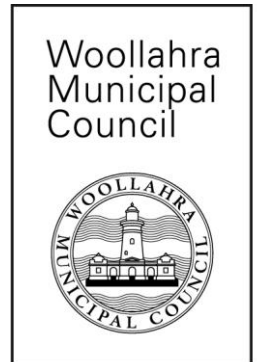


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## Winners announced for 2022 Youth Photographic Award and Short Film Prize



Secret gardens, urban jungles, ethereal dancers and Escher-inspired explorations in perspective are among the captivating winning entries in Woollahra Council's 2022 Youth Photographic Award and Short Film Prize.

More than 190 photo and short film entries were submitted by students from 10 different high schools for the annual competition.

Founded by Woollahra Council in 1994, The Youth Photographic Award and Short Film Prize showcases the talent of young aspiring photographers and filmmakers, and provides an opportunity to reach a broader audience and win cash prizes from a total pool of \$3550.

Winning photographs and short films will be exhibited until 2 October at the [Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf](#), with all entries available to view online through the Gallery's website.

Photographic entries were judged by photographer Hugh Stewart, while short film entries were judged by artist and photographer Lulu Pinkus.

Winners received their awards at a special presentation ceremony to launch the exhibition, held at Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf on 14 September.

The Senior Photography Prize was awarded to Ascham School student Olivia Siegloff for her work *Urban Jungle*, and Otto Atkinson of The Scots College was awarded the Junior Prize for *Pride of Tradition*.

*Escher Fantasy* by Noah Hunter from Cranbrook School received the Mayor's Choice Award Senior category and *Pipes* by Max Condous from The Scots College won the Mayor's Choice Award Junior category.

The Short Film Prize was awarded to Cranbrook School student Milo Ritchie for his film *Contact*.

"After years of lockdown, it is exciting to see what has provoked the imaginative eyes and minds of young people, as they headed out into the real world. We experience journeys near, far and wide... both in the mind's eye and beyond," judge Lulu Pinkus said of this year's entries.

Woollahra Mayor Susan Wynne praised the creativity of all entrants, and winners' takes on complex themes of nature, social commentary and relationships.

"I am so impressed with the quality of the entries submitted to this year's competition – the students should be immensely proud of the creativity they have showcased," Mayor Wynne said.

"Congratulations to all entrants and winners, and also a huge thanks to the teachers and schools committed to supporting the program and fostering the talents of their students. The number of schools involved each year continues to grow, which is wonderful to see."

To view the exhibition and to vote in the People's Choice Award category, visit:  
[www.woollahragallery.com.au/ypa](http://www.woollahragallery.com.au/ypa).

Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf will also host photography and short filmmaking workshops from 26 September. For details, visit: [www.woollahragallery.com.au/whats-on/events](http://www.woollahragallery.com.au/whats-on/events).

The Gallery is open Wednesday to Friday, 10am-6pm and Saturday and Sunday, 10am-5pm at 548 New South Head Road, Double Bay. Admission is free.

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*Pride of Tradition* by Otto Atkinson - Junior Photography Prize winner

**Images available on request**