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MEDIA STATEMENT: Christ Church student announced as Young Archie finalist

Christ Church Grammar School Art student Lucca Harvey (Year 11) has been announced as a finalist in the 13 to 15 year age category of the 2019 Young Archie Portraiture competition, which attracted over 2100 entries.

His self-portrait titled *A splash of me* received recognition from judges, including artist and 2016 Archibald Prize finalist, Marikit Santiago.

"This is the first painting I've ever done in watercolour," says Lucca.

"I decided to work in watercolour as over the summer break I grew tired of using the same medium."

"I wanted to step out of my comfort zone and bring back the excitement of doing something new."

"As a first piece, I decided to paint myself because in the likely event of messing it up I didn't want to hurt another person's feelings."

Lucca's self-portrait is currently on exhibition at the Art Gallery of New South Wales, with the winner to be announced on 10 August.

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