

Having a Say presents the Barbara Donovan & Sarah Guilfoil Art Competition

28th – 30th January 2025

Deakin University, Waterfront, Geelong



Conference Theme: Our Lives, Our Voices!

People with disabilities have shared a lot about their lives in the last few years.

Our voices have been put on record in reports, reviews and consultations.

But have we *really* been heard?

Will our voices *actually* make a difference?

Will we *continue* to be listened to as things change?

Is support going to be *safer*?

Will we be able to live ordinary lives like others – holding jobs, living with those we want to, enjoying our interests and being part of our communities?

They're *our* lives, and we want our voices to be really listened to... not just recorded but truly respected!



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Thank you to the sponsor of the Art Competition
the Victorian Senior Practitioner.

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Barbara Donovan & Sarah Guilfoil Art Competition



Who can enter the competition?

- Three prizes will be awarded to people registered to attend the HaS conference
- Two prizes will be awarded to non-registered conference artists
- Entry is available only to people with a disability



Conditions of Entry

- The artwork is to be based on the conference theme: **Our Lives, Our Voices!**
- **Only one entry per person**
- We accept paintings and drawings but **not** photographs
- Put your name and contact details on the back of your artwork
- Entries **will not** be accepted at the Conference
- Artwork is to be approximately A3 size (**NO larger than 40cm x 50cm**)
Please note: Large works of art may be photocopied and displayed in A3 format.
- You release VALID from liability for any loss or damage in relation to your artwork
- The prize money is a 'payment', so all winning artworks become the property of the conference sponsor (VSP) and the winning artists agree to give the Senior Practitioner exclusive rights to use the artwork in their publicity and promotional materials – for example, brochures, newsletters, etc.
- Artists give VALID permission to use their artwork in VALID publicity and promotional material and also to promote the art competition for future Having a Say Conferences
- VALID staff, family members and organisers of the Having a Say Conference, including the Local Reference Committee, are not permitted to enter the competition but may display their artwork



About Barbara Donovan & Sarah Guilfoil

The Art Competition has been named in memory of Barbara Donovan who was a Life Member of VALID and other Geelong organisations. She volunteered at the Having a Say conference for over 10 years and worked for people with disabilities over the last 50 years. Sadly, Barbara's daughter Sarah Guilfoil passed away in May 2020. Sarah has won the Art Competition several times. The HaS Art Competition is now named in remembrance of both Barbara and Sarah.



Sponsor

Thank you to the Victorian Senior Practitioner for their continued support of the Art Competition. Under the Disability Act 2006 (Vic), the Victorian Senior Practitioner's role is to protect people with disability and make sure staff and services provide good quality support.

Prizes

The five winning entries selected will receive a cash prize and certificate:

1. **Conference delegates** - The three winning entries will be awarded a cash prize of \$600 and a certificate
2. **Non conference entry** - The two winning entries will receive a cash prize of \$350 and a certificate
3. The winners will be presented with the prize at the Closing Ceremony in Costa Hall at the Having a Say conference



When can you collect your Artwork?

- Artwork, other than the winning entries on display at the conference, may be collected after the Closing Ceremony on Thursday 30th January 2025.
Please Note: You cannot take your artwork from the display. A VALID staff member will hand out the artwork.
- All other artwork can be collected at the VALID office after the conference.
Note: Artwork not collected within 3 months of the conference becomes the property of VALID

Send VALID the following things:

- your original artwork and a signed entry form (pages 3 & 4)
- a short bio about yourself, including what you like about doing art

Post or drop off artwork to the VALID office no later than 30th November 2024:

Currently at 34 Stanley St, Collingwood, but at some stage we are moving to 144-152 Langridge St, Collingwood 3066 **So, please ring 03 9416 4003 to confirm where we are!!**

Tell us about your art and what inspired you

Title:

Description:



Application Form



Your Name:	
Address:	Postcode
Telephone:	Mobile:
Email:	
Contact Person:	

Name *R. Smith*
Address *224 West St*
Manly
Phone Number

Conditions of entry

1. I have read and agree with the conditions of entry
2. If my artwork exceeds A3, I agree to have it photocopied for display as listed in the conditions of entry
3. I understand that **ALL winning artworks** will become the property of the Competition sponsor Victorian Senior Practitioner
4. I give VALID permission to use my artwork in the VALID publications, Conference Report and in promotional material for the Having a Say Conference
5. I understand that if I do not win a prize and I do not collect my artwork from VALID within 3 months of the 2025 conference, the artwork becomes the property of VALID.



Please tell us which prize you are entering by ticking ✓:

- Registered Conference Delegate (\$600)
- Non-registered (i.e. not attending) Conference Delegate



I give **VALID permission** to use my artwork in the VALID Newsletter, Conference Report and in promotional material for the Having a Say Conference



Signed:

Date:

Need more information contact:

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