



# Life in the City of Gosnells

## Eclectic art on show in City exhibition

An eclectic array of more than 200 artworks will be on display this month at the City of Gosnells Community Art Exhibition and Awards, sponsored by Maddington Central.

Held from **Saturday 17 May** to **Sunday 25 May** at Lyl Richardson Hall at The Agonis, Gosnells, this year's exhibition drew submissions from 170 artists. The \$10,000 prize pool includes the \$5,000 Overall Acquisitive Award for the most outstanding art piece, with \$500 each for the winners of 10 other categories.

Last year's winner was Eve Wolfe (pictured right), who captivated judges with a striking portrait of her daughter, entitled Forever 18.

Visitors to the exhibition are also encouraged to cast their vote for their favourite artwork in the Maddington Central People's Choice Award category by **Sunday 25 May**.

There will also be events held during the exhibition, including a Pop-Up Art Market, the Winter Creation Ceramic Workshops series, a networking evening for artists, an accessible tactile tour of the exhibition, and an artist talk with renowned cartoonist Gavin Aung Than.

For more information or to book your place at a workshop or event, visit [gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://gosnells.wa.gov.au).



## It's time to get planting

The City of Gosnells is encouraging residents to plant waterwise gardens this autumn and winter. New signage at Amherst Village Community Centre, in Southern River, is providing information about native plants suited to the local climate.

The gardens are a great example of how local waterwise plants can spruce up a property and survive Western Australia's hot, dry climate.

More than half the average household water use goes on gardens, so waterwise gardens make good sense. Visit the gardens, or the City's website, for more details.

## New gym equipment

Members at Leisure World can soon enjoy new gym equipment, thanks to an upgrade currently under way.

New equipment will include treadmills, steppers, rowers, cross trainers, bikes, squat racks, a smith machine and a Ski Erg.

All cardio equipment will feature interactive programming as well as the ability to stream services while working out.

Members' gym programs will also be moved online to a new Leisure World app.



## Events listing

- Lawyer in the Library**  
Thursdays 1 May, 8 May, 15 May, 22 May, 29 May and 5 June  
11.30am – 12.30pm  
Gosnells Library
- Ignite Music: Production Course**  
Thursday 8 May  
5.15pm – 6.30pm  
The Underground Youth Space, Southern River
- Artist Talk: Draw and Tell with Gavin Aung Than**  
Saturday 24 May  
10am – 11am  
The Orange Room, Gosnells Library  
Visit the City's website for details and bookings.



## Councillor's Corner

The City of Gosnells is cracking down on illegal dumping and we're happy to report that the covert CCTV cameras that have been placed at various dumping 'hot spots' around our community have been successful in catching people in the act.

Recently, the City prosecuted two offenders for dumping rubbish illegally in Southern River, and we are currently investigating a further 16 cases.

Illegal dumping is unsightly and bad for our environment, and it costs the City up to \$250,000 a year to clean up – which would be far better spent on providing services and programs to the community.

So, the key message that the City wants to convey loud and clear to anyone who thinks they can get away with dumping their rubbish illegally in our community is: We are watching you.

And, having heard feedback from outraged members of the community, our residents are watching you, too.

Councillor Caren Baayens

## Have your say

A draft Local Planning Policy is open for public comment until Wednesday 14 May, which could result in property owners requiring fewer planning approvals to undertake minor works.

The draft policy is aimed at streamlining the process for minor works and cutting red tape.

Find out more and have your say at [yoursay.gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://yoursay.gosnells.wa.gov.au).