



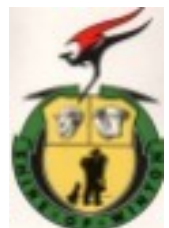
ENTRY PACK

2A

Jewellery Design Emerging Jeweller - Handmade

INCLUDES:-

- Terms and conditions of entry
- Entry forms
- Authority to Collect
- Checklist





Terms and Conditions of Entry

Please read all terms and conditions

Category 2A - Emerging Jeweller - Handmade

**Any piece of jewellery with a cost value
up to \$5,000.00 per entry.**

2A - Handmade – This category is for jewellers currently working as an apprentice or studying in a professional jewellery course who are not yet working as a professional in the industry.

All work should be handmade, with the use of necessary and appropriate tools. All materials used in the creation of the piece should as far as possible be Australian precious metals, however this does not exclude the use of new and innovative materials.

- Submitted entries must be original designs. They must not have been put on display or commercialised before.
- There is no limit to the number of submissions but each entry is subject to an entry fee.
- **QBOA members are allocated one free entry.**
- Boulder Opal must be the focal point of the piece. Other gemstones (synthetic gemstones, cultured pearls, Australian timber and shell etc.) may be used to enhance the design, but must not detract from the main criteria.
- All entries must be insured during transportation to and from Winton. Such insurance is the responsibility of the entrant. Your failure to secure insurance in no way shifts responsibility to QBOA.
- While the QBOA will take every precaution to ensure the security of the exhibits, including insurance against theft, loss or damage, QBOA will accept NO liability nor give any specific guarantee against theft, loss or damage of the entry.
- QBOA accepts all entries in good faith, on the basis that they are original works, which comply with the conditions of entry. QBOA accepts no responsibility for any piece that is subsequently found not to be original. The QBOA also reserves the right to remove any entry from competition without explanation, and/or rescind any award.
- QBOA reserves the right to photograph the entries for use in all QBOA marketing and publicity activities.
- The 2025 Queen of Gems exhibition of objects will be hosted by the Outback Regional Gallery at the Waltzing Matilda Centre. The Outback Regional Gallery will take every precaution to ensure the security of the exhibits, including insurance against theft, loss or damage while on display between 2 July 2025 and 12 July 2025.



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Terms and Conditions (cont'd)

- Entries must be delivered (postmarked) to QBOA free of all freight or other charges no later than **Friday 20th June 2025**.
- Nomination and payment of entries close **Friday 20th June 2025**. Entry Fee for Category 2A is \$50 per item. Please fill out paperwork entry pack and attach the typed description of piece and photograph of piece and email to qboa@bigpond.com prior to posting the item. Then post the piece with the hard copy entry pack, photograph of the piece and description of piece in the mail.
- Return of entries must be paid for by the entrant by providing a self addressed Express Satchel (or similar).
- CANCELLATIONS will not be entitled to a refund.
- QBOA reserves the right to refuse any entry that is late or does not conform to the specific Rules and Conditions of Entry.

JUDGING:

- Entries will be judged by alphanumeric identification only. Participants are to remove all identifying marks, company/trading names, as well as any reference to the designer/manufacturer of the entry from boxes/jewellery containers. **The use of trademarks or manufacturers stamps is not permitted.**
- A short technical description of the piece and the source of inspiration are to accompany each piece.
- The judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- At the discretion of the judging panel additional prizes such as High Commendation, Commendation or Certificate of Merit may be awarded.

JUDGING CRITERIA AND SCORE:

Originality - 50 points

Craftsmanship - 30 points

Wearability - 10 points

Creative use of opals - 10 points



ENTRY FORM

Please use a separate entry form for each entry (this page only)

Please complete **ALL** fields in the entry form

Entrant Name:			
Address:			
Town/Suburb	State	Country	Postcode
Phone (country code/area code)	Mobile	Email	
Company Name			
<p>Please include ALL names of persons involved in the making of this piece:</p> <p>Designer of piece: _____</p> <p>Manufacturer of piece: _____</p> <p>Stone setter: _____</p> <p>Name of stone (if applicable): _____</p> <p>Location of area of where opal was mined (if known): _____</p>			
Name of Piece: _____		Category: _____	
<p>General description of piece (Materials used) - PLEASE ATTACH</p> <p>Describe your inspiration, concept, influence, etc. in making this piece - PLEASE ATTACH</p> <p>Cost value of entry (inc. GST) This is required for Insurance purposes \$ _____</p> <p>(NB: Cost is actual cost of materials, NOT Retail price)</p>			
Valuation Certificate enclosed (for insurance purposes) please tick ✓		YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
THE ENTRANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INSURANCE OF THE ENTRY TRAVELLING TO AND FROM WINTON			
<p>Is this item for sale? Please circle YES NO</p> <p>If YES, please state sale price in \$AUD</p> <p>.....(Commission of 15% incurred)</p>			
<p>Return Instructions (please tick ✓ to indicate your entry return)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I will collect my entry in person on Saturday 12 July 2025 at 7:30pm after event awards presentation. Photo ID required on collection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I nominate _____ to collect my entry in person on Saturday 12 July 2025 at 7:30pm after event awards presentation. Photo ID required on collection. I have enclosed an "Authority to Collect" form</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have included a receiver signed Express Post Satchel for the return of my entry on Monday 14 July</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Continued next page...</p>			



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Entry Form

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Categories	Number of Entries	Entry Fee
<p>Category 2A: Emerging Jeweller</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> A – Handmade <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> (entry fees \$ 50.00/item) 		
Total		
<p>IMPORTANT:</p> <p><i>I have read and hereby agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions of the "Queen of Gems Jewellery and Design Awards" as stated:</i></p>		
Signature	Date	
<p>Mail to: QUEENSLAND BOULDER OPAL ASSOCIATION INC. PO BOX 334, WINTON QLD 4735</p>		

Please circle payment method:

- Electronic Funds Transfer
- Cheque
- Money order
- Cash
- Free Entry

QBOA Bank Details:- BSB 084 990 ACCOUNT NO. 61 510 9766



Authority to Collect Jewellery on Behalf of Entrant

*QBOA will return pieces according to Entrant instructions, as per the TERMS and CONDITIONS – Collection of Entry. **If you require collection in person by another party, please complete the form below.***

To Whom It May Concern:

I, _____, of _____
(entrant's full name) (entrant's address)

hereby nominate the following person to collect my entry for the QBOA "Queen of Gems Jewellery Design Awards" from the Waltzing Matilda Centre Art Gallery on Saturday 12 July 2025 at 7:30pm after Awards Night presentation.

Collector's full name: _____

Collector's address line: _____
(NO PO Box)

Collector's contact telephone number: _____

Sincerely,

Signature of entrant

____ / ____ / ____
Date

Signature of collector (upon collecting item)

____ / ____ / ____
Date

Photo Identification must be shown by the nominated person above before collection.

Office Use Only:

ID recorded QBOA signature



Checklist

- I have filled in all items on the entry form
- I have emailed the entry form with typed description and photograph prior to posting item and the hard copy entry pack in the post
- I have attached a photo of my jewellery piece to my entry form
- I have attached the **typed** Description and Influence/Concept to my entry form
- I have paid via electronic funds transfer to the QBOA
- I have enclosed my cheque / money order (Made payable to Queensland Boulder Opal Association Inc.)
*Please note: QBOA members are allocated **one** free entry*
- I have enclosed a return Express Post Satchel requiring signature**
- I have read the Terms and Conditions, and signed the declaration at the bottom of the Entry Form document