

# PAT HANLY

CREATIVITY AWARDS 2025

**Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki is excited to invite Year 12–13 kaiako (teachers) to sign up for the Pat Hanly Creativity Project and Awards.**

As one of Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland's longest-standing creative youth art awards, this project celebrates our senior secondary school artists as well as one of Aotearoa New Zealand's most prolific artists: Pat Hanly. If you are a secondary school art teacher who teaches Year 12 or Year 13 across Tāmaki Makaurau, you are invited to participate!

This project aims to support young artists by offering opportunities for them to explore and shape their own pathways in the creative sector.

Reserve your spot for you and your students now by completing the form [here](#).  
**Final deadline to sign up is Tuesday 25 February 2025.**

Please note teachers are required to sign up with their entire class or classes and participate in all three parts of the project listed below.

## **2025 PROJECT THEME: Ko wai au? Who am I?**

### **Part I: GALLERY VISIT | 28 April–23 May 2025**

The project kicks off with an inspiration day at the Gallery, with artist-led workshops and a tour through the exhibitions. You can choose a day between 28 April–23 May.

### **Part II: CREATE YOUR ARTWORK | 26 May–23 June**

At school students develop their own original artwork (medium of their choice) based on the 2025 project theme, *Ko wai au? Who am I?*.

Gallery staff will book in a date to visit your school to view students' finished artworks. Students will talk about their art and Gallery staff will give students feedback.

### **Part III: SELECTION & EXHIBITION IN THE GALLERY | 15–31 August 2025**

The judges will select at least one artwork per school to be exhibited in the Pat Hanly Creativity Exhibition and Awards at Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki. The selected artworks will be packaged by teachers and transported to the Gallery.

There will be a Young Gallery Night celebration and exhibition opening event on Friday 15 August, 6:00–9:00pm open to all participating students, teachers, family and friends. This event celebrates young creatives and will include food, music, dancing and art activations.

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Pat Hanly, *Fire and rainbow* (detail), 1985.  
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Dates	Agenda
25 Feb	Deadline to sign up your class(es) to participate.
28 April–23 May	Class visits to Auckland Art Gallery for a one-day kick-off programme, with artist-led workshop and exhibition tour.
24 May–23 June	Students develop and create artwork based on the project theme, inspired by art seen in the Gallery.
23 June–1 August	Feedback session with Gallery staff at each school.
4 August	Announcement of artworks selected for exhibition in the Pat Hanly Creativity Awards and Exhibition at Auckland Art Gallery.
6–7 August	Teachers package artworks and transport them to Auckland Art Gallery.
15 August 6:00–9:00 pm	Young Gallery Night celebration and exhibition opening event at Auckland Art Gallery (all participants invited).
15–31 August	Artworks on display at Auckland Art Gallery.
2–3 September	Teachers collect student artworks from Auckland Art Gallery.

Please note these dates are tentative. All project participants will be notified if dates change.

### FAQs

- To participate in the Pat Hanly Creativity Awards a school needs to sign up for the project with their whole class and join one of the kick-off days at the Gallery. You can sign up with as many Year 12/13 art classes as you want.
- Artworks selected for the exhibition will need to remain on display at Auckland Art Gallery for the entire duration of the exhibition.
- Teachers are required to photograph selected artworks before delivering them to Auckland Art Gallery.
- Teachers are responsible for packaging and transporting selected artworks to and from the exhibition.
- Students are encouraged to create art based on the given theme, but all artworks submitted will be considered.

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