

Community Gallery Application



Applications for 2026 close on 31 July 2025.

Individuals and groups are invited to submit applications for exhibitions in 2026. The Community Gallery is a high-profile exhibition space located at the Gosford Regional Gallery. The purpose of this space is to provide opportunities for local artists to present their work in a regional context.

The aims of the Community Gallery are to:

- Promote the breadth and diversity of local artists
- Provide a platform for artists to develop their work
- Stimulate the community through the provision of interesting and diverse exhibitions

The Community Gallery is a self-contained gallery space of approximately 30 lineal meters. Included in the hire is access to a professional hanging and lighting system, basic tools, and exhibition plinths. Exhibiting artists are to install and supervise their exhibition and manage their own sales.

Applications will be assessed by a panel, based on the following selection criteria.

- Interesting and diverse exhibition content
- Relevance to, and engagement with, the Central Coast community
- Quality of the artists and proposed artwork
- Benefits to local artists

Selected applicants will be allocated times based on preference and availability.

Gosford Regional Gallery reserves the right to program exhibitions into the Community Gallery that help to deliver its aims and create a diverse program. These may include educational exhibitions, in-house curated exhibitions, and joint projects with other community organisations.

Gosford Community Gallery Exhibition Application Form:

Contact name(s)			
Organisation/ group name (if any)			
Email address			
Phone number			
Mailing address			
Proposed exhibition title (or working title)			
Please provide any website or online profile of you work.			
Preferred exhibition length.	 Weekend 1 week 11 days 2 weeks 3 weeks 	Do you have a preferred month?	
Do you require specific dates? If so, provide reasons, e.g. National XXX Week,			·

Please answer the following questions

1. Please describe the exhibition outline. (150 words)

2. How will the exhibition engage the Central Coast Community? (150 words)

3. How will the artists and artworks be selected? Will you have a selection process to ensure high quality artwork? (150 words)

4. How will this exhibition benefit the artists involved? (150 words)

- 5. Please attach a short CV for each artist ¹/₂ page (up to 10 artists) or a description of the activities of your group
- 6. Please attach up to 10 images that are representative of the proposed exhibition

I agree to the terms and conditions for Community Gallery exhibitions and have attached the required documents.

Signed: ______ (type name if completing online)

Date: _____

Submission:

Proposals should be submitted to: the Gosford Regional Gallery, 36 Webb Street, East Gosford NSW 2250 or emailed to <u>gallery@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au</u>



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Exhibition Fee Schedule 2026

There is a \$25% reduction for solo or two-person exhibitions.

Community Gallery hire periods																					
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1 week \$780																					
11 days \$1035																					
2 weeks \$1090																					
3 weeks \$1210																					

The Community Gallery is part of a network of community spaces provided by Central Coast Council. You may also wish to consider exhibiting in these venues.

- The Entrance Gallery
 A dedicated space within the Entrance Community Centre. For more information, see https://www.gosfordregionalgallery.com/page/exhibit-us
- Gallery Container, Toukley Village Green
 A dedicated creative space for the community, booked in three-month blocks.
 Apply at <u>www.lovecentralcoast.com/creative-spaces</u>
- The Art House

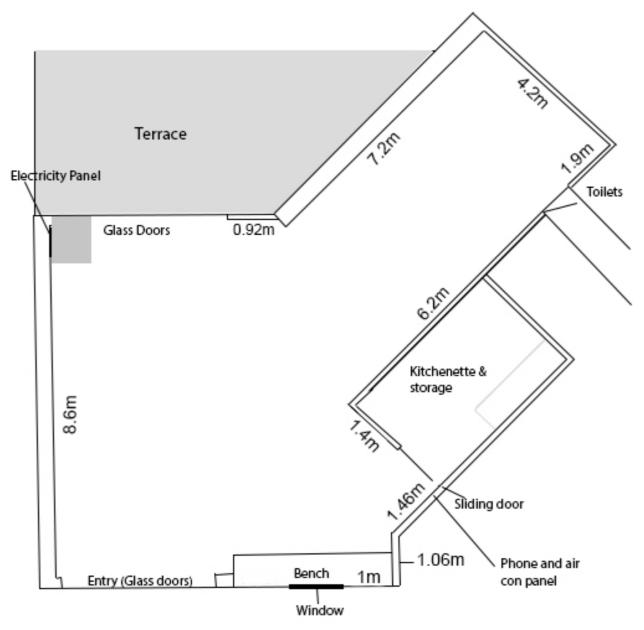
A dedicated exhibition space within the Art House complex at Wyong. There is no hire fee. Email <u>info@thearthousewyong.com.au</u> or call on 4335 1485

