



BE DISCOVERED







CALL FOR ENTRIES

Entries for the 2017 Sasol New Signatures Art Competition are now open!

Discovering the wealth of artistic talent that we have in South Africa is at the very heart of the Sasol New Signatures Art Competition. As the longest running art competition in the country, Sasol New Signatures has been a platform for discovering and promoting emerging local artists to the art-loving public.

Contemporary, innovative and emerging artists are invited to enter the 2017 competition. This annual competition is open to all South African artists who are 18 years and older who have not yet held a solo exhibition (a solo exhibition entails a body of work of at least 20 works exhibited in a commercial gallery). Artists who have held a solo exhibition for academic purposes, i.e. a Masters Degree exhibition, are allowed to enter. Artists are able to submit artworks in all artistic mediums including photography, performance art, video and installations.

Information sessions will be held at venues around the country from the end of April followed by Feedback Sessions at the various selection points after the regional judging.

Will you be the next winner of Sasol New Signatures? Enter now and be discovered.

Prizes

First prize: R100 000 and an opportunity of a solo exhibition at the Pretoria Art Museum (Terms and Conditions apply).

Runner-up: R25 000

Five Merit awards: R10 000 each

Conditions of entry

Entrants are to take careful note of the following conditions. Non-compliance will result in disqualification.

Who may enter?

- Emerging artists who are 18 years or older who have not yet held a *solo exhibition, except for academic purposes (*solo exhibition: a body of work of at least 20 works in a commercial gallery).
- Only artists who are permanent residents in South Africa may participate in the competition.
- 3. All entries must be accompanied by the following documentation:
 - A completed and signed entry form
 - A copy of the artist's Identity Document or Permit of Permanent Residence
 - Colour photograph of the work (for reference only)
 - Biography of no longer than 250 words
 - Conceptual statement/synopsis of no longer than 250 words that outlines the central idea of the work
 - Assembly, maintenance and disassembling instructions (if applicable)

Which works may be entered?

- 4. An artist may enter a maximum of two works.
- 5. All works should be the original artistic creation of the participating artist and their making may not constitute an infringement of copyright.
- 6. The artist must be the owner of the copyright in the works and be able to grant to the organisers the rights set out in clause 7 below.
- 7. The artist must grant to the organisers the non-exclusive right to make reproductions of the artworks in any manner or form, royalty free, for marketing, promotional, educational and academic purposes and for purposes of exhibiting the artworks.
- 8. Works may be produced and submitted as collaborative works by a maximum of two artists. It is the responsibility of the creators of the work to nominate one representative on the entry form. Both artists must supply a copy of their Identity Documents or Permit of Permanent Residence, and biographies.
- A single work with all its components may not exceed 250cm x 250cm x 250cm. Refer to clause 19 on the entry form for details regarding weight.
- Entries in any medium may be entered. The use of hazardous and flammable products is however, not allowed. Please refer to clause 11 below.
- In accordance with international museum regulations, works may not be dangerous or potentially dangerous, nor shall they be of a nature that may cause injury or damage to persons or property.
- 12. Works must be of such a nature that they can be easily packaged, transported and exhibited. The selection panel and/or organisers reserve the right to refuse works that are difficult to hang, install or handle.
- 13. Performance art may be entered.
 - 13.1 The artist must submit a completed entry form accompanied by a video recording of the performance and a detailed written proposal clearly outlining the concept of the performance.
 - 13.2 The proposal must include a floor plan with measurements, equipment used, duration, number of persons involved, illustrations, etc.

- 13.3 The proposal must be delivered, couriered or emailed to the Association of Arts Pretoria before **Friday**, 2 **June 2017**.
- 13.4 The artist will be required to do the performance for regional selection at a collection point. The date and time of the performance will be arranged with the artist by the organisers. If the entry is accepted for the Sasol New Signatures exhibition, the artist must enter into a contract with the organisers. Breach of contract by the artist before or during the exhibition, will result in the artist being barred from entering future Sasol New Signatures Art competitions.

Email: artspta@mweb.co.za

Physical address: Association of Arts Pretoria, 173 Mackie Street, Nieuw Muckleneuk, Pretoria.

14. Installations may be entered by way of a detailed photographic proposal. Proposals for installations must be accompanied by a completed entry form, a detailed floor plan with measurements, images (from all angles), illustrations, etc.

