

Art the Plate at Shinmachi Japanese Restaurant in Newtown, is a community event celebrating the everyday creative culture of our customers, and the healing qualities of food and good company. Art the Plate invites people to participate by designing their own ramen (ラーメン) bowl or plate, and then after the painted bowls have been fired, the bowls will be exhibited at Shinmachi. This project is proudly supported by City of Sydney.

There are two categories:

1. Open community plates

Open to any age and ability.

Cost: \$18 (includes free bowl of ramen plus the plate and glazes and firing)

Dates: Now until Sunday 29th November.

The restaurant's ramen chef will judge the winner of this category, and the prize will be a meal for two. The Chef will design a bespoke feast to celebrate the winning design. This chef worked under Iron chef Rokusaburo Michiba in Japan.

Please note that the plates will be fired early December and ready to pick up BEFORE Christmas, making them ideal presents.

2. Artist bowls

Artists of any genre are invited to participate for no cost, and selected artists will be invited to exhibit their bowl in the restaurant. Artists will keep their bowl after the exhibition. Shinmachi is visited by more than 1000 customers a week so we expect popular exposure. Every artist also gets a free bowl of ramen. There is no prize for this category.

Dates: Open now however your bowl must be returned by 29 November.

Exhibition: 6 January – 28 February 2021

Every plate or bowl returned for firing will earn the customer a free bowl of ramen. "We want people to feel encouraged to try ramen noodles and to feel like this restaurant is a safe place for them to come with their friends or family, and a place to learn more about Japanese food and culture" says Riota Kumasaka.

The exhibition of completed designs will be launched in the new year.

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