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**Dear Secondary School Visual Arts Teacher,**

**Subject: RE: FIRST CLASS 14**

Initiated in 2009, the *First Class* exhibition project at Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery [LMCAG] was developed to showcase Hunter Region and Central Coast **HSC Visual Art submissions** and programmed to coincide where possible with local presentation of the touring *ArtExpress* exhibition.

After six successful years, LMCAG is pleased to invited your nominations for the next exhibition in the project, *First Class 14*.

Please nominate for consideration and possible selection, work/s meeting the following criteria:

- strictly follows the BoS marking criteria guidelines for materials, dimensions (scale) etc
- achieved Band 5 or Band 6 in school-based assessment
- shows evidence of accomplished technical skill
- is successful and engaging with high degree of resolution
- explores personal values and beliefs through social and cultural inquiry

**Please note:** Works nominated for *ArtExpress* preselection ARE eligible for the project *First Class 14*. HOWEVER if the work is accepted for the *ArtExpress* exhibition tour, the gallery must be notified IMMEDIATELY.

We would appreciate you assisting the **Year 12 nominees** to complete all the fields of the attached Nomination Permission Form and to send those forms by post or email to LMCAG by **Friday 7 November 2014**.

Works for the *First Class 14* exhibition will be **selected December 2014** by the curators. **Notification will be made by email** as soon as selections are finalised. *First Class 14* will be staged **11 February – 1 April 2015** and works need to be delivered to the gallery by **7 January 2015**. While at the gallery, the students' works will be insured and handled at all times by gallery professionals.

We trust that you respond to the project with the same enthusiasm as we bring to it. Should you require further information, please contact me on (02) 4965 8260.

Yours sincerely

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