



INDIGENOUS JERSEY DESIGN COMPETITION 2026

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Invitation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Artists: Contribute to the 2026 Dragons Indigenous Round

The St George Illawarra Dragons are excited to invite Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists to play a central role in the 2026 Indigenous Round celebrations. We are seeking artwork submissions to be featured on our 2026 Dragons Indigenous Jersey and associated supporter merchandise.

We believe that through the power of visual arts and traditional cultural practices, we can continue to educate our fans and supporter base about Indigenous heritage and values. This is a unique opportunity to share and celebrate your culture with a wider audience.

Design Brief:

For the 2026 Indigenous Round, we would like the jersey design to highlight and explore the following theme.

An original artwork that brings to life the powerful theme of **courage**. Artists are encouraged to interpret courage through personal experience, local traditional dreaming stories, or moments of bravery shown by ancestors, Elders, or community leaders.

The story of courage can also be reflected in the legacy of the St George Illawarra Dragons – from the fearless Indigenous players past and present, to the unwavering passion of our supporters and the deep community connections that ground us. Whether it's the fight to preserve culture, the strength to overcome adversity, or the determination to stand tall in the face of challenge, we welcome artworks that honour the spirit of courage and celebrate the shared journey of Indigenous people and the Dragons.





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Submission Details:

Your artwork should embody the essence of these themes and offer insight into the cultural narratives and traditions they represent.

Artist are to provide a background on the design. It would be expected that a storyline would accompany the artwork which clearly explains all aspects of the design.

We look forward to celebrating Indigenous culture together and showcasing your creativity and heritage through this special initiative.

Eligibility: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists

- Design must be authentic, an original work of the artist submitting the design.
- Artist must be aged 15 or over.
- Entry is limited to **one** design per artist.

DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- Design base colour for the painting must be able to be applied to a red, black or white jersey.
- We encourage artists interpretations of what your art would look like applied onto a jersey

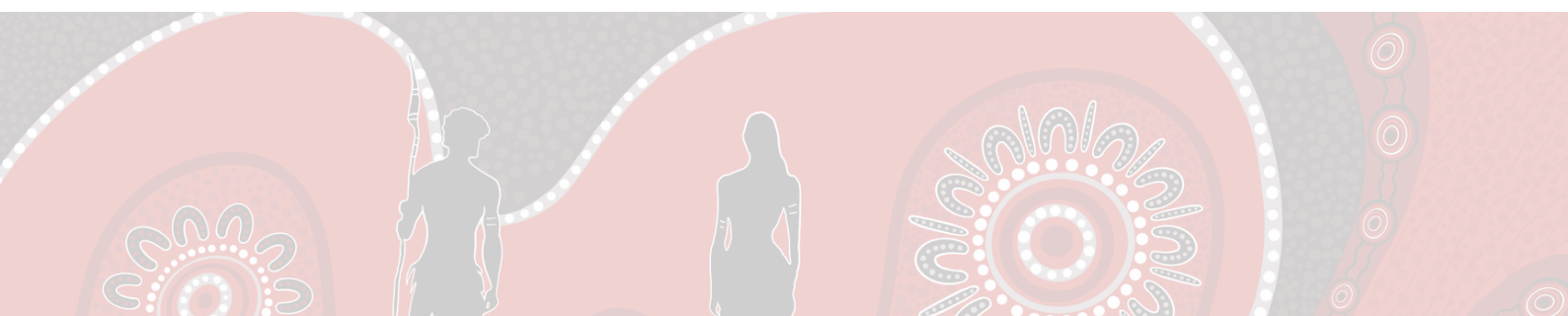
PROCESS OF SELECTION

-Representatives from Dragons advisory group, playing squad, staff, selected Elders and community, will review ALL submissions and select the winning design based on relevance to the design brief.

TERMS OF SUBMISSION

All artwork submissions submitted by **FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER 2025**

- Download the Entry Form
- Entry form must be either emailed to Dragons Community or supplied with design (in person or post)
- Final artwork, if emailed **MUST** be supplied in high resolution pdf or eps file and supplied in a ready to use format





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HOW TO ENTER

Please return your completed entry to St George Illawarra Dragons Community team:

In person: Dragons Office, Steelers Club, Level 1 Burelli St Wollongong NSW 2500

Post: St George Illawarra Dragons PO BOX 900 Wollongong NSW 2500

email: abezzina@dragons.com.au

YOUR NAME _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____

TOWN/SUBURB _____ STATE _____

I AM ABORIGINAL ☐ TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ☐ BOTH ☐

POSTCODE _____

ARTWORK TITLE _____

ATTACHED DESCRIPTION AND MEANING OF YOUR ARTWORK ☐

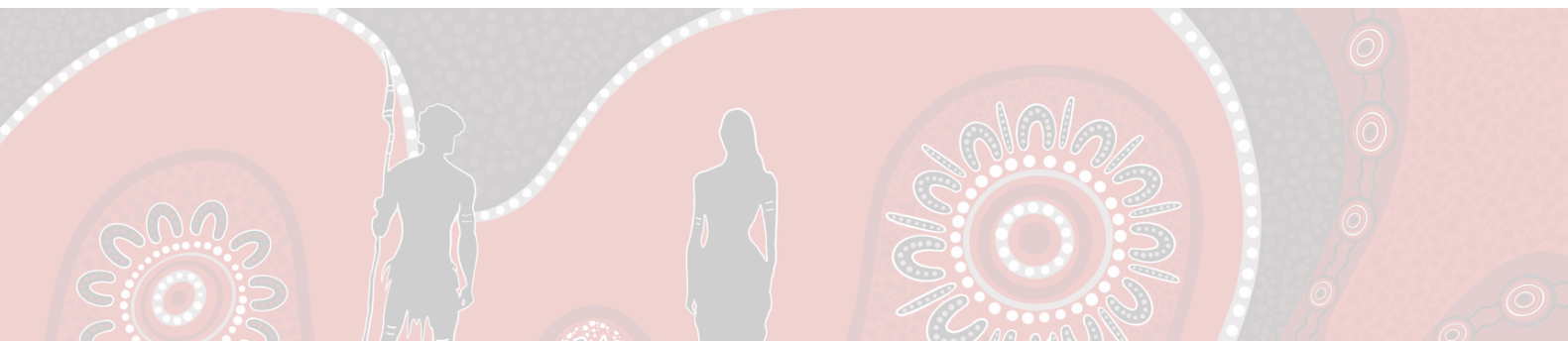
I AGREE TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS BELOW ☐

- Successful artist/s will receive \$3,000, a collector's edition 2026 Indigenous Jersey signed and framed, an unframed 2026 Indigenous Jersey. In addition, the successful artist will be involved in the Indigenous Round guard of honor*(1).
- The successful artist/s acknowledges and agrees that, as a condition of selection, they will be required to sign a license agreement granting the Dragons rights to use the winning design across selected products. The artwork may be adapted or modified as necessary for production and application purposes.
- Submissions will be accepted from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only.
- I declare this design is authentic and a original work that I am submitting

**(1) Guard of Honor will be subject to STGI Dragons having a home game for NRL in Indigenous Round 2026*

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____





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CONSENT FORM: ARTIST UNDER 18

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____ hereby give my permission for _____ my son/daughter/ward, born DOB _____ to submit an entry into the St George Illawarra Dragons 2026 Indigenous Jersey design competition. I will accept and abide all Terms and Conditions of the 2026 competition on their behalf

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

TOWN/SUBURB _____ STATE _____ POSTCODE _____

I AGREE TO THE ACCOMPANYING TERMS AND CONDITIONS PROVIDED ☐

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

