

Question on Notice
No. 189
Asked on 27 April 2004

Mr Fenlon asked the Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts (Ms Bligh) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the recent exhibition of works of finalists from the Education Minister's Secondary School Arts Awards at the Queensland Art Gallery—

- (1) What is the standard of these works?
- (2) Were any finalists from the Greenslopes Electorate?

ANSWER:

- (1) The Education Minister's Awards for Excellence in Arts exhibition, currently on show at the Queensland Art Gallery, comprise the artworks of the 47 recipients of the 2003 Education Minister's Awards for Excellence in Arts.

Selected from 14 district exhibitions, the display is an example of the outstanding standard of work being achieved by senior visual arts students across state and non-state schools and reflects a rigorous and challenging curriculum.

Students whose work is selected for the Education Minister's Awards for Excellence in Art central and touring exhibitions, are able to demonstrate:

- an ability to visually interpret, express and communicate ideas from an independent viewpoint.
 - an ability to identify, analyse and evaluate visual problems
 - inventiveness
 - evidence of highly developed concepts of visual arts
 - an ability to make judgments with discernment in the selection and application of highly appropriate media and techniques.
- (2) Nick Azar from Coorparoo Secondary College, in the Greenslopes electorate, was one of the 47 recipients of the 2003 Education Minister's Awards for Excellence in Art. Nick's artwork was a photographic piece titled *heretic*.