



2026 LLL Synod Art Competition

Calling all artists and aspiring creatives!

LLL Australia, together with the Lutheran Church of Australia Queensland District, is delighted to announce the 2026 LLL Synod Art Competition to be held as part of next year's convention of the Synod. Proudly sponsored by LLL Australia, this competition seeks to inspire and celebrate creativity across our District, while embracing the convention theme for the year.

Entrants are invited to create artworks reflecting the 2026 convention theme:

"Open Door to Spiritual Renewal: Reborn in Water, Renewed by the Spirit."

Based on Titus 3:5: *"He saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit."*

With a range of age-group categories, this is a wonderful opportunity for people of all ages to express their faith through art. Winning entries from each category will be proudly displayed at the 2026 convention of the Synod, sharing the beauty of creativity and the message of renewal with our wider Lutheran community.

Category 1:

- Age group - 0 to 5 years
- Cash prize for the winner \$250

Category 2:

- Age group - Primary School (ages 6 – 9 years)
- Cash prize for the winner \$450

Category 3:

- Age group - Middle School (ages 10 – 13 years)
- Cash prize for the winner \$650

Category 4:

- Age group – High School (ages 14 – 17 years)
- Cash prize for the winner \$850

Category 5:

- Open Category
- Cash prize for the winner \$1,250

Category 6:

- Seniors (65+ years)
- Cash prize for the winner \$500



Entrant rules:

- ❖ **Important note:** We value each participant's unique creativity. Please ensure all artwork is original and created independently by the participant, without any outside assistance from parents or others.
- ❖ 2D artworks will only be accepted (i.e. paintings, drawings, collage, watercolour, mixed media) on 16 x 20 inch wrapped stretched canvas, mounted on board or framed at similar size.
- ❖ Entrants must consider the Synod theme **“Open Door to Spiritual Renewal: Reborn in Water, Renewed by the Spirit”** (based on Titus 3:5) and display their interpretation of the theme in their artwork.
- ❖ Each artwork submission is to be accompanied by a written explanation from the artist of the thought process, design elements and mediums used to create the artwork. **Please note: artist statement to be 150 words or less** (Bible quotes not included in word count). Please explain 1) why you chose the process you used (do not provide a step by step of the process); 2) how have you interpreted the theme; and 3) explain symbols used in your artwork.
- ❖ One submission per entrant.
- ❖ Please indicate clearly which category you are entering and your age at time of submission.
- ❖ Submissions to be received by **no later than 4pm on Friday 24 April 2026**.
- ❖ Submissions to be delivered to the Lutheran Church House – Suite 1, Level 3, 24 McDougall Street, Milton Qld 4064. Please include: entrant's full name, age at time of submission, category submission and contact details (phone number, postal address and email address).
- ❖ Entrants who have not been nominated as a category winner, will need to arrange collection of their artwork by emailing LCAQD Event Coordinator (contact details below).
- ❖ Category winning entrants will be notified by Friday 15th May 2026, of further details pertaining to this event.
- ❖ Category winners will loan their artwork to the LCAQD for display at Lutheran Church House for 12 months. After this time, category winners will need to arrange collection of their artwork by emailing LCAQD Event Coordinator.
- ❖ Artwork submissions will be judged by a small panel of qualified art educators from the Lutheran education school community, prior to the 2026 convention of the Synod.

Submission Deadline: Friday 24 April 2025 by no later than 4pm

Please deliver/post submissions to:

**Lutheran Church House
Attention: Linda Thomson
Suite 1, Level 3,
24 McDougall Street
Milton Qld 4064**

For any LCAQD Synod Art Competition enquiries, please contact Linda Thomson (LCAQD Event Coordinator) on linda.thomson@qld.lca.org.au or 3512 7284.