Preparation of works

- 15. Incomplete works will not be accepted.
- 16. The artist's name, address and telephone number, and the title, medium and proposed selling price of the work must be clearly written on the back of a two-dimensional work or on the base of a three-dimensional work. The top end of the work must be indicated by an arrow to avoid uncertainty and errors.
- Only the Pretoria Art Museum's official rod system may be used to hang works.
- All works for hanging must be properly framed or stretched on a sturdy stretcher frame.
 - 18.1 Works on paper must be properly mounted and framed.
 - 18.2 Paintings and works on paper must be supplied with two 10mm screw eyes and hanging wire. These must be attached to the vertical sides at about a quarter of the full length from the top of the work
 - 18.3 Original block mounted works will be accepted only if the screws and hanging wire are attached.
 - 18.4 Unframed works will not be accepted unless full instructions and all materials are supplied.
 - 18.5 If works are of such a nature that they do not require framing, full mounting instructions must be supplied.
 - 18.6 Tapestries, quilts, etc. must be supplied with a strong rod or slat sewn to the work.

Weight

- 19. 19.1 The weight of a work hanging on a wall may not exceed 30kg. Should such a work consist of several parts, the total weight is limited to 30kg.
 - 19.2 A work hanging from the roof may not weigh more than 10kg. Should such a work consist of several parts, the total weight is limited to 10kg per square metre.
 - 19.3 The weight of a work standing on the floor may not exceed 100kg. Should such a work consist of several parts, the total weight per piece is limited to 75kg.
 - 19.4 The weight of a work standing on a plinth supplied by the organisers may not exceed 30kg.
- 20. Works comprising of several parts must be accompanied by clear assembly instructions and a photograph of the installed work. Artists are advised to indicate the order of display of such works on the back of two-dimensional or onto the base of three-dimensional works. The artist must be available to assist should this be necessary.
- 21. The artist is responsible for maintaining his/her work during the exhibition, if required. Detailed instructions must be supplied.
- 22. Electronic devices must be in good working condition. Electronic devices that are not in working condition will be removed from the exhibition. Detailed instructions must be supplied. The organisers accept no responsibility for faulty equipment.
- 23. Delicate or fragile works must be clearly indicated as such and installed by the artist. Detailed instructions must be supplied in writing. The artist must also supply a crate for such work for transportation purposes.
- 24. Sculptures must stand firmly and be stable.
- 25. Videos/DVDs must be no longer than five minutes (300 seconds).
- 26. Should a Video/DVD form part of an installation, the artist is responsible for providing the required screening equipment, i.e. electrical plugs, extension cords, television monitors, Video/DVD players, computers, etc. Detailed instructions must be supplied.
- 27. Screening equipment for Videos/DVDs for preliminary selection at the collection point must be supplied by the artist. Artists must provide technical equipment (i.e. electrical plugs, extension cords, television monitors, Video/DVD players, computers, etc) if this is required for the works. Detailed instructions must be supplied.
- 28. The organisers will supply one DVD player and screen on which all selected videos or DVDs will be shown during the final exhibition in Pretoria. The material will be loaded onto one disc for sequential showing on a screen.

- 29. If images of anyone under 18 are submitted, the artist must obtain the written consent of that child's parent or quardian. Written consent must also be obtained from any individuals aged 18 or over who are identifiable in an image. It is the artist's responsibility to ensure that the necessary consent has been obtained. A model release is provided in the entry form for this purpose and must be submitted with the competition entry.
- 30. The works must be for sale and may be purchased on the opening night of the exhibition only after Sasol has exercised its option to purchase.
- Works must be no older than one year (completed after 29 June 2016) and may not have been entered into any other art competitions.
- 32. Selected works must be available for exhibition and transportation purposes until 31 October 2017.

The top seven works (winner, runner-up and five merits) must be available for exhibition and promotional purposes for at least 12 months immediately after the exhibition.

Collection Points

33. Entries must be submitted to one of the following collection points on Thursday, 29 June 2017 and Friday, 30 June 2017. No entries will be received before or after these dates, or outside the hours of 10h00 and 16hoo

Bloemfontein

Oliewenhuis Art Museum, 16 Harry Smith Street, Bloemfontein Tel: 051 447 9609

Cape Town

WHOW Studios, 2 Ixia Street, Durbanville, Cape Town Tel: 021 976 6784

KZNSA Gallery, 166 Bulwer Road, Glenwood, Durban Tel: 031 277 1705

East London

Ann Bryant Art Gallery, 9 St Mark Road, Southernwood, East London Tel: 043 722 4044

Iohannesburg

Sasol Place, 50 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg Tel: 010 344 5341

Port Elizabeth

Quad Gallery, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, School of Music, Art & Design, Faculty of Arts, North Campus, Summerstrand, University Way, Port Flizabeth Tel: 041 504 3256

Pretoria

Pretoria Art Museum, corner Francis Baard (previously Schoeman) and Wessels Streets, Arcadia Park, Pretoria Tel: 012 358 6750

34. The collection point does not phone an artist to inform him/her on the outcome of the selection. The artist must go to the collection point where the work was submitted to enquire whether the submission was selected or not. This must be done on the date specified for each collection venue - refer to clause 35.

