

Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation Art Program

VISION AND PURPOSE

The motto of the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation's Art Program is "Art celebrating life".

The Art Program channels the diversity and potency of the visual arts – in all its forms – to improve the lives of the Hospital's brave young patients, to inspire and engage their families and carers, and to develop the Sydney's Children's Hospital Artspace into a dynamic cultural hub for the Hospital and the wider community.

The mission of the Art Program is manifold; to make the Hospital a vibrant, reassuring and colourful place of healing and culture, where children feel safe and happy, to develop a unique and significant collection which serves the Hospital community and beyond, and also to provide a forum where leading artists and art institutions can engage with new audiences to produce exciting collaborations that complement the Hospital's key health care responsibilities and benefit the wider community.

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

The Art Program is delivered in four ways:

- Managing and expanding a *permanent collection* which is displayed in the Hospital's Artspace, wards and clinics, through donations and philanthropy
- Working with key partners (e.g. UNSW, College of Fine Arts, National Art School and Sculpture by the Sea) to oversee a *rotating exhibition schedule*
- Integrating the visual arts into the Hospital's rehabilitative and therapeutic services in collaboration with the *Play Therapy department and the SCH School*
- Develop the Hospital's art space as a forum for *public programs and events* to benefit the Hospital and the wider community

