

Transforming stobie poles from drab to fab!

City of Prospect has a long history of community art. Prospect's nationally recognised stobie pole art, which started in the 1980s, was the beginning of a movement that has spread all over Adelaide and remains alive and well in 2021!

Our latest addition is by local artist Joanna Poulson, who is known for her skilfully crafted and labour-intensive tonal realist oil paintings on canvas. Seeking to brighten up her street whilst also make her oil paintings accessible to anyone who may pass by, Joanna used local printers to transfer a digital image of one of her bright botanical paintings to a vinyl decal which was then adhered to the pole.

Her stobie pole on Charles Street is a beautiful addition to our public art and we are grateful for her vibrant contribution to our community. It seems we are not the only ones as Joanna has already been approached by other residents to turn their stobie poles from drab to fab!

If you are an artist or a resident who wants to transform a stobie pole into a work of art, check out the Newmarch Gallery website (Public Art page) for details. Our Gallery and Public Art Coordinator can guide you through the approval process and City of Prospect also offers small grants to support such Public Art initiatives that can help turn your idea into a reality!

