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## **MEDIA RELEASE**



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### **Claire Beausein Wins Shire of Broome Shinju Matsuri Acquisitive Art Prize**

Claire Beausein has taken out the Shire of Broome Shinju Matsuri Art Prize for 2009 winning \$7000 and earning a place within the Shire's Shinju Matsuri Art Prize Collection.

The piece titled Endangered Species is Claire's take on the importance of protecting delicate eco systems and was named the overall winner from 57 artworks submitted for the annual exhibition.

The Shire of Broome Shinju Matsuri Acquisitive Art Prize is awarded annually to encourage the development of Kimberley art and artists and to add to the Shire's art collection.

**The 2009 exhibition is being held in the Shire of Broome Function Room from 8 – 12 September, Tuesday to Friday 9am to 4pm and on Saturday from 9am to 1pm.**

Broome Shire President Graeme Campbell said the Shire had built its art collection from the Shire of Broome Shinju Matsuri Acquisitive Art Prize Awards over the past 33 years.

"The range of mediums used over the past three decades has been diverse as the artists themselves. The collection contains sculptures, paintings and drawings is rotated throughout the public areas of Shire buildings," said Cr Campbell

"The 2009 exhibition showcases the extraordinary artistic talent we have in the Kimberley and with the People's Choice Award to be announced at the Shinju Matsuri Closing Ceremony, I urge everyone to come along to the exhibition and vote for their favourite artwork," he said.

"Congratulations to Claire, her artwork will be on display in the Shire reception area following the exhibition," said Cr Campbell.

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