Toukley Gallery
 Managed by Toukley & Districts Art Society. Email <u>toukleyartgallery@gmail.com</u>



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Please note: the space in front of the Electricity Panel needs to be kept clear of artworks and plinths as access to the panel is often required. All doors also need to be kept clear.



Terms and Conditions of Use

Hire fees and payment

An invoice for a \$250 deposit will be sent out on acceptance of your application. Exhibition organisers must pay this deposit within 30 days of the issue of the invoice in order to confirm their booking. The remaining balance is required to be paid two months before the booking date. Payment options include BPAY, or paying in person at Gosford Regional Gallery in East Gosford, by cheque or EFTPOS

Cancellation policy

Exhibitions cancelled with less than four months' notice will forfeit their deposit.

Promotion

The exhibition fee includes the following promotion:

- Design and printing of 300 single sided DL-sized exhibition invitations for your distribution (including up to 50 for distribution at Gosford Regional Gallery),
- Design and printing of a banner for the front of the Community Gallery
- An exhibition listing on the Gosford Regional Gallery website.
- A post on Gosford Regional Gallery's social media.

You are welcome to undertake your own promotion of the exhibition including directly contacting local news outlets (we cannot do this on your behalf). Please ensure you refer to the Gallery by its correct name: **Gosford Regional Gallery**. If you wish to refer to the garden in your publicity, the correct name is **Edogawa Commemorative Garden**. We are located at 36 Webb Street, East Gosford.

Insurance

Insurance of artworks in the studio is the responsibility of the exhibition organiser. Gosford Regional Gallery and Central Coast Council do not accept any responsibility for loss or damage during the hire period. Hirers may need to have their own Public Liability insurance depending on the type of group or organisation and depending on the type of activity. We cannot provide advice on this or other insurance matters.

Access and Opening Hours

The hire period is INCLUSIVE of your delivery, installation and de-installation, so you need to plan accordingly. No artworks can be dropped off before or picked up after the hire period dates. The Community Gallery is generally booked back-to-back; therefore, it is likely there will be hirers in the gallery the day before and the day after your hire period. Please extend to them the same courtesy you would expect.

Time of access

Your access begins at 9am on the first day of your hire period and finishes at 10pm on the last day of your hire period. Gosford Regional Gallery is open from 9:30am daily, with staff generally



onsite from 9am – 5pm. If you arrive and find the building locked, please call the Gallery on (02) 4304 7550 for access.

Opening hours:

The Community Gallery opening hours must be the same as the Gosford Regional Gallery's opening hours, which are daily 9:30am – 4:00pm, seven days a week. Gosford Regional Gallery is open most public holidays,

Signage

The Community Gallery has exhibition banners which hang out the front of the building. No other signage is permitted in the reserve or forecourt.

Installation/De-installation

Delivery/collection and installation/de-installation of artwork is the responsibility of the exhibition organiser and should take place within the hire period. Artworks may not be dropped off to the Gallery before the hire period, nor remain in the Gallery after the hire period.

Drilling, stapling, drawing or marking the walls of the Gallery is prohibited. Blu-tac is the only permissible adhesive to use on the gallery walls. The exhibition layout must meet requirements for wheelchair accessibility. Fire exits must not be blocked at any time, and access to the electricity panel must be kept clear.

