

ACT-BELONG-COMMIT Art & Craft Awards 2021
Presented by The York Society, Inc.

Winners & Highly Commended 2021

Category 1: Painting – Oil, Acrylic or Watercolour

Second Prize

Nocturne, by Russell Bell.



Fragmented light and colours generated by the grid, create an atmosphere of last light.

First Prize

Journey North, by Joanne Duffy.



Competent well executed abstract painting with a sophisticated use of colour. Framing is well considered and suited to the work.

In category 1 there were 2 highly commended

Highly Commended #158 Reflections, by Leanne Pearson

Highly Commended #135 Red Capped Robin, by Lori Neuzerling

Category 2: Drawing Pastel Printmaking and Mixed Media

Second Prize

Journey Outback, by Julie Silvester.



Sensational use of colour, perspective and mark-making, creating extraordinary depth. An exceptional piece.

First Prize

Mindscape alone in the Forest, by Linda Fardoe.



Detailed drawing shows control and discipline. Very accomplished piece with interesting proportions, stands up from a distance and invites closer inspection. Speaks to the timelessness of the inner journey of the mind.

Category 3: Sculpture, Glass, Works in Fine Metals, Jewellery

Second Prize

White Lady, by Carolyn Johnston.



This piece is contemplative, mysterious and graceful

First Prize

Outer Calm and Inner Turmoil, by Laura Appleton.



Thoughtfully prepared and though provoking, invites the viewer to take a journey into the hectic and distracting world of the artist.

Category 4: Ceramics and Mosaics

Second Prize

Away from the Maddening Crowd, by Greer Berry



Skilful use of tiled fragments to create a seamless integration of the cut tiles with image that transitions into the iconic black swan.

First Prize

Vessel Number 2, by Felicity Bodycoat.



Minimal Design with elegant proportions, with a beautiful monochromatic abstract image around the outside surface.

Category 5: Fibre and Wood

Second Prize

Bloom and Grow, by Roslyn Newick.



Inventive use of natural found objects in an exploratory headpiece.

First Prize

Solitude, by Janine Judge.



Special Categories

Young Achiever Award

La vie en Rose, by Kate Parker



Contemplative portrait introducing the use of collage.

Blandstown Award

Balladong Bridge, by Marina Millar



Charming Narrative, in the category of Naive painting. Honest and unpretentious.

Avon Valley Resident Award (Craft)

Wood 'n ' Gold, by Mick Cotter



Skilfully crafted and beautifully proportioned, a sublime use of materials.

Avon Valley Resident Award (Art)

Yenyenning, by Jan George



The artist unapologetically renders the landscape into simple elements, creating a vast space for the lone figure.

This Year's Theme - Isolation (Art)

View from the Farmhouse, by Carol Emmerson



Complex narrative executed with consideration to children's illustration. This painting captures a fragment from a larger story. An evocative image of isolation.

Isolation (Craft)

An assemblage of moments, by Jane Button



The cubes are suggestive of a game, but no matter how you rearrange the elements the figure remains alone.

Viewers' Choice Award

The Stillness of life, by Cass Gartner

