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Amely Koenig *Destruction of Nature*, 2019, Digital artwork, A3

HAZELHURST YOUNG AMBASSADORS OPEN THEIR OWN ART EXHIBITION AT HAZELHURST ART CENTRE

A group of 13 university graduates, students and creatives will showcase 30 works in a new exhibition called **ALTERED** at Hazelhurst Arts Centre on April 20. Some of the works in the exhibition examine femininity, masculinity, bisexuality, mental health, how people survive harsh conditions and the conflict between nature and the built environment, all issues which young people are concerned about.

ALTERED is an art exhibition by Hazelhurst Ambassadors, a volunteer program providing young artists from 18–30 years with the opportunity to share their skills and knowledge with the local community and gain experiences in the running of art events.

Rachel Macpherson, 20, a Hazelhurst Ambassador whose work *Let's Talk About Mental Health* is part of the exhibition, said *Hazelhurst is a supportive community and allows young artists to exhibit their work in a prestigious regional gallery. I hope people will come along, meet the emerging artists and learn about the Ambassador program.*



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ALTERED is about the issues that matter to young people today because sometimes a small alteration can make all the difference. The exhibition explores “How do you cope with change?”, “How does being young affect your approach and reaction to transformation and alteration?”, and “How can you both influence and endure change?” said Rachel Macpherson.

ALTERED is about exploring the impacts of life altering events, or looking at the familiar with a new perspective. The exhibition includes a dynamic collection of paintings, drawings, video, photography and sculpture.

Details:

ALTERED

20-30 April, 2019

Hazelhurst Arts Centre

782 Kingsway, Gymea.

Open daily 10am – 5pm

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