

A Self Portrait



*Are you going to sketch yourself?
Paint how you feel?
Make it surreal or realistic?
Art you going to try impressionism,
digital art, minimalism?
Will it be you as a whole or a snippet
of you?*

THEME: An Icon



*What is an icon to you? Is it a brand, a
person, hero or villain?
Is it a symbol or token that means
something to you. Or something truly
iconic in the world?*

Art in April 2024

as part of the



Shaun Tan Award for
YOUNG ARTISTS

You will need at least pencil & paper.

*We encourage trying out different mediums.
You may be able to access these at school or
your local library or borrow from family and
friends*

***Art in April is a program of events and
activities run by the City of Subiaco.***

A Close Up



What interests you to see up close?

Nature, people, industry, urban.

What can you zoom in on for your artwork?

A Cover



For your favourite book, song, tv show or movie.

Will it be realistic, abstract, minimal, surrealist?

Will it be painted, sketched, pop with poscas or drawn digitally?

Theme: Something you can't live without



Is it an actual human need or a need of your own creation. Are you making a statement on society or an honest observation?

What can you say with your art?

Study and Observe something



*Head out to the park and paint what you see. Ask someone to sit for you
Paint a vase at home, your bookcase, your bedroom.*

Use your skills of study and observation then and there for your artwork

Theme: Black & White



*What does it mean to you?
Is it sketching, charcoal, the image,
the technique.*

Freestyle using a new style/process



*Create anything using a new process.
Sketch if you usually paint.
Use pastels if you never have
Print, stamp or try digital art.*

Snapshot of Nature



*What element of nature?
Underwater, animals, plants,
microscopic.
Is it a wide lens landscape or a micro
look?*

Remix a favourite artwork



*Look for inspiration from artwork you
already like and add your own twist. It
could be a caricature of The Scream
or an underwater Starry Night.
What can you remix?*

Can you paint a memory?

*Is it a happy memory? Childhood?
An important item, moment?
What paint are you using -
watercolours, poster, acrylic?*

Theme: A Treasure

*Is it buried treasure? Dragon guarded
treasure? Something you treasure?
Something lost or found?
Is it abstract or literal?*

Capture an emotion through an art style you don't often use?

*Do some people watching, watch
emotions do you see?
Is there an emotion you want to share?
Art styles you might want to try (abstract,
geometric, pop, minimalist)?*

Shadows & Highlights

*Think about shadows and highlights in
your work. Where do they come from?
How do you make sure they're correct
What power do they have?*