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24 july to 28 august

To find out more about this competition,
or for a full list of animals and plants
that are classed as threatened species
in the Macarthur region,

visit campbelltown.nsw.gov.au/TSAC
or phone 4645 4601

wollondilly.nsw.gov.au
or phone 4677 1100

camden.nsw.gov.au
or phone 4645 5159



- Artworks on first page:
- 'Painted honeyeater' 2017 Threatened Species Art Competition, 2nd place winner, Carter Stanislad (5-6 years).
 - 'Swift parrot' 2017 Threatened Species Art Competition, 1st place winner, Scarlett Corcoran (10-12 years).
 - 'Cumberland Land Snail' 2017 Threatened Species Art Competition, 3rd place winner, Jonty Carter (5-6 years).



The Macarthur region, our backyard, is home to a wide diversity of native plants and animals that are at risk of disappearing forever.

To raise awareness and to celebrate National Threatened Species Day on 7 September, kids across the Macarthur region are invited to learn more about local threatened species and create artworks and creative writing pieces that will help teach the wider community about how, together, we can help to protect these species.

How to enter

Entering the competition is easy. Simply complete the entry form on this brochure with your artwork or creative writing piece to one of the following venues:

In person



**Campbelltown City Council
Civic Centre**

Customer Service Desk,
Cnr Queen and Broughton Streets,
Campbelltown



**Camden Council
Administration Building**

70 Central Avenue, Oran Park



**Wollondilly Council
Administration Building**

Customer Service Desk,
62-64 Menangle Street, Picton

By post



Campbelltown City Council
Threatened Species Competition,
PO Box 57, CAMPBELLTOWN NSW 2560



Camden Council
PO BOX 183
Camden NSW 2570



Wollondilly Council
PO Box 21
Picton NSW 2571

Entries close: Tuesday 28 August 2018

Entering an artwork

All you need to do is ensure that your entry:

- is on an A4 piece of paper
- is of a threatened plant or animal species that occurs in the Macarthur region
- has an entry form attached.

If you are entering as a school, please ensure that each student's name, age, school and class is identified on the artwork.

Be as creative as possible. You could use pens, pencils, crayons, or even stick things on, like leaves, twigs or cellophane.

Prizes

Artwork entries will be judged across the following age groups:

5-6 years

7-9 years

10-12 years

- **1st prize:** Threatened species Eco pack valued up to \$250
- **2nd prize:** Threatened species Eco pack valued between up to \$100
- **3rd prize:** Threatened species Eco pack valued up to \$50

Entering a creative writing story

We want you to write a short story that celebrates the beauty and uniqueness of our threatened plants and animals. You can get as creative as you like, however the story must include facts about one or more of the following:

- the plant or animal's habitat
- the plant or animal's diet
- the threats to the plant or animal
- how you think we can save the plant or animal from extinction.

Entry is open to writers aged 8 to 12 years.

All you need to do is:

- write a creative story that could be read to someone aged 5-6 years old
- make sure your story is no longer than one A4 page.

Prizes

- There will be one overall winner for best story. This person will win a family pass to Symbio Wildlife Park as well as an Eco Pack. Their story will be published in the Threatened Species Art and Writing Competition Storybook.
- The two best entries from each school will be published in the Threatened Species Art and Writing Competition Storybook. The Storybook will include artworks that match the species that have been written about. Each school will receive a copy of the book and entrants whose story was published will receive a copy to keep. Copies will also be made available to borrow from all Macarthur libraries.

For all other rules to the competition, see back page.



ART ENTRY

First and last name:

Age on 28 August 2018:

Address:

Phone number: Postcode:

Suburb:

Email:

Which threatened species did you draw/paint and why?

WRITING ENTRY

First and last name:

Age on 28 August 2018:

Address:

Phone number: Postcode:

Suburb:

Email:

COMPETITION RULES



Art and creative writing categories

1. Creative writing and artwork entries must be on an A4 piece of paper. Entries close Tuesday 28 August 2018.
2. Entries must feature a threatened plant or animal species that occurs in the Macarthur region.
3. Each individual entry must have an entry form attached
4. If you are entering as a school, please ensure that each student's name, age, school and class is identified on the artwork or story.
5. Creative writing entries must include real facts about the featured plant or animal.
6. Artwork entries can incorporate any medium, including painting, collage and drawing.
7. Entrants in this competition give permission for their artwork and/or story to be publicly displayed and reproduced by print and electronic media by the competition organisers for not-for-profit publications, advertising and promotional purposes, and for their name to be published if they are a winner.
8. Entries will be publicly exhibited throughout the Macarthur region during September.
9. Entries will be available for collection from respective local Council offices following the conclusion of the travelling exhibition.
10. Any uncollected entries will be donated to local schools and/or libraries.
11. All personal information gathered by the competition organisers will be used solely for the purposes of administering the Threatened Species Art and Writing Competition.
12. The judging panel will include a representative from each Council and their decision will be final.
13. Respective Councillors, competition organisers, the judging panel and their immediate families are not eligible to enter the competition.

Judging of creative writing entries

Each year we receive some inspiring reasons as to why students are inspired to create an artwork of their chosen species, and we want to capture these wonderful written words in the form of creative short stories.

To determine the best competition entries, Council's library and environment staff have developed creative writing criteria and will be judging the stories against this.

Creative writing criteria:

- 50% for three or more accurate facts about your chosen species
- 20% creativity
- 10% grammar
- 10% structure. Beginning-middle-end