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Hadley's Orient Hotel were thrilled to win Gold in Cultural Tourism at the 2022 Tasmanian Tourism Awards sponsored by MONA - Museum of Old and New Art.

Dating back to 1834, Hadley's Orient Hotel is one of Australia's oldest and most significant hotels. Every room is a vessel of stories; every space has witnessed a procession of visitors and guests alike. The historic building is a treasure trove with much to explore and imagine. We have enjoyed preserving a truly unique heritage, highlighting and sharing fascinating tales from Tasmania's history, and presenting a variety of exceptional art to visitors and locals alike.

The Hadley's Art Prize was launched on the 90th anniversary of the first solo exhibition held at Hadley's Orient Hotel – a series of landscape paintings by John Eldershaw.

The Hadley's Art Prize is about giving back to the art community (as artists and art-loving tourists have been flocking to Hobart and filling local hotels ever since the opening of MONA), bringing art back to the historic walls of Hadley's Orient Hotel though a landscape prize like Howard Hadley won in 1895, celebrating and sharing the work of contemporary Australian landscape artists, and contributing to Hobart's vibrant winter events calendar.

With a comprehensive public program of events and an education resource, the Hadley's Art Prize exhibition of finalists welcomes a broad audience.

Other cultural experiences which contributed to our win were The Language of Textiles: Unravelling Ornament exhibition, the celebration of Amundsen's Antarctic heroism with an exhibition of works loaned from the Australian Antarctic Division, and our new free audio story-telling project, The Trail of Terrific Tales.

Hadley's would like to congratulate all the other amazing businesses who took part in the awards.

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