

# MEDIA RELEASE

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## Students show artistic flair in new exhibition exploring home

Northern Tasmanian students have explored what home really means to them in a new exhibition at the Queen Victoria Art Gallery at Royal Park.

The biannual *ArtStart* exhibition program supports teaching of art and design to children of primary school age in schools and home education programs across Tasmania.

The current theme *No place like home* asked students to create works using mediums such as drawing, painting, photography and mixed media.

12 primary schools from around the region participated.

QVMAG Art Education Officer Kate Collins says that audiences will see works inspired by notions of becoming and belonging. The beautiful drawings and paintings describe places where children feel safe, supported, protected and loved.

"Stories from children's literature such as Jeannie Baker's *Home* and Alison Lester's *The Journey Home* have inspired the children's art making. Representational images of children's own homes and gardens are popular themes for this exhibition," says Kate.

"To bring young children into the Art Gallery at an early stage can often set up a life-long involvement and love of art and potentially a future career within the humanities," says QVMAG Director Richard Mulvaney.

The works are on show at the Art Gallery until November 10, 2017.

You're invited to preview the works and chat to Kate Collins and Richard Mulvaney today at 11am at the [Art Gallery at Royal Park](#).