CALL FOR ENTRIES

Estuary Art and Ecology Prize

The only contemporary art prize in Aotearoa New Zealand with ecology at its core. Artists are invited to research and respond to the Tāmaki Estuary, to underscore the ecological value of this vital waterway and encourage action against its pollution. With a total prize pool of $8,300 the winning artworks will be intelligent and innovative responses to ecology in the field of contemporary art.

Entries close Friday 1 June 2018, midnight

(09) 535 6467 ext. 4 exhibitions@uxbridge.org.nz malcolmsmithgallery.org.nz
35 Uxbridge Road Howick, Auckland 2014
Monday – Sunday 10AM – 4PM
PRIZES

First Place: $5,000
Second Place: $2,000
People's Choice: $1,000
2 x Merit: $150 Gordon Harris Gift Voucher

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Paul Brobbel

Paul Brobbel is the Len Lye Curator at the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre, and former Assistant Collection Manager (Photography) at Te Papa Tongarewa Museum of New Zealand. Paul grew up in Howick and brings a local knowledge of the area to this year's Awards.
1. **Eligibility:** All New Zealand citizens and permanent residents over the age of 18 are eligible to enter.

2. **Entries:**
   a. To enter, send the following to exhibitions@uxbridge.org.nz before the deadline Friday 1 June 2018, midnight:
      i. Completed entry form, including artist statement
      ii. High quality image(s) of the completed artwork (no more than 2MB) or a website link for video entries
      iii. Pay $20 entry fee to UXBRIDGE. Refer to entry form for payment details.
   b. You may submit multiple entries. Each entry must be accompanied by a separate entry form and the $20 entry fee.
   c. Collaborative artworks may be submitted as one entry by multiple artists.
   d. No changes to the entry, including the artwork and artist statement, will be accepted after the closing date.
   e. All entries must be for sale.

3. **Accepted Media:** Entries are invited from most disciplines of contemporary art including painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture, video and other new media. Specifically excluded are live performance projects.

4. **Size and Weight:** Entries must not be larger than 2 metres in height, width and depth, including framing, and must not exceed 60kgs in weight.

5. **Originality:**
   a. Existing artworks are not eligible. All entries must be new, created especially for the Estuary Art Awards 2018.
   b. The applicant guarantees that the work is a one-off original and not of an edition.

6. **Judging:**
   a. Judging Criteria:
      i. Conceptual engagement: Artists are invited to research and respond to the Tamaki Estuary, to underscore the ecological value of this vital waterway and encourage action against its pollution.
      ii. Artistic merit: Winning artworks will be intelligent and innovative to responses to ecology, and will excel in the field of contemporary art practice.
   b. The judge is given full responsibility for selecting the winning artworks based on his or her judgement. No correspondence or discussion will be undertaken on behalf of the artists with the judge or organiser concerning the selection of finalists or the winning artwork.
c. Applicants are advised that judgements are made for the exhibition of 20 finalists on the basis of the submitted image(s) or DVDs and the artist statement.

7. **Finalists**: You will be notified by email if your entry is successful or unsuccessful for the exhibition of 20 finalists in the week beginning Monday 11 June. If your artwork is selected:
   a. All finalists must undertake to make their work available for the Estuary Art Awards 2018 exhibitions at Malcolm Smith Gallery.
   b. All artworks must be display-ready and delivered to Malcolm Smith Gallery before Tuesday 26 June, 4PM.
      i. **Packaging**: Finalists’ works must arrive in reusable packaging suitable for national transportation. The package or container in which the work is transported must be self-supporting. The outside of the packaging needs to clearly indicate the artist’s name, contact details, return address and artwork title. Artworks arriving at the Gallery without packaging will not be accepted.
      ii. All freight costs to and from Malcolm Smith Gallery is the sole responsibility of the artist.

8. **Rights**: The applicant agrees to have his or her work reproduced for purposes of publicity and research. There will be no royalty or other payments made from these reproductions.

9. **Insurance**: Artists must provide insurance for the work(s) when in transit to and from the gallery. When accepted by Malcolm Smith Gallery, the work(s) is covered by the gallery’s insurance.