



26TH APRIL 2024

Finalists for the 2024 Paper on Skin™ wearable paper art awards have been announced.

Thirty-five works of exceptional quality will be presented at the gala parade and award evening in Devonport, Tasmania, on 21 September 2024.

“Paper on Skin™ evolves every year,” says Coordinator, Lyndal Thorne. “2024 is no exception. We have had a 60% increase in entries. The creative and innovative use of paper continues to amaze and impress us. The selected finalists have demonstrated a mastery of technique and a visionary approach to the challenge.

“The medium of paper means everything to these artists. The audience will be amazed at the diverse ways paper will be utilised to create wonderful, one-off garments.”

Paper on Skin™ is a biennial event that began in Burnie in 2012, drawing on the region’s industrial papermaking history.

Heading into its 7th iteration, Paper on Skin™ is now firmly established as an international event. This year, the competition will feature forty artists from eleven countries.

Included on the list is the 2022 Major Award winner Kaori Kato from Japan. Other recognisable global paper art community names are German artist Fides Linien, (President of the International Association of Hand Papermakers and Paper Artists); and Anne Lines (UK), known for her exquisitely detailed plaiting technique.

Over 50% of the 2024 finalists are new, ensuring a freshness and originality to this year’s collection.

An increased prize pool this year sees the finalists vying for AUD\$14 000 in prizes across ten awards (three new).

Works will be exhibited at the Devonport Regional Gallery from the 27 September to the 16 November.

The gala will be held on 21 September at the Town Hall Theatre at the paranaple arts centre.

Universe of Paper, also presented by Paper on Skin™, is a community project that sees a huge paper ‘forest’ created in the Market Square Pavilion. This will be the setting for the pre-show soirée of the gala event.

Tickets for both the soiree and gala will go on sale in May.

Find the list of finalists [HERE](#)

Paper on Skin™ Major Partner: Devonport City Council. Also supported by the Tasmanian Government and North West Support Services. *Universe of Paper* is a Regional Arts Fund project.

Contact: Lyndal Thorne Coordinator, Paper on Skin™, 0438 313 045, lyndalthorne@live.com.au