

"MELTING POT 2026" NATIONAL CERAMICS EXHIBITION

Cairns Art Gallery 10 October 2026 to 5 December 2026

The Exhibition is open to the public and free entry.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All entries must be the original work of the entrant, or entrants if a joint work, completed within the last 24 months and must not have won a previous award.
2. Entry forms and administration fees must be received by Sunday 20 September 2026.
Entries may be submitted in one of the following ways:
Online: Complete the MELTING POT 2026 online entry form on the Cairns Potters Club website: www.cairnspottersclub.com
Email: Complete the entry form and email it to: cairnspottersclub1@gmail.com
Post: Send the completed entry form to: "MELTING POT 2026" Cairns Potters Club Inc. P.O. Box 1470 Cairns QLD 4870. An administration fee of \$25 per entry for Cairns Potters Club members and \$30 per entry for non-members applies.
Entry fees are to be paid by electronic transfer to: Cairns Potters' Club BSB: 633-100 Account: 119552826
Please include your name and "MP" as the payment reference.
Each entrant may submit a maximum of two works. Works are restricted to a maximum weight of 25 kg per piece and must not exceed 1.5 m in any one direction. Works must be predominantly ceramic or glass.
3. Works for MELTING POT 2026 must be delivered to Cairns Art Gallery, 40 Abbott Street, Cairns QLD 4870, on Wednesday 7 October 2026 between 11 am and 4 pm. Potters who do not live in Cairns may send their works to: Lone White, 18 Duignan Street Whitfield QLD 4870 Works must arrive before 7 October 2026. Alternative arrangements may be made by contacting Lone White on 07 4053 7508 or Christina George on 07 4053 2240.
4. All works must be clearly marked with the entrant's name and address, together with the sale price or marked Not for Sale (N.F.S.). A series of works must have one price to cover the set. Individually priced works must be entered separately.
5. All works for sale are subject to 30% sales commission.
6. Entrants should note that all work, including moulds, must be the original unaided work of the entrant. Commercial moulds are not accepted and will not be judged.
7. The exhibition will be on display at Cairns Art Gallery from 10 October 2026 to 5 December 2026.
Works must be collected from Cairns Art Gallery on Monday 7 December 2026 between 11 am and 3.30 pm. Works not collected by this time or works for which clear written collection instructions have not been received, will be removed and stored at the entrant's expense. **A fee of \$5 per item per day will be charged. After three weeks, uncollected entries may be disposed of to defray costs without further reference to the entrant.**
8. **Should any dispute arise for which no specific rule is laid down, the matter will be determined by the Executive Committee, whose decision will be final.**
9. **All entries must be securely packed and delivered to the Committee free of all charges. Entrants are responsible for packing, freight and complete insurance cover while works are in transit. While on display at the Gallery, artworks will be covered by the Gallery's insurance scheme.** All reasonable care will be taken in handling submitted works, but no liability will be accepted for loss or damage while works are in the custody of the Committee or the Committee's agents. All works requiring suspension must have appropriate hanging fixtures and clear hanging instructions. Entrants should contact the Gallery prior to entry for specific display instructions if required.
10. Judging will be announced at the official opening, to be held at 6 pm on 10 October 2026.
11. Entries will be viewed by the judge but only works selected by the judge will be exhibited. The judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
12. Entrants agree that all exhibits may be reproduced by newspapers, television and other media without fee for exhibition and promotional purposes.

DIARY : 20 September 2026 Closing date Entry form
7 October 2026 Delivery of entries, (CAG) between 11.am and 4pm
• 10 October 2026 Official opening at 6 pm
• 5 December 2026 Exhibition closes
• 7 December 2026 Collection of entries from CAG between 11 am and 3.30pm

To

"MELTING POT 2026"

Cairns Potters Club Inc

PO Box 1470

Cairns. Qld. 4870

NAME(S) –Surname first in Capitals.....
(Please print)

ADDRESS.....

Postcode.....Phone

Email.....

Note: Some acquisitive awards may be less than the sale value of your artworks. Please indicate if you still wish to be considered for such a prize. YES/NO.

The work submitted is my own original work. I have read and agree to the published conditions of entry and enclose \$25.00 per entry for club members - \$30 per entry for non-members

**Please pay your entry fees by making an electronic transfer to the following bank account:
Cairns Potters' Club - Account # 119552826 BSB 633-100 include name and MP**

DECLARATION OF GST STATUS

- I am a non-business hobby artist and do not require a business number.
- My Australian Business Number is.....
- I have applied for an ABN and will advise on receipt.
- I am GST registered.
- If possible, please include a photo of your exhibits

SIGNED Date.....

Member of Cairns Potters Club Inc. - Yes/No

TITLE OF WORK - - YEAR - DIMENSIONS & WEIGHT - PRICE
High Wide Depth Kg

1.....

2.....

DUE TO SPACE RESTRICTIONS – ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE ALL EXHIBITORS HAVE AT LEAST ONE WORK DISPLAYED. THE FEE FOR POTS NOT EXHIBITED WILL BE REFUNDABLE. **PLEASE MARK WORK IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE.**

Sponsors



Ben & Judy Richards
Marion Ireland



ENTRY FORM

MELTING POT 2026



Cairns Potters Club Inc	Non-Acquisitive	\$ 2000
Reef Orthopaedic Clinic	Acquisitive	\$ 2000
Ray White Real Estate	Acquisitive	\$ 1500
Ben & Judy Richards	Non Acquisitive	\$ 1200
Marion Ireland	Acquisitive	\$ 1200
TAFE Queensland	Acquisitive	\$ 1000
Matt Smith – Federal Member for Leichhardt	Non-Acquisitive	\$ 500
Michael Healy – Member for Cairns	Non Acquisitive	\$ 500
The Australian Ceramics Association	Voucher	\$ 150
Walkers Ceramics	Voucher	\$ 100
Picasso's Ceramics	2 x \$50 gift vouchers	\$ 100



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