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The ANZ Visual Arts Award 2007
and
The ANZ Visual Arts Award (People's Choice) 2007
ANZ staff Australia-wide cast their vote!

The prestigious ANZ Visual Arts Fellowship Award for VCA Art final year postgraduate students is offered by the Victorian College of the Arts and ANZ annually. Traditionally the award has been offered to one student. **The VCA and ANZ are delighted to announce from 2007 there will be two awards of \$5,000 each.**

The purpose of the awards is to enable artists who are undertaking postgraduate study at VCA Art to develop new work and enjoy a measure of financial support during the early years of their professional careers. Final year postgraduate students studying Graduate Certificate in Visual Art, Master of Visual Art, Master of Fine Art, and Doctor of Philosophy are eligible to apply for the awards.

Previous winners of the ANZ Visual Arts Award include Chris Barry, Stephen Haley, Viveka Marksjo and David Ralph.

The judges will examine all works submitted for the award and select the winner of the **ANZ Visual Arts Award 2007** and shortlist of up to 25 works for the ANZ intranet.

The new **ANZ Visual Arts Award (People's Choice) 2007**, designed to encourage the involvement of ANZ staff across Australia will be determined by staff voting for their preferred artwork. From 6 to 12 August 2007 images will appear on the ANZ intranet gallery when voting for the People's Choice award takes place. The artwork with most votes will be declared the winner.

The winners of both awards will be announced on Wednesday 15 August 2007.

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VCA Art is one of six disciplines at the Victorian College of the Arts. Since its inception in the 1860s the VCA Art's graduates have included many of Australia's most prominent and distinguished artists.

VCA Art occupies a spacious and well equipped studio with specialist facilities in the disciplines of painting, printmaking, drawing, ceramics, photography and sculpture. Students are taught by staff at the leading edge of contemporary practice using the atelier teaching method which provides students with their own workspace plus individual and group tuition. Studies in the history and theory of art provide a critical underpinning to practical studio studies.



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