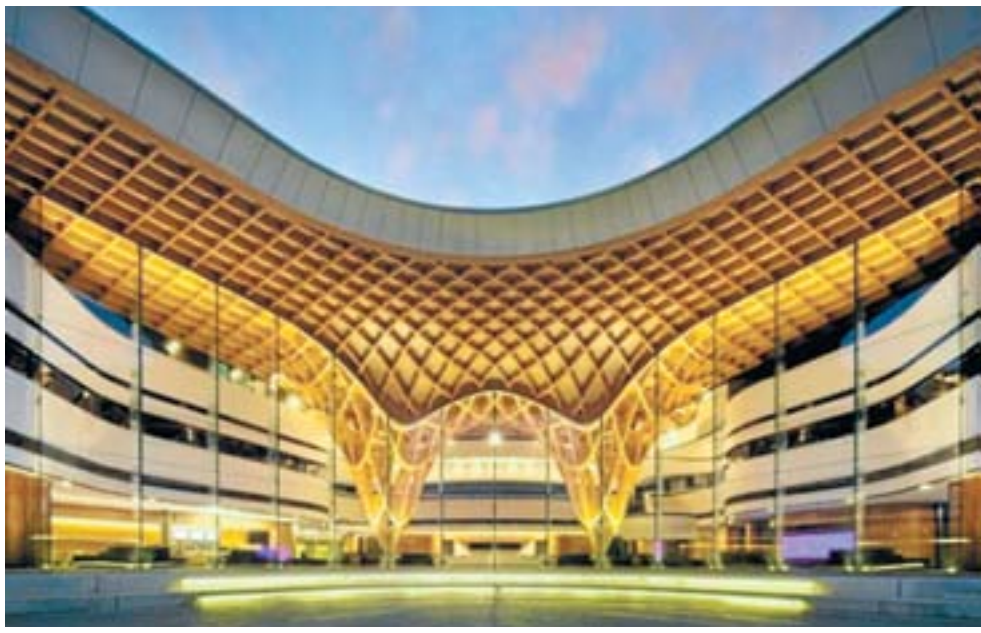
"The Archibald Prize is always a snapshot of the Australian people, and this year brings together self-portraits that provide a glimpse of the artists' internal worlds alongside those that celebrate leading figures who are making this country a better and more equitable place to be," Ms Duff said.

"We encourage our local community to reserve their tickets to this unique exhibition taking place right on our doorstep.

"We are so honoured to be the first stop and exclusive Victorian venue on the Archibald Prize's regional tour across the country; this is an absolute coup for our region and the City of Casey more specifically."

The Archibald Prize 2022 will be on display at Bunjil Place Gallery, 2 Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren from 3 September to 16 October 2022.

Tickets are available now. To book your spot to experience Australia's most prestigious art prize, visit bunjilplace.com.au



The Archibald Prize 2022 regional tour is coming to Bunjil Place in September. 183863

Foot and mouth presents 'no cause for alarm' for pets

The Lost Dogs' Home is urging calm after receiving numerous and distressed calls from pet owners worried about their dogs and cats contracting Foot and Mouth Disease.

Head of Veterinary Services at The Lost Dogs' Home, Dr Jess Wilde, said there were no reports of the disease affecting pets such as dogs and cats.

"From what we have seen so far, Foot and Mouth Disease does not affect humans, horses, or companion animals such as dogs and cats," Dr Wilde said.

"Like all animal welfare organisations, we are monitoring the situation closely but there is certainly no cause for alarm if you have a dog or a cat.

"Our Cranbourne shelter regularly takes in stray farm animals so to the effect we remain vigilant and continue to monitor advice from the government.

"If anyone has any concerns about your pets we encourage you to speak to your local vet."

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FOCUS ON ... TAX TIME

Check your income details, urges Australian Tax Office

The Australian Taxation Office is urging people to make sure their income details are complete and finalised before seeing their chosen tax agent. For most Australians, income statements have replaced payment summaries. This means that instead of receiving a payment summary from their employer, most people's income statements will be finalised electronically, and the information provided directly to the ATO. You can view your income statement through myGov and the information from it is automatically included in your return in myTax by the ATO. If you use a tax agent, they will also have access to this information.

Income statements show their year-to-date salary and wages, PAYG withholding tax, and any employer super contributions in near real-time, but it is important to wait until it is finalised before lodging a tax return. Employers have until July 31 to finalise income statements.

"We often see people too eager to get a tax refund making obvious mistakes, which can either delay processing the tax return or result in a bill later on," ATO assistant commissioner Karen Foat said.

"It's important to check that your employer has finalised the information in your income statement and it is marked as 'tax ready' before you lodge.

"Other information from banks, health funds and government agencies will also be automatically inserted into your tax return. For most people this will happen by the end of July. "Lodging once we have included all of your information in your tax return makes it even easier, but if you are lodging before then, make sure the information provided is complete, accurate, and up to date to avoid delays or a debt later on," Ms Foat said.

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