

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **SHOWCASE YOUR SCULPTURAL MASTERPIECE AT THE EKKA**

Sculptors across the state and the nation have the opportunity to showcase their art to hundreds of thousands of people by entering the Royal Queensland Show's Creative Arts and Crafts competition.

For the first time in the Show's history, the Creative Arts and Craft Competition includes sculpture (Class 11).

The Royal National Association (RNA) is encouraging all sculptors – emerging and experienced – to enter the free style sculpture competition. Entries can be based on any subject and in any medium.

RNA Creative Art and Craft Committee Chair Susan Hennessey said the competition provides sculptors with a unique opportunity to touch many thousands of people with their art.

"Sculpture can be such a dynamic, innovative and thought-provoking medium – it can change perspectives, fuel new ideas or just make you smile.

"We look forward to working with sculptors in Queensland to ensure the success and growth of this competition," said Mrs Hennessey.

Competition entries close on Wednesday 15 June and all entries must be delivered to the RNA Showgrounds on Friday 22 July or Saturday 23 July between 9am – 3pm.

Sculpture entries must be free-standing, self-supporting and be able to be handled by one to two people. First prize is \$700, second prize is \$300, and third prize is \$100. Artists also have the opportunity to sell their sculpture during the Show.

Competition details including competition entry forms are available from the RNA or by visiting [www.ekka.com.au](http://www.ekka.com.au).

The Royal Queensland Show (EKKA), the state's largest and most popular annual event, is being held from 11-20 August 2005.

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