Feedback Sessions: The National Chairperson will be at the collection point after the selection process to enter into discussions with the entrants as to why certain entered works were accepted and others rejected. Entrants are strongly advised to attend the feedback sessions.

35. Collection Points: Feedback Sessions and Collection Dates

Johannesburg - Monday 3 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00 Sasol Place, 50 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg

Pretoria - Tuesday 4 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00

Pretoria Art Museum, corner Francis Baard (Schoeman) and Wessels Streets, Arcadia Park, Pretoria

Bloemfontein - Wednesday 5 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00

Oliewenhuis Art Museum, 16 Harry Smith Street, Bloemfontein

Cape Town - Thursday 6 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00 WHOW Studios, 2 Ixia Street, Durbanville, Cape Town

Port Elizabeth - Monday 10 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00

Quad Gallery, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, School of Music, Art & Design, Faculty of Arts, North Campus, Summerstrand, University Way, Port Elizabeth

East London - Wednesday 12 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00

Ann Bryant Art Gallery, 9 St Mark Road, Southernwood, East London

Durban - Thursday 13 July 2017, 13h30 to 15h00

KZNSA Gallery, 166 Bulwer Road, Glenwood, Durban

Please note: Works not collected on the above dates will be disposed of if alternative arrangements have not been made with the organisers.

- 36. The organisers have agreed to transport the works selected in Bloemfontein, Cape Town, Durban, East London, Johannesburg and Port Elizabeth to the Pretoria Art Museum.
- 37. Final selection takes place on Monday 14 August 2017.
- 38. Artists based in Johannesburg and Pretoria must collect their works from the Pretoria Art Museum on Tuesday, 10 October 2017 between 10h00
- 39. Works from Bloemfontein, Cape Town, Durban, East London and Port Elizabeth can be collected from the collection point where it was submitted. The Association of Arts Pretoria will notify artists from these regions upon when the works can be collected from the collection point where it was submitted

Selected works - Documentation to be supplied by the artist

- 40. Artists whose works were selected must email the following documentation to the Association of Arts Pretoria (artspta@mweb.co.za) before Wednesday 19 July 2017:
 - Colour photograph of the work (for reference purposes only) JPG attachment
 - Biography Maximum 250 words Word attachment (not PDF please)
 - · Conceptual Statement/Synopsis Maximum 250 words Word attachment (not PDF please)
 - Assembly, maintenance and disassembly instructions (if applicable) Word or PDF attachment

Selected works will be photographed for the production of a printed catalogue

41. If an artist entered a digital photograph or print he/she will be responsible for supplying an image of the work in JPEG format. In the event of a video entry the artist will be responsible for supplying three stills in JPEG format. The digital file must be print quality (300 DPI) and proportioned in dimension and output to A4 size. The digital file size must be at least 1MB, and no larger than 8MB.

Photographs must be emailed to artspta@mweb.co.za, supplied on a memory stick/disc, or sent via Dropbox/We Transfer.

Risk

- 42. Although works will receive professional care and the usual and reasonable safety precautions will apply, the organisers take no responsibility for damage or loss to works that were not collected on the specified dates or for delicate and/or fragile works for which special crating was not supplied by the artist.
- 43. Maximum insurance cover of R3 000 applies.
- 44. Artists may arrange for insurance of their works themselves.

Selection and winning choices

The Sasol New Signatures Art Competition is judged in two rounds.

- 45. The first round is conducted at the respective regional collection points. The regional committees select a total of approximately 100 works for exhibition at the Pretoria Art Museum. The committees comprise the national chairperson of the competition, and three judges. Works that are not suitable are eliminated, including those that do not comply with entry requirements, show inadequate craftsmanship, or are not ready for exhibition.
- 46. The final round of judging takes place at the Pretoria Art Museum once the exhibition, which includes all the regionally selected works, has been curated. The final selection panel, comprising five judges, chooses the winners. Works are judged individually, based on the concept, use of material, quality of craftsmanship, and skill demonstrated.
- 47. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence with the organisers/ judges will be entered into.
- 48. It is in the sole and final discretion of the organisers/judges to cancel any entry on the grounds of illegality, infringement of any third party rights, or a transgression of the constitutional right of freedom of expression.

