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New Horizons for Youth at 2025 Art Show

Young people will be centre stage at Barnardos second art show on 20th March, 2025, at the National Art School's Cellblock Theatre in Darlinghurst.

After a successful inaugural year, artists from around Australia will donate artworks specifically created for the **Unbound Art Show**. This curated art show is an opportunity for the public to take home pieces from emerging and established artists, while supporting the fight against youth homelessness. This year's theme, Horizons of Hope, speaks to our ambitions for the next generation.

'**Horizons of Hope**' embodies Barnardos determination to shape a brighter future for children, young people and families who don't have a place to call home. It reflects the commitment of our partners and supporters to create a lasting impact that opens the door to a limitless potential for young Australians.

With a growing number of young people at risk of becoming homeless due to family violence and abuse, Barnardos is working towards a future where every young person safe and secure. In Australia today, close to half a million young people are living below the poverty line and many will find themselves in unsafe accommodation or couch surfing.¹ Through art and the dedication of our local community, we strive for a future where children reach adulthood with ambitions beyond simply finding a roof over their heads and food to eat.

This year we will have works from artists including Antoinette Ferwerda, Bobby Clark, Gemma O'Brien, George Hall, Ken Done, Kitiya Palaskas, Micke Lindbergh, Mike Staniford and many more.

Art enthusiasts can look forward to a carefully curated exhibition featuring never-before-seen pieces. With something to please diverse tastes and budgets, this event will captivate both seasoned collectors and casual art lovers alike. Barnardos is calling on all art lovers to be champions for the next generation of children and young people on 20th March.

Tickets available via **barnardos.org.au/unbound**

Tickets are \$75 and include drinks, canapes and a \$50 voucher to go towards an art purchase. Online bidding for art commences on the 6th of March and will close at 10pm on Thursday 20th March.

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About Barnardos Australia

Barnardos Australia is here because every child needs a champion. We listen, we act, and we advocate for the safety of children at risk of abuse and neglect, providing family support programs and services that empower children to reach their full potential. When it comes to protecting vulnerable children from abuse, we never give up. We are dedicated to the prevention of trauma in children, and support families to be the best parents they can be. We help children to recover and thrive, and we find safe homes for them through foster care and open adoption.
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¹ ACOSS Poverty in Australia 2023