



Young artists win big in state art award

Last week, the City of Subiaco announced the winners of the prestigious 2026 Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists.

Jolie Reutens from Shenton College won first place in the Upper Secondary category with a piece called *When We Still Fit*, which the judges described as, "alive, joyful and cheeky."

Meishun Zhao from St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls took out the Lower Secondary category with their piece *Mr Jack Yan*, which features a subject that the judges found to be, "adorable with a wonderful expression."

From the Primary entrants, Amy Xinnian Chen from Highgate Primary School won the Upper Primary category with *A Meal of Euphoria*, Isabella Leong from Oberthur Primary School tied for first in the Middle Primary category with *Entering the Giant's Book Nook*, sharing the win with Leo Malicdem from

Perth Art School - Du FN Academy of Fine Arts for his piece *A Little Nap*.

Daisy Robertson from Yuluma Primary School won the Lower Primary Category with *My Family as Red-Tailed Black Cockatoos*.

Mayor David McMullen congratulated the winners and finalists in the 2026 award.

"The creativity, imagination, and technical skill we see in entries every year is quite amazing. The City is proud to support opportunities like this award to celebrate emerging talent, and encourage the next generation of artists across the state."

The exhibition of winners and finalists can be viewed at Subiaco Library until Sunday 2 August. View the full list of finalists at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/award.

Science Week at the library

Subiaco Library is celebrating all things Science Week with two hands-on activities inspired by this year's theme, 'Seeds of Science: Nurturing Knowledge for All'.

Einsteins Australia will lead an interactive session on Monday 10 August, inviting children aged six and over to explore science through experiments, discovery, and play, and Ocean Discovery Education will run a session about the marine world on Monday 17 August. Find out more and register for your free spot at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events.

Bright lights at Market Square

The City recently completed a decorative lighting upgrade for the iconic rotunda at Market Square Park, creating a welcoming environment for evening visitors.

The new lighting highlights the rotunda's character, and also delivers safety and structural benefits to the park, which hosts major events like the popular Subi Night Market, UnWined Subiaco, and more. View the 'glow-tunda' in action on the City's Facebook page.

WA Young Writers Award closing soon

There are less than two weeks for young writers to submit their entries into the 2026 WA Young Writers Award.

The award recognises the innovation, creativity, and originality of young writers across the state.

Entries close at 5.30pm on Monday 10 August. Read more and submit your story online via www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/awards.

Rowland Street Precinct upgrades unveiled

The Rowland Street Precinct has been transformed into a greener, safer, and more connected space as a series of upgrades have been completed.

The works include an upgrade of the Rowland Street carpark, the revitalisation of Kannis Lane to improve amenity and connection between the carpark and Rokeby Road, and the completion of three new public artworks. These artworks include murals by Leanne Bray and Jacob Butler (Shakey), and a laneway filled with miniature artworks by Graeme Miles Richards.

The project forms part of the City's ongoing investment in creating high-quality, accessible public spaces that everyone can enjoy.

Read more at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.

Rates Notices on the way

City ratepayers will receive their 2026-27 Rates Notices this week by email or post. If you've signed up for eRates, you'll receive your notice by email – otherwise, a hard copy will follow via the regular postal service.

For more information, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/rates.

Free parking

Did you know the City has a range of free parking options? Your first hour is free in many spots, and City-owned carparks also offer unrestricted free parking after 5pm on weekdays and all weekend.

Find out more on the City's website.

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Homelessness Week Community Talk

Monday 3 August, 6pm to 7.30pm
Subiaco Library, 237 Rokeby Road
Free

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Museum Morning – Influential People of Subiaco

Thursday 6 August, 10am to 11.30am
Subiaco Museum, 239 Rokeby Road
Free

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Friday Film Club – Watership Down

Friday 7 August, 6pm to 9pm
Subiaco Library, 237 Rokeby Road
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Interactive End-of-Life Planning Workshop

Saturday 8 August, 10am to 12pm
The Third Place, 325 Barker Road
Free

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Science Week – Seeds of Science

Monday 10 August, 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Subiaco Library, 237 Rokeby Road
Free

To view all upcoming events, visit
www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events.

Finalisation of Local Planning Policies

At its July 2026 meeting, Council proceeded with Local Planning Policy 1.1 – Residential Development (Low and Medium Density), and at its August 2025 meeting, Council proceeded with Local Planning Policy 1.2 – Residential Development (Apartments).

The local planning policies can be downloaded from the Planning and Development section of the City's website at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au.

Review of City local laws

At its July 2026 meeting, Council resolved to review seven of the City's local laws. They will be open for public comment in the two groups below.

Open until Friday 31 July to Friday 11 September:

- Local Law Relating to Dogs 2000
- Health Local Laws 1999
- Meeting Procedures Local Law 2013

Open Friday 11 September to Friday 23 October:

- Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places Local Law 2014
- Local Government Property Local Law 2014
- Local Law Relating to Parking 1999
- Trading in Public Places Local Law 2014

The City will then consider community feedback and determine whether each local law should remain unchanged, be amended, or repealed.

For more information and to have your say, visit www.haveyoursay.subiaco.wa.gov.au.



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