General

49. The exhibition takes place at the Pretoria Art Museum from Thursday, 31 August 2017 to Sunday, 8 October 2017.

ENTRY FORM



Surname	First names
NB: If the work was created by two artists (collaboration), please indicate conditions of entry)	the name of the nominated representative (refer to clause 8 of the
Tel (h)	(w)
Cell	E-mail
Postal address	
	Portal code
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Date of birth	
Qualifications	
Are you currently a student? YES NO	
Name of educational institution where you are studying	
Your academic year of study	
(A short biography of the artist of approximately 250 words must be attached to	this entry form)
Did you attend an Information Session? YES NO Where a	nd when?
Where did you hear about the competition?	
Details of 2nd artist (only applicable for collaborative entries)	
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Name of person who received works	
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Indemnity Sasol Limited and its affiliates, subsidiaries, agents, contractors, directors,	employees and representatives ("the parties") shall not in any way be responsible for
any injury, damage or loss to the artist or his/her work or other property ("t storing, use or handling of the artwork ("participation").	he work") resulting from participation in this competition, and the display, exhibition
The artist shall assume sole liability for injuries, including personal injuries a parties against any claim by a third party for any injury, damage or loss to tl	and/or damage to the work caused by participation. The artist hereby indemnifies the artist or the work resulting from participation.
The artist waives any claim against the Association of Arts Pretoria, the Pre to any loss and/or damage which may be caused by burglary, theft, fire, nat that he/she can arrange for insurance of works on his/her own behalf.	toria Art Museum, the City of Tshwane, Stuttaford Van Lines and Sasol Limited, due ural causes (vis major), late collection, and/or any damage. The artist understands
Copyright	
 The artist grants to the organisers the non-exclusive right to make repropromotional, educational, and academic purposes, and for purposes of example. 	ductions of the artworks in any manner or form, royalty free, for marketing, exhibiting the artworks.
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The artist agrees with and understands the competition rules and dec	clares that he/she is the artist of the works submitted.
Date	Signature
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hereby grant irrevocable consent and permission to use my visual image/t for entry to the Sasol New Signatures Art Competition as contemplated by	he visual image of my child or legal charge in the photograph/video to be submitted
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Colour photograph of the work (for reference purposes only)

Biography (+/-250 words)

INFORMATION SESSIONS

Since 2001, the Sasol New Signatures Art Competition has hosted information sessions for potential entrants, with the aim of giving them the opportunity to gain much needed technical information regarding format, size, media and layout of entered works as well as valuable advice regarding the presentation of competition standard work. The information sessions offer a platform for entrants to understand the genre in which the competition falls, in order to remain internationally recognised as cutting edge. Taking the form of an informal panel discussion regarding trends in contemporary visual communication, artists have the opportunity to pose questions regarding the conceptual process and execution of their proposed entries. This discussion will centre on the choice of mode, the challenges of concept and form meeting materiality, and the end product functioning as a vehicle for contemporary visual communication.

Bookings for all the information sessions must be made through Nandi Hilliard at the Association of Arts Pretoria:

Tel: 012 346 3100 | Cell: 083 288 5117 Email: artspta@mweb.co.za

Take note please: Limited seats are available so booking is essential.

Information sessions will be held on the following days:

Durban

Monday 24 April 2017 at 11h00 Room C21 Ground Floor (next to the faculty office), Department of Fine Art and Jewellery Design, Durban University of Technology (City Campus), Anton Lembede Street, Durban Tel: 031 373 6600 Please book with Nandi before 21 April 2017

East London

Tuesday 25 April 2017 at 11h00 Ann Bryant Art Gallery, 5 St. Marks Road, Southernwood, East London Tel: 043 722 4044 Please book with Nandi before 21 April 2017

Bloemfontein

Wednesday 26 April 2017 at 14h00 Oliewenhuis Art Museum, 16 Harry Smith Street, Bloemfontein Tel: 051 447 9609 Please book with Nandi before 21 April 2017

Durbanville

Tuesday 2 May 2017 at 18h30 WHOW Studios, 2 Ixia Street, Durbanville, Cape Town Tel: 021 976 6784 Please book with Nandi before 21 April 2017

Johannesburg

Thursday 4 May 2017 at 11h00 Artist proof studios, the Bus Factory, No 3 Helen Joseph Street (formerly President Street), Newtown Cultural Precinct, Johannesburg Tel: 010 344 5341 Please book with Nandi before 21 April 2017

Pretoria

Tuesday 10 May 2017 at 14h00 Association of Arts Pretoria, 173 Mackie Street, Nieuw Muckleneuk, Pretoria Tel: 012 346 3100 Please book with Nandi before 5 May 2017

ENQUIRIES

Nandi Hilliard Tel: 012 346 3100 Cell: 083 288 5117 artspta@mweb.co.za