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## THE HESTER COETSEE LAW WEEK ART COMPETITION 2025

### ENTRY FORM and GUIDELINES

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

LAW WEEK runs from 16 to 22 May 2025.

It is a major community event held each year for the Western Australian community and the legal profession. This is a chance to find out more about the law and our legal system and provides a unique opportunity to take the law outside of offices and courtrooms into the public.

Law Week is an opportunity to help people see how the law affects them on a daily basis.

#### THE THEME

Regional Alliance West (“RAW”) is marking Law Week 2025 with an art competition with the theme “**Law and the Cars We Drive**”. When you think about the everyday activity of driving a vehicle, do you ever think that this has something to do with the law?

- **Licensing laws** are laws that decide who has a driver’s licence, which vehicles they can drive and how many passengers they can carry. The WA Government has recently introduced a law known as Tom’s Law that restricts red P-platers to only one passenger in most cases. What would this law mean for you or your family?
- **The Road rules** are laws that control things like speed limits, stopping, giving way, drink driving, and using your phone. If someone breaks these rules, they can lose their driver’s licence. In some cases, they can still apply for an extraordinary driver’s licence.
- **Buying and selling** vehicles is also affected by the law. If you buy from a dealer, you might have some warranty protection if things go wrong. But if you buy from a private seller, it is “buyer beware”, meaning you don’t have that same protection. The law also limits how many vehicles you can buy and sell in a year without a dealer licence.
- **Vehicle loans** you take out from banks or finance companies to buy a vehicle are controlled by laws as well. They set out how the lender should deal with you.
- **Vehicle Registration** laws lay out the obligations that come with owning a vehicle. There are laws about registering, insuring and keeping your vehicle roadworthy.
- **Traffic Accidents** are covered by the law as well. If you are in a car crash the law decides who is responsible for the crash, who has to pay to repair any vehicle damage, and whether anyone has to pay compensation money to a person who was injured.

How have some of these laws affected you? What does having a driver’s licence or not having a driver’s licence mean for you?



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**Evelyn Vandeleur – 8 years: Moving House**

These people are having to move house because their lease finished but the owners want more money. They don't have a place to go right now, so they will be living in their car. It will be very hard with a large family.

**2024 Entry**

**THE COMPETITION**

**THEME:** **LAW AND THE CARS WE DRIVE**

**REQUIREMENTS:** An original work of art reflecting upon the theme

**CLOSING DATE:** 4:00 pm on Thursday 8 May 2025

**AWARD CEREMONY:** 3:30 pm on Thursday 22 May 2025 at the Geraldton Multipurpose Centre, 250 Marine Terrace, Geraldton WA 6530

**CATEGORIES:**

Categories	Ages	Prize	Sponsored by:
Junior	Under 12 years old	\$750	
Senior	12 to 17 years old	\$1,000	
Open	18+	\$1,500	



### THE RULES

1. Entrants must submit an original work of art (e.g. drawing, painting, sculpture) reflecting upon the theme, which can be in any medium, format or size.
2. Entries must be submitted unsigned, without any marks identifying the artist and accompanied by a fully completed and signed Entry and Release Form. RAW staff will allocate a number to the entry form and match this to the reverse of the artwork so that judging can occur anonymously.
3. Entries must be submitted to either of RAW's Geraldton or Carnarvon offices by the closing date and time, which is 4:00 pm on Thursday 8 May 2025.
4. Entrants must ordinarily reside in the Midwest, Murchison or Gascoyne regions.
5. Entries will be judged on artistic appeal, originality and connection to the theme.
6. The decision of the judges is final.
7. Board members and staff of RAW and their immediate family members are ineligible to enter.
8. Entrants must agree that if they are a category winner, RAW will retain their original artwork and RAW has the right to use their artwork however they see fit.
9. If entrants would like their artwork returned to them at the conclusion of the competition, they must make these arrangements at their own expense.
10. All entrants are welcome to attend the Awards Ceremony but must register to attend by contacting RAW prior to 15 May 2025.



Theo van Blommestein – 5 years  
Camper Van House

LOTS OF PEOPLE CAN'T GET HOUSES AT THE MOMENT SO HE IS LIVING  
IN HIS CAMPER VAN.  
2024 Entry



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**ENTRY FORM**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

Junior Under 12 years old (as at 8 May 2025)

Senior 12 to 17 years (as at 8 May 2025)

Open 18+

I would like my artwork returned to me at the conclusion of the competition and understand that this will be at my own expense.

I would like to attend the Awards Ceremony on 22 May 2025.

**TITLE OF ART WORK AND DESCRIPTION OF HOW IT RELATES TO THE THEME**

**TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**DESCRIPTION:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**TALENT RELEASE and CONSENT FORM**

- I agree to take part in the Law Week Art Competition 2025.
- I understand and agree to the rules and conditions of the competition.
- If I am the winner of the category I have entered, I agree that Regional Alliance West may retain my original work of art and may use my artwork however they see fit including in brochures, advertisements, videos, photographs, media, websites, letterheads, and other promotional and marketing material and that I will not receive any fee for this use other than the prize money.
- I understand that RAW may take photographs or videos of my artwork and of me throughout the course of the competition and awards ceremony and **I authorise / do not authorise [strike out one]** the use of my video image and likeness and that of my artwork for the purposes of promoting RAW, Law Week and the Art Competition and that I will not receive any fee for this.

Signature of Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

If Entrant is under 18 –

Name of Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_



**2024 OPEN Winner**

**Alta Putter  
HOME-LESS**

Every Australian has the right to an adequate standard of living – including housing. Even if you are not in the financial position to either buy or rent a home on the open market, there is the Option of public housing. Currently the Government is failing to secure families access to this basic human right, therefore families end up homeless but even in this situation there are laws that apply. The Homelessness Bill 2013 (the Bill) is an outline of the Commonwealth’s recognition of persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Bill sets out the Commonwealth’s goal to reduce the number of people who are or are at risk of experiencing homelessness – but for now, these people have no other option than to live on the street.