



# DRAWING & COLOURING COMPETITION

## GUIDELINES & PRINCIPLES

### About this competition

**Berwick Springs Lake is our community's heart.** This drawing and colouring competition invites artists of all ages to capture the beauty, nature, and community spirit that make Berwick Springs Lake special. Whether you are colouring one of our templates or creating an original artwork, this is about expressing what the lake means to you – we want to see it!

#### What we are looking for:

- Berwick Springs Lake's natural beauty across seasons;
- Wildlife, birdlife, and native flora;
- Community moments – walks, picnics, families enjoying the space;
- Favourite spots: the bridge, the fountain, the pergola, the playground;
- What makes you love Berwick Springs Lake.

**Themes:** *Love for Berwick Springs Lake | Connection to Nature | Community Spirit | Heritage*

### Age categories

Entries are judged within three age categories to ensure fair and appropriate recognition:

Category	Ages	Notes
Little Artists	Under 6	All forms of creative expression are welcome. Pre-set templates encouraged.
Junior Artists	6 – 10	Pre-set or blank template for artists' original work. Judged on creativity and effort.
Senior Artists	11 and over	Pre-set or blank template for artists' original work. All skill levels and ages welcome.

### Eligibility

- Artwork must depict Berwick Springs Lake, its surrounds, wildlife, or community life.
- Artwork must be the original creation of the person submitting (parental/guardian assistance permitted for younger children under the "Little Artists" category).
- All entries must use one of the provided Berwick Springs Community templates. Templates include scenes of Berwick Springs Lake for colouring, as well as a blank canvas for original drawings and paintings.
- Any medium is welcome: pencil, crayon, watercolour, pastel, marker, or a combination.
- Digital artwork and AI-generated images are **not** eligible.
- Up to two submissions per participant per round.



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## Submission

- Submit by emailing a clear, well-lit photo of the completed artwork to **info@berwicksprings.com.au** by the closing date for each round. Include the artist's first name and age.  
Note: A parent or guardian must send the email if submitting on behalf of a child.
- Up to two submissions per round — use a different title/description for each.
- Colouring templates are available for download from the [Berwick Springs Community website](#) (under Drawing & Colouring Competition).
- By submitting, you:
  - ✓ Confirm this is the artist's original work;
  - ✓ Consent to the artwork being shared on Berwick Springs Community social media channels (with first name and age credited). Note: Only the artist's first name and age will be published; surnames and contact details will **not** be shared publicly;
  - ✓ Agree implicitly to the terms and conditions outlined in this document.

### Closing dates:

Round	Submissions close
Round 1: April – May	31 May 2026
Round 2: June – July	31 July 2026
Round 3: August – September	30 September 2026

## What happens to submissions

- **Shortlisting:** At the close of each round, the competition organisers will select a shortlist of entries in each age category for public voting.
- **Round winners:** One winner per category per round, selected via community vote on the Berwick Springs Community [Facebook page](#).
- **Overall winners:** One overall winner per category, selected by a combination of competition organisers and community vote on the Berwick Springs Community [Facebook page](#). Overall winners will be showcased at Berwick Springs Lake Day 2026 and recognised in the Berwick Springs Community [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).
- All artwork may be shared on Berwick Springs Community social media channels (with artist's first name and age credited).

### Winner announcements:

Round	Winners announced
Round 1: April – May	June 2026
Round 2: June – July	August 2026
Round 3: August – September	October 2026
Overall winner	November 2026



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## Judging criteria

- Creativity and imagination.
- Use of colour and artistic expression.
- Relevance to Berwick Springs Lake and competition themes.
- Capture something special about Berwick Springs Lake and the community.

**Note:** Judging will be age-appropriate. A five-year-old's vibrant scribbles are valued just as a teenager's or adult's detailed illustration – both express a connection to Berwick Springs Lake and the community.

## Selection process

- **Shortlisting:** By the competition organisers.
- **Round winners:** By community vote on the [Berwick Springs Community Facebook page](#).
- **Overall winners:** A combination of community vote and competition organisers.

## Prizes

- **Shortlisted entries:** Feature on social media ([Facebook page](#)) and [website](#).
- **Round winners:** Extended feature on social media, [website](#) and certificate.
- **Overall winners:** Feature on social media, [website](#), certificate, and special recognition at Berwick Springs Lake Day 2026.

## Important notes

- This is a community celebration, not a professional competition.
- Participation implies support for restoring and officially gazetting the name “Berwick Springs Lake.”
- Competition organisers reserve the right to:
  - Disqualify entries that do not meet eligibility criteria;
  - Not select a winner in any given round if submissions do not meet the quality threshold;
  - Introduce small modifications to competition rules with reasonable notice to participants;
  - Make final decisions on all matters related to the competition.
- Competition organisers' decisions are final.

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*Share your art and love with your community.*

### **Berwick Springs Community**

Website: [www.berwicksprings.com.au](http://www.berwicksprings.com.au)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/berwicksprings](http://www.facebook.com/berwicksprings)