The following equipment is supplied as part of your hire: lighting, plinths, wire hanging system with push button hooks, ladder. Cleaning equipment and paint and painting equipment for painting plinths is available on request.

Hirers are permitted to adjust lighting direction only (by rotating movable Gallery lights). Should lighting need to be added, removed or relocated this must be done by a Gosford Regional Gallery staff member. Please give prior warning if you wish for this to occur, as not all staff members are authorised to work with lighting.

If any equipment, including plinths, is not packed away at the end of the hire period, an additional cleaning fee will be charged.

Exhibition Opening Events

Opening events must be approved in advance by the Gallery. The hirer is responsible for catering and service. Alcohol can be served at opening events without a Liquor Licence provided you are not charging for drinks, nor taking donations, and provided alcohol is only served and consumed within the Community Gallery venue. Exhibition openings are considered a private event. If you wish to charge entry, or charge / take donations for alcohol, you must have a Liquor Licence and alcohol must be served by someone holding a current Responsible Service of Alcohol card (RSA).



an assortment of wine glasses are available in the cupboard in the Kitchen/Storage. You are responsible for checking whether these are sufficient for your needs and obtaining additional glasses if required. You are also responsible for cleaning and replacing the glasses in the cupboards after your event and keeping the kitchen clean and tidy at all times.

All opening functions must conclude by 10pm. Please ensure that guests leave the premises with as little disruption as possible to Gallery neighbours.

Sale of Works

Artworks may be for sale and this will be the responsibility of the exhibition organiser. Gosford Regional Gallery does not take commission from sales at the Community Gallery. Please do not leave any cash in the Gallery overnight. Collection of sold works should occur during the hire period or arranged to be collected from another location after the exhibition. The Gosford Regional Gallery will not accept responsibility for collection of sold works.

Cleaning/Waste Disposal

It is the responsibility of exhibition organisers to ensure that the space is left in a clean and tidy condition each day. The Gallery's cleaners will clean the toilets once daily. They also will empty the rubbish bin at the conclusion of the hire period, but exhibition organisers are responsible for any additional disposal of waste required during the hire period and following any opening function.

Condition Inspection

A condition inspection will take place following the completion of the exhibition hire period. The Community Gallery must be left in a similar condition to which it was found at the commencement of the hire, or an additional cleaning fee will be charged. Materials supplied as part of the venue hire will be audited after each use to ensure all items are accounted for. Hirers may be charged the value of items if it is deemed the items have gone missing during their hire period.

Additional Charges

Hirers may be charged extra after their exhibitions if they have not taken away their artworks and rubbish, have not packed away the plinths, have caused damage to the venue or equipment, and/or have lost the keys to the venue.

General Conditions of Use

The use of The Community Gallery is solely for exhibitions, with the exception of exhibition opening events. If you wish to hold workshops or other events, please discuss this with Gallery staff prior to your booking period.



ATTACHMENT A:

Below is an example of the invitation design layout. You will be requested to submit the following information through a webform well in advance of your exhibition, so please begin preparing this as soon as your application has been accepted.

- Artist/group name
- Exhibition title
- Exhibition dates (flyer will also say: Open daily 9:30am 4:00pm)
- Exhibition opening and/or other public event details, if applicable, including date and time
- 50-words (or shorter) paragraph about the exhibition
- Contact details for enquiries (note that this will appear on the flyer if you have privacy concerns, you might wish to use an email address rather than a phone number)
- One or several high resolution images
- Image credits (e.g. Artwork Title by Artist Name)

Example of a Community Gallery flyer:



Artist/group presents Exhibition Title

A 50 words or less description about your exhibition This should be who, what, why plus participating artists names and other details A 50 words or less description about your exhibition

Friday 5 May 2023 – Wednesday 17 May 2023 Open daily 9.30am – 4.00pm Official opening event date and time The Community Gallery, Gosford Regional Gallery, 36 Webb Street, East Gosford.

Enquiries: contact name 0000 000 000



Image: artwork by artist.