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Inclusive and Accessible Business Award Winner:
GEELONG GALLERY

Established in 1896, Geelong Gallery's purpose is to provide an art experience that will enrich people's lives. For the second year running, Geelong Gallery has won the Geelong Business Excellence Awards Inclusive and Accessible Business Award.

Respected nationwide as one of regional Victoria's oldest leading galleries, it was clear to the judges that inclusiveness and accessibility is an integral and inevitable part of life at the Geelong Gallery.

Providing opportunities for people with disabilities to experience beautiful and fascinating art installations, Geelong Gallery's accessible venue includes wheelchair access, an accessible customer service desk and accessible wayfinding signage.

The judges noted the gallery's excellent ability to be inclusive across all sectors, including staff, students and visitors. Events at the venue also offer an opportunity to demonstrate Geelong Gallery's commitment to inclusion and accessibility.

In particular, the judges were impressed with the Art + Memory program for individuals with early-stage dementia and the Art + Connect program for people with a disability.

Positioned as the leading cultural institution in the City of Greater Geelong, the gallery's capacity to deliver popular and scholarly exhibitions as well as its commitment to lifelong learning and education sets it apart from similar venues.

Geelong Gallery Senior Curator Lisa Sullivan, Deputy Director Penny Whitehead and CEO Jason Smith.

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