

Expression of Interest

Wagga Wagga City Council's Reconciliation Action Plan – Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri Artwork Commission

*gulbali-yanhi ngurambang Wiradjuri.
Walumaldhaany-galang bala mayiny Wiradjuri.
Yindyamali-yanhi mudyiganggalang-bu balumbambal-bu balugirbam-bu.
Yindyamali-yanhi bagaraygan ngurambang-guwal-i yandu murun.wigi Wagga Wagga-dha.
Ngiyanhi gulbali-bu yindyamali-bu guwiinyguliyalagu buyaa-bu giilaang-galam-bu.
Ngiyanhi gulbali-bu yindyamali-bu guwiinyguliyalagu dhaagun-bu bila-galang-bu nganha Wiradjuri-
giyalang bala burrambin-bu nurrnurra-bu
Gulbali-yanhi Wiradjuri mayiny bagaraygan-guwal-bu bala yarruwala-bu waluwin-bu walanbam-bu
dhirrangal-bu.*

Wagga Wagga City Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the Wiradjuri people, and pays respect to Elders past, present and future and extends our respect to all First Nations Peoples in Wagga Wagga. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing connection with the land and rivers. We also recognise the resilience, strength and pride of the Wiradjuri and First Nations communities.

ARTWORK COMMISSION DESCRIPTION

Hero artwork for the Wagga Wagga City Council Reconciliation Action Plan document renewal.

SUBMISSION DUE DATE

Monday 17 June 2024, 11.59pm.

PROJECT BRIEF

Wagga Wagga City Council is updating our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). A RAP is a strategic document that will support Council's business planning and will include practical actions to ensure better outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The project will have branding applied to it to ensure professionalism and consistency in how it is represented and promoted to the public. This visual branding will be led by the use of the commissioned artwork to create the look of the plan. It is the artwork element that this EoI addresses.

Council will commission the production of an artwork from a local Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri Artist to will be used as part of the branding for the updated Reconciliation Action Plan. The artwork will be predominantly used for (but not limited to) the Reconciliation Action Plan and its promotion, on

Council's Acknowledgement in the Civic Centre and other cultural facilities where the Acknowledgement is present, social media posts, and website.

Application of the artwork will involve using different details (zooming in on sections) to allow for versatility and variety, this means that the artwork may not be displayed in its entirety.

ELIGIBILITY

You must be a local Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri artists/arts collectives eligible to work in Australia. A current ABN and NSW Working with Children Check is recommended but is not mandatory to apply. Artists/arts collectives must have no outstanding grant acquittals or outstanding debts owing to Council.

For younger artists who may not have any prior experience but are interested in applying, we encourage that you reach out to Wagga Wagga City Council's Aboriginal Community Development Officer – Michaela Alexander – in order to be connected with a local Elder or mentor to support your submission.

PAYMENT + COPYRIGHT

As payment for licensing Council to use and reproduce the artwork, the successful artist will receive a total, one off payment of **\$2,500** (exclusive of GST) from Wagga Wagga City Council in line with National Association for the Visual Arts (NAVA) rates. Council is not purchasing exclusive rights to the artwork and is not acquiring the physical realisation of the work. The artist will be required to sign a Copyright Licensing Agreement.

PREFERRED THEMES AND STYLE

The project's purpose is to recognise Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri and First Nations community members. We're interested to hear creative ideas around the themes of:

- Coming Together
- Reconciliation
- Wagga Wagga – place of many celebrations

We would like the design to reflect local Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri artistic practices. The artwork should be created using traditional mediums (drawing, painting, mixed media), and then scanned or photographed into a digital file for use in subsequent graphic design.

It is preferred that the subject is abstract and symbolic rather than naturalistic or representative (i.e. landscape, object, people). The artwork can be either colourful or monochromatic.

MATERIALS TO BE PROVIDED

On completion of the design of the artwork, we will require a high-resolution digital image of the graphic in jpeg/tiff or similar appropriate file format.

CONSULTATION PERIOD

Prior to commencing work on the artwork there will be time allocated for the successful artist to engage in consultation with relevant Council officers and Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri and First Nations Elders and community members. This time is to collaborate and develop ideas to provide adequate information and groundwork for the artist to work from. This will involve outlining the branding process, researching examples of other Wiradjuri art used in branding, discussing the project and conceptualising ideas and process.

SELECTION PROCESS

Following the close of the Expression of Interest period, the Selection Panel will select the artist/s to be commissioned.

SUBMISSION TIMEFRAME

Task	Timeline	Responsibility
EOI Creative Brief Release – Submissions Open	Monday 27 May 2024	Council & Artist
Submissions Close	Monday 17 June 2024	Council
Successful artist notified date	Wednesday 17 July 2024	Council
Design Development Period	Thursday 18 July to Friday 26 July 2024	Artist
Digital File of Graphic to be supplied to Council	Monday 29 July 2024	Artist

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for this opportunity please provide:

- Completed EOI form (as provided at the end of this document)
- Artist's Curriculum Vitae (CV), no longer than two (2) pages
- Confirmation of Aboriginality
- Examples of previous work/s for the selection process, maximum ten (10), including details of artwork title, year and medium.

Please note: Artists may also submit images of a completed artwork as the finalised concept. This work must not have been submitted/used/licensed to any other project.

Send your EOI no later than 5pm Monday 17 June 2024 to:

Online:

haveyoursay.wagga.nsw.gov.au/rap-artwork-eoi

Email:

First.nations@wagga.nsw.gov.au

Subject: *YOUR NAME* EOI Submission RAP Artwork

Post:

C/o Michaella Alexander
Wagga Wagga City Council
243 Baylis Street (PO Box 20)
Wagga Wagga NSW 2650
Wiradyuri Country

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Your questions and application can be directed to Michaela Alexander, Aboriginal Community Development Officer

P 02 6926 9358 | E first.nations@wagga.nsw.gov.au

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

First name:	
Last name:	
Age (optional):	
Home address:	
Contact phone numbers:	Landline: Mobile:
Email:	
ABN (if applying as a business/arts collective):	
Outline your artwork concept here:	
Outline preferred artwork format (paint on canvas, digital artist, etc):	