



Summer Festival | 2023 / 2024



# REJOICE

## Visual Arts Guidelines

*“ ... the Lord your God will bless you in all your produce and in all the work of your hands, so that you surely rejoice” (Deut 16:15)*

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## Visual Arts Festival (2023-2024)

### **The Aim**

Encouraging all participants to explore their talents in visual artwork

### **Categories**

#### **Painting**

Common media including oil, acrylic, gouache and watercolour

#### **Drawing**

Common media including graphite, ink, inked brushes, wax colour, coloured pencil, charcoal and pastels

#### **Other Formats**

Wooden work, Leather work, Hand Craft or other handmade visual medium

### **Age Group**

Participants can be from any of the following Age groups:

- Grades 1-3
- Grades 4-6
- Grades 7-9
- Year 10-12
- Youth (19 – 29 years old)
- Adults (30+)

### **Deadlines**

Artwork Submission Day

**04-FEB-2024**

### **Exhibition Date & Venue**

The Closing Ceremony 2023/2024

### **Entry Limit:**

Only **one (1) piece** of artwork may be submitted **per participant**

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## Guidelines

- Depending on any future COVID-19 restrictions and state regulations, participants may be required to send their work by post/mail. For painting and drawing it must be kept as flat and not folded
- The visual artwork can be but not necessarily relate to the theme of the summer festival “Rejoice”. It must represent our orthodox church faith and beliefs
- Participants to create their own artwork and not to copy from the SF activity booklet
- On/With the Art Work piece, Please make sure to **stick a clearly visible PRINTED piece of paper** with the following details:
  - Participant First and Last Name
  - Participant Age Group
  - Participant Church Name
  - Title of the Artwork
  - Describe the visual artwork in approximately five (5) sentences.
  - Responsible Servant Name
- All participants to submit their artwork to SF Visual Arts Panel
- Please make sure to follow the submission deadline
- Every participant will be awarded with a participation medal at the Closing Ceremony
- **New This Year:** *There will be **BEST Awards** across age groups and also presentation at the SF closing ceremony*
- SF Certificates will be awarded to all participants

## How to Submit the Work:

- First, The Visual Art Leader within the church is fully responsible to submit the participant details and his/her art work piece details on the registration website **by the due date.**

### **No Online Registration .... No Valid Submission & No Award.**

- The submission of the actual piece of the artwork must be made:
  - In person for local Melbourne Churches on the festival day
    - It is highly recommended that the participants to be accompanied by the servant on the festival day while submitting, so the Visual Arts committee can have a chat with them.
  - By Post for all Interstate Churches

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- At the end of the Summer Festival Closing Ceremony, each church MUST have a nominated responsible servant to collect all the Art work pieces for their church to hand it over to the participants.
- For Interstate churches: Please write SINGLE mailing address for your church so the SF visual arts panel can return your artworks

## **Evaluation Criteria:**

- **Skill:**
  - o The technical skills and use of media and materials
- **Final Work:**
  - o Purpose of ideas in finished visual artwork
- **Elements and Principles of Composition:**
  - o Knowledge of core visual arts concepts, forms, styles, and conventions
- **Practitioner’s statement:**
  - o Evaluation of visual artwork against personal and set criteria
- **Creativity:**
  - o Evaluation of using new ideas and presenting the topic in various ways

## **Donations**

You may choose to make a donation for summer festival using details below:

**Account Name:** Coptic Orthodox Church Diocese of Melbourne – Community Festival

**BSB:** 063-159

**ACC:** 10729454

## **Visual Arts Committee Contacts**

You can contact the committee on email: [sfmelbvisualarts@gmail.com](mailto:sfmelbvisualarts@gmail.com)

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## **Anthem 2023/2024**

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(By the grace of God we grow  
And give fruits a hundredfold  
And His Spirit dwells within us  
Gives us joy as the Bible told) **x 2**

J

(Rejoice in your faith and church  
Handed down to us by God  
Be firm in prayers and doctrine  
And build your life on His word) **x 2**

O

(Our Lord wants us faithful  
Glorified and joyful) **x2**  
Always joyful

I

For He has redeemed us on the cross  
And gave us eternal life  
When you're a temple for His dwelling  
Sadness will not be a choice

C

Praise and thank God every day and you...  
And you will surely rejoice!

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### **Contact us on:**

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