

City Rural Emerging Artist Award 2026 – Terms & Conditions

1. Entry to this award is restricted to persons who:
 - a. are taking part in an exhibition/event registered in the 2026 SALA Festival.
 - b. are a living artist residing in South Australia
 - c. are in the early stages of their career with under five years of professional experience
2. Entries to this award:
 - a. close at 11:59pm Wednesday 13 May 2026
 - b. are limited to 1 per artist
3. The artwork submitted to this award must:
 - a. be the original work of the artist named in the form
 - b. have been created/completed since May 2025 and not previously submitted to the SALA Awards.
 - c. comply with the SALA Participant Terms & Conditions
 - d. comply with the SALA First Nations Rights Policy
 - e. **destined for exhibition in the 2026 SALA Festival at the specific exhibition/event named in the award form.**
4. Judging
 - a. Finalists will be determined prior to the Festival by a panel of judges based on the award nomination forms and will be announced in July.
 - b. The winner/s of the award will be determined by a panel of judges during the 2026 SALA Festival and announced at the conclusion of the Festival. Any changes to the visiting conditions (eg. open dates, open hours) of finalist exhibitions may affect the judging of the finalist work and need to be communicated to the SALA Festival office as early as possible.
 - c. The judges' decision will be final and no further correspondence will be entered into.
5. Finalists of this award are expected to attend the SALA Finissage event where the winner announcement will take place. If the artist cannot attend, a representative must attend on their behalf or the artist risks forfeiting their prize if named as the winner. The Finissage event takes place in the City of Adelaide at the conclusion of the SALA Festival. Finalists will be invited to this event via the email address provided in the application form.
6. Copyright of the images resides with the artist unless otherwise negotiated and agreed upon in writing between all parties, save that by submitting this form, you hereby grant SA Living Artists Inc and City Rural Insurance Brokers a free, irrevocable and perpetual licence to copy and/or use the images submitted by you for judging and promotional purposes.
7. Employees and associates of SALA Festival and City Rural Insurance Brokers are not eligible for the award.
8. Please note that this award is non-acquisitive. The winning work will remain the property of the artist.
9. Prize money will be paid to the artist who makes the award application. Artwork created by multiple artists are welcome, however the division of prize money to collaborating artists is the responsibility of the artist who makes the award application.

Please direct any queries to the SALA Festival office on 7077 0011.