

TELSTRA NATSIAA

2025 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards

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The 2025 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA) is now accessible to everyone everywhere, via a free virtual gallery.

Through a collaboration between the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT), and Darwin company Rise Consulting, visitors can now navigate their way through the NATSIAA [virtual gallery](#), which showcases all 71 finalist artworks, including this year's category award-winning works.

MAGNT, in partnership with Telstra, invites art lovers across Australia and the world to explore the 2025 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards Telstra (NATSIAA) online—through the [virtual gallery](#), which is now live.

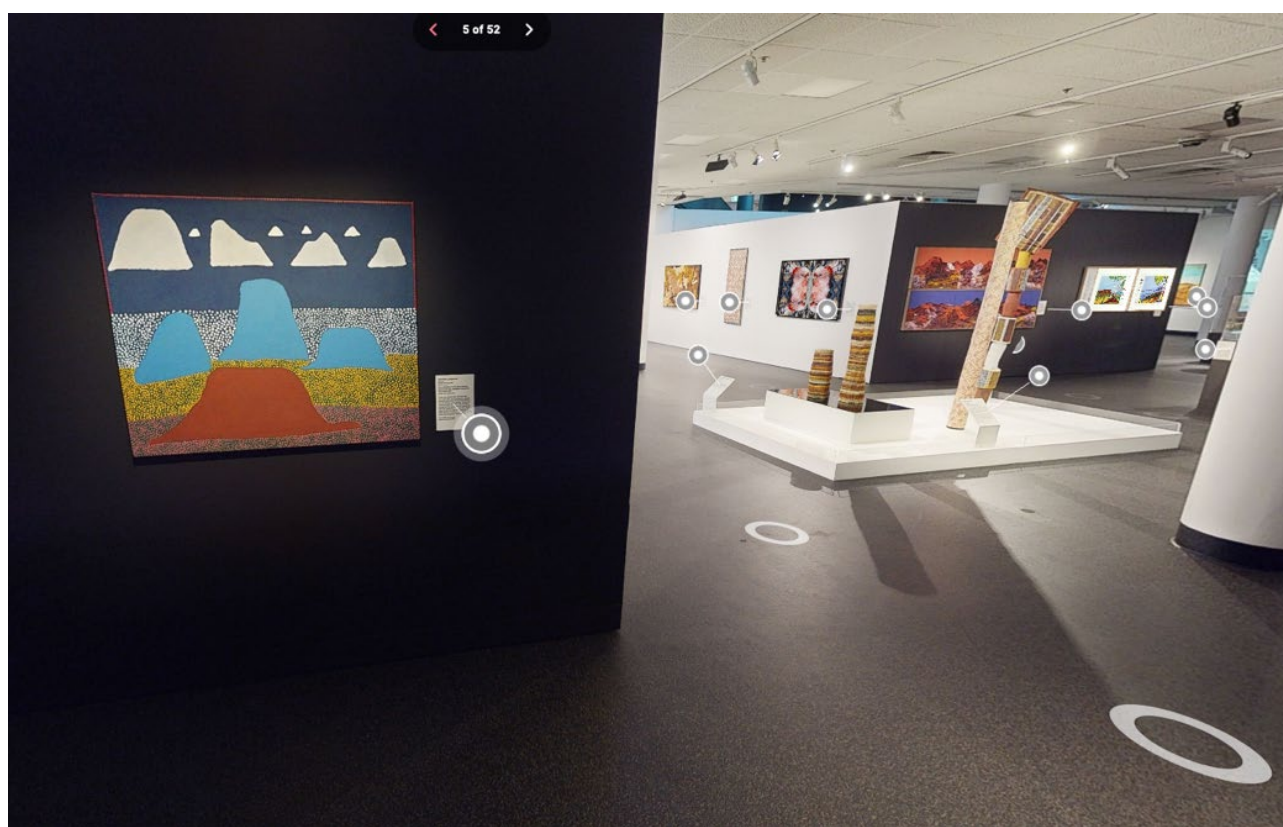


Figure 1 image of the Telstra NATSIAA virtual gallery

With 71 powerful artworks spanning painting, bark, works on paper, sculpture and multimedia, the virtual gallery provides a rich and accessible platform for engaging with contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art. Each artwork is presented with detailed descriptions and the artist's reflections, allowing viewers to connect with themes of Country, identity, kinship, culture and political expression.

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“This year’s finalists represent an incredible spectrum of practice and cultural storytelling,” said MAGNT Director Adam Worrall. “The Virtual Gallery allows us to continue sharing these works with the public long after the ceremony has ended, no matter where they are in the world.”

See the winners online

The 2025 Telstra NATSIAA winners—announced on the lawns of MAGNT in Darwin at the ceremony on August 8th—are now viewable in the Virtual Gallery, alongside all the finalist works.

Telstra Art Award (\$100,000): Gaypalani Waṇambi – *Burwu, blossom*

Telstra General Painting Award: Iluwanti Ken – *Walawuru Tjukurpa (Eagle story)*

Telstra Bark Painting Award: Lucy Yarawanga – *Bawáliba & Ngalyod*

Telstra Work on Paper Award: Naomi Hobson – *Present & Beyond*

Wandjuk Marika Memorial 3D Award: Owen Yalandja – *Ngalkodjek Yawkyawk*

Telstra Multimedia Award: Jahkarli Felicitas Romanis – *Pitta Pitta (Extracted)* and *Pitta Pitta (Google’s Gaze)*

Telstra Emerging Artist Award: Sonia Gurrpulan Guyula – *Mat*

Audiences are also encouraged to cast their vote in the [Telstra People’s Choice Award](#), a non-monetary honour to celebrate the work that resonates most with the public. Voting is open via QR code in-gallery or through the online platform.

Explore the Virtual Gallery Today

www.magnt.net.au/2025-telstra-natsiaa

Advisory warning for accessing the virtual gallery

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander visitors are advised that this exhibition contains artwork and names of people who have passed. Their artwork is exhibited with permission from their families. Audiences are advised that some artworks in this exhibition include discussions and depictions of colonial violence and death. This content may be disturbing to some visitors. Viewer discretion is advised.

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