



## Commissioner for Children and Young People WA Photography Competition

### Overview

The Commissioner for Children and Young People WA ('the Commissioner') is hosting Snapshot WA — a photography competition for children and young people across Western Australia. The competition provides a safe, supported way for young people to share their perspectives and experiences through photography.

The competition launches during Youth Week WA (10–16 April 2026). Entries are accepted via two streams: disposable cameras distributed through partner sites, and digital photo submissions via the online entry form (Jotform). The gallery launch, physical display, and winner announcement will take place by 30 June 2026.

We welcome and encourage people of all abilities to participate in this competition. Please contact the Commissioner's office on 6213 2297 or [info@ccyp.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@ccyp.wa.gov.au) to discuss accommodating the diverse needs of competition entrants.

### Prizes

The following prizes will be awarded:

1. 1st Place — \$100 voucher
2. 2nd Place — \$75 voucher
3. 3rd Place — \$50 voucher
4. People's Choice — \$25 voucher

### Competition Theme

Snapshot WA has multiple themes to choose from. You can pick whichever theme feels most meaningful to you — there is no right or wrong choice. Each theme has some prompts and questions below to help you think about what you'd like to photograph.

#### **My Day / My Life**

Take photos of your day — where you go, what you do, what you notice.

- What does a typical morning, afternoon or evening look like for you?
- What places do you pass through or spend time in each day?
- Is there a moment in your day you wish other people could see?
- What do you do that feels uniquely 'you'?

#### **What Matters to Me**

What is important in your world?

- What would you miss if it were gone from your life?

- Is there a person, place, or thing that gives you strength or comfort?
- What do you care about that you wish adults understood better?
- What are you proud of, or what feels worth protecting?

## **My World**

Things, places and people that make your world your world.

- If you had to show someone 'your world' in one photo, what would it be?
- Who or what is always part of your everyday life?
- What does your neighbourhood, community or country look like?
- Is there something in your world that others might not notice or appreciate?

## **Home**

What home means to you — pets, routines, favourite corners, people, places.

- What is your favourite spot at home, or in the place where you feel most at home?
- What sounds, smells or sights remind you of home?
- Does 'home' mean a building, a person, a feeling, or something else?
- Is there a routine or ritual that makes somewhere feel like home?

## **Things That Make Me Happy**

Joy-based, easy for little ones, very safe.

- What made you smile or laugh recently — can you photograph something like that?
- What activity, hobby or place gives you the most joy?
- Who or what makes you feel good just by being around them?
- Is there a small everyday thing that secretly makes your day better?

## **Places I Belong**

Where you feel welcome and safe — school, sport, country, family, community.

- Where do you feel most like yourself?
- Is there a community, group or place where you feel genuinely welcome?
- What does it look like when people make room for you?

→ Is there a place on Country, in your neighbourhood, or in your home that feels like it's yours?

### Photo Eligibility

5. Digital stream: photographs must have been taken within the last 12 months.
6. Photographs which include other people must have consent from the person/s photographed, noted by the entrant at time of entry submission.
7. Photographs and content deemed to be offensive, defamatory or discriminatory by the judging panel will not be eligible for judging and will be removed from the competition.
8. Photographs must not include digital filters or content generated using artificial intelligence.
9. Photographs submitted digitally must be high-resolution digital images of a minimum of 300 ppi.
10. Digital photograph files must be submitted in JPEG or PNG format and must not exceed 5MB.
11. Only minimal adjustments are permitted (crop and exposure correction only).

### Consent and Privacy

12. Entry is open to young people aged 8 to 17 years during the competition duration who reside in Western Australia.
13. Entry to the competition is free.
14. Where a photograph includes other people, the entrant must confirm: (a) they have consent from the person/s photographed to submit the image; and (b) if any person in the photograph is under 16, they have consent from that person's parent or guardian. This confirmation is required at the time of entry submission.
15. Collection of personal information will be limited to what is necessary for consent, basic demographics (optional), and safe administration of the competition.
16. Photographs submitted may be used and published by the Commissioner for Children and Young People at their discretion in formats including but not limited to reports, website, social media, and promotional materials. If an entrant's photograph is used, the entrant will be credited where possible in the format 'First name, Surname initial, Age'.
17. All submissions will be reviewed and moderated before any public use. No open or unmoderated public uploads will be accepted.
18. CCYP will securely store and manage images and consent records in accordance with applicable privacy obligations.

### Judging and Winners

19. Entries will be judged by a judging panel. Panellists will declare if any entrants are known to them prior to the start of judging.

20. The People's Choice prize will be voted on by members of the public through the Commissioner's website.
21. Winners will be decided by the panel, with their decisions being final.
22. Prize winners will be notified directly prior to public announcement. Winners will be announced publicly through the Commissioner's website, web gallery, and social media platforms by 30 June 2026.