

TWEED VALLEY HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT

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Call to local artists to feature at new Tweed Valley Hospital

Local artists are invited to take part in the arts and culture program for the new Tweed Valley Hospital to enhance patient, visitor, staff and carer experiences.

The Tweed Valley hospital will feature a range of artwork which will give the state-of-the-art facility a unique and distinctive identity and create a welcoming space for patients, staff and the community.

Expressions of Interest are now open for a series of artwork opportunities. This is an exciting time for local artists to get involved and contribute to the arts and culture program for the new hospital.



Artists are invited to design artwork that explore themes or stories that have cultural significance, recognise the Traditional Owners of the land, as well as depicting regional landscapes and land use such as farming and agriculture.

Selected artworks will be incorporated into the public spaces of the hospital with opportunities to feature as part of framed works and wall art, as well as integrated full-length wall graphics which will create a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment.

The arts and culture program for the new Tweed Valley hospital is about much more than just deciding the paintings that will hang on the walls; it aims to leave a positive lasting cultural legacy for the community and create a significant opportunity to recognise and respect the history of the region.

To support these aims, interest is specifically being sought from experienced artists from the Tweed Valley area, or those with a significant connection to the region.

The launch of the second stage of the arts program follows the appointment of local Tweed-based artist, Hiromi Tango, as the artist for the main sculpture 'Garden', which will be suspended from the high ceilings in the main entry foyer.

Dedicated spaces for works that showcase the culture and the history of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the region, as well as the Australian South Sea Islander community, also form a key element of the arts and culture planned for the Tweed Valley Hospital.

Artists must submit a response that fulfils the requirements as outlined in the Expression of Interest Artist Brief, available <u>here</u>.

The closing date for submissions is Monday, 18 October 2021. All enquiries and submissions should be sent to eoi@iamprojects.com.au.