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Expression of Interest First Nations Artwork for the Sunshine Coast Council Reconciliation Action Plan

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Sunshine Coast Council is seeking Expressions of Interest from local Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander designers and artists to create original work for our next Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027.

The opportunity

Sunshine Coast Council is committed to partnering with our First Nations community to advance a shared future of reconciliation. The central strategy that guides our approach is our [Reconciliation Action Plan \(RAP\)](#). Our next Stretch RAP 2024-2027 is currently being developed.

We are seeking two local Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander designers and artists with strong connections to Sunshine Coast to create artworks which will be used for our RAP design. Your artwork will feature in the design of our RAP documents, website, merchandise and in other printed and online content.

Our vision

Through our RAP design we want to demonstrate our commitment to meaningful partnership with the First Nations community built on trust and respect. We want to recognise and respect the Traditional Custodians, the Kabi Kabi and Jinibara people, and the Country that makes up the Sunshine Coast.

Your artwork should provide a visual representation that reflects our commitment to reconciliation, the First Nations community, culture and Country of the Sunshine Coast.

Key themes that you could potentially included in the artwork are:

- Kabi Kabi or Jinibara Country
- Culture and songlines
- Reconciliation
- Working together
- Healing
- Community
- Truth-telling

Requirements

The key requirements for your artwork include:

- The final artwork can be a physical two-dimensional piece or high-resolution digital image.
- All designs and concepts must be the authentic and original work of the artist submitting the design.
- The artwork must be suitable for digitisation and digital editing for use in RAP branding.
- **Sunshine Coast Council will negotiate appropriate exclusive licencing agreements for the works.**

Your eligibility

You are eligible to apply if you are

- Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander
- An artist or a designer
- Live on the Sunshine Coast, are Kabi Kabi or Jinibara, or otherwise have a strong connection to the Sunshine Coast

We are open to receive EOIs from all ages and levels of experience.

Our budget

We are seeking to purchase two designs or artworks. The total available budget is up to \$8,000.

How to apply

Applications must include:

- **A design concept.** One to three A4 designs accompanied by a written statement/ story linking to the themes.
- **An artist biography.** Describe your connection to the Sunshine Coast. This includes whether you are Kabi Kabi or Jinibara; or from another Country but have strong connections to the Sunshine Coast.
- **Your details.** Including contact information, an ABN or business details.

Submit your EOI by email to firstnations@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au by **14 June 2024**.

Timeline

EOI Close	14 June 2024
Successful artists selected	21 June 2024
Briefing	28 June 2024
Artwork complete	31 July 2024