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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **HARVEY WATER TO COMMISSION COMMUNITY ART PROJECT**

Harvey Water is inviting local, emerging artists to lodge expressions of interest to create an artwork which will take pride of place at the entrance to the company's new premises.

The artwork would be in the form of an outdoor sculpture and artists are encouraged to incorporate the iconic Dethridge Wheel, which is synonymous with the origins of the Harvey Irrigation District.

The Dethridge Wheel is turned by water flow and is used to measure the volume of water delivered to farms for irrigation and provide a basis to calculate water charges.

The commission is open to artists in Bunbury Geographe and the irrigation district which includes the Shires of Harvey, Waroona, Dardanup, Collie, Capel, Donnybrook-Balingup and Bunbury.

"We are seeking an inspired, landmark design that really encapsulates the Harvey Water irrigation district and the important history of the land which our founding fathers settled," said General Manager Bradd Hamersley.

"Three shortlisted artists will be invited to explore Harvey Water's depot which houses a number of historic Dethridge wheels and other fascinating machinery parts which can be incorporated into the art work.

"We are excited to be working with local artists on this project and displaying the sculpture at our new building when it is completed in July."

The shortlisted artists will receive \$500 each for design development and the successful artist will receive an \$8000 commission fee.

Expressions of Interest forms and terms and conditions can be found at [www.harveywater.com.au](http://www.harveywater.com.au). Applications close on 15 February 2019.

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