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**Artists with disability shine through annual exhibition**

**Activ Artspace, an exhibition featuring original artwork created by people living with disability, will be held at the Subiaco Arts Centre this year.**

Launched in 2014, Activ Artspace is a free, public exhibition displaying a range of artwork including, photographs, paintings and drawings completed across a range of different mediums.

This is the first year the event is being held outside of Activ's head office in Wembley.

The 2019 Activ Artspace exhibition will feature an auction piece by talented Western Australian amateur artist Sandra Van Tilborg. Sandra has been an Activ customer for more than 20 years and discovered her artistic ability while attending art classes at Activ Community Services - Beaconsfield.

Dabbling in many forms of art, Sandra loves to express herself with colour, which is reflected in her drawings and acrylic artwork. Having featured her artwork in previous Artspace exhibitions, Sandra's pieces have proved popular and sold quickly. All money raised from the sale of the piece will go towards future Activ Artspace exhibitions, encouraging budding artists to let their creativity and inspiration shine.

Activ CEO Danielle Newport said the organisation was proud to be able to show the artworks to the wider community through this annual event.

"Art is a passion for many of our customers and Activ Artspace allows our customers to share their passion with the wider community," she said.

"Here at Activ, we believe in the abilities of the people that we support. We are proud to provide the opportunity for self-expression through this annual exhibition and we are proud to encourage creativity and watch our artists flourish."

Activ Artspace will be open to the public from Tuesday, 4 June until Thursday, 6 June 2019. The majority of pieces on show are available to purchase, with the proceeds from every piece sold going directly back to the artists who created it.

To find out more about Activ Artspace, visit [www.activ.asn.au/activartspace2019](http://www.activ.asn.au/activartspace2019).

**Event details:**

Date: Tuesday 4 June – Thursday 6 June

Time: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: Subiaco Arts Centre – 180 Hamersley Road, Subiaco WA 6008

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**About Activ**

Activ is the largest disability support provider in Western Australia. We provide individualised services for people living with disability and their families. Services we offer include accommodation, employment, training and education, respite, and community. Activ was founded in 1951 by a group of families who wanted more for their children who lived with disability and had become marginalised by society. Today, we support over 2,000 individuals and their families across WA.

For more information visit [www.activ.asn.au](http://www.activ.asn.au)

**Important Information**

**When referring to people with disability, we ask that you use the term 'living with disability', rather than 'disabled person' or 'the disabled'. The term 'Supported Employee' is used when referring to an Activ employee living with a disability. The term 'customer' is used to refer to a person living with disability that Activ supports.**