



**JANUARY 2024**

**FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

COMPETITIONS	ACTIVITIES & EVENTS
<b>Tuesday 13th January</b> Judging Night: Action / Movement	<b>Tuesday 16th January</b> Activity Night - Scavenger Hunt
<b>Due Tuesday 13th January</b> March Competition: From Behind	<b>Tuesday 30th January</b> Social Club Dinner - Brougham Arms Hotel

**Editor's Desk**

Welcome to 2024 members, and we've managed to kick off the new year with a great start to our Competitions with 99 entries in our first comp, Action / Movement. The committee is working hard on creating another year of interesting events, activities and trips to some of the locations suggested by our members at the brain storming session last year. We also have our two big fundraisers for the year in the first three months with Australia Day Celebrations in January and Easter in March, so our start to the year will be a busy one, but we know our club has always been up to the challenge, so welcome back and happy snapping everyone, cheers.

**TUESDAY 16TH JANUARY 2024**

**Bendigo Camera Club Scavenger Hunt**

**BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC**

The BCC Committee has organised a Scavenger Hunt around Lake Weeroona, a fun little activity to test your creativity. As you wander around the lake photograph as many items as possible from the list below. You can work in pairs or small groups. Come back as soon as you are done so your images can be collected. All participants must be back in the clubrooms by 9pm to view the photos

**To make it easy to collect and display your photos it would be appreciated if you could do the following:**

Set your camera to take JPG (not raw) images

Delete any other photos from your card so that ONLY your scavenger hunt photos are on it

Choose your favourite three photos to share (write down their file names to help us download them).

**What to Photograph:**

- Movement
- Red
- Backlit
- Dog
- Feather/s
- Texture
- Reflections
- From Behind
- Nature
- People

**CHANGES TO MEETING START TIMES: 7:00PM**

**Starting Time for Club Nights 2024**

Discussion was made about how our meetings end quite late and if we should try a 7pm start time. Survey on Facebook showed that of the 21 responses, 61% would like to start at 7pm, 14% wanted to stay at 7.30pm and 23% didn't care. At the next activity night we had a show of hands asking members in attendance who would like to start at 7pm. The overwhelming response was that most didn't care either way. Based on the results the Committee decided to trial a 7pm start for our meetings in 2024 to see if it helps us get home a little earlier.

**FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY 2024**

**Australia Day Exhibition & Drink Sales 2024**

Set-up will be on Thursday 25th January 7 - 9pm. We have 8 people put their name down to volunteer for Australia Day (7/8 saying they would like to exhibit). I will bring the request for volunteering to the lake walk. I think we need to get the info out ASAP so we give people enough time to get matted prints, framed prints, etc. organised. It is only days away!

**TUESDAY 30TH JANUARY: 6:00PM (FOR 6:30 START)**

**BCC Social Dinner**

**Brougham Arms Hotel - 150 Williamson St, Bendigo VIC**

The first Social dinner for the club just happens to fall on the first month of the year, Tuesday 30th January. For those who haven't added their name to the list as of yet it will be at the club rooms again next Tuesday for our Photo Treasure Hunt around Lake Weeroona. So come along and join us for a bit fun. If you can't make it next week but would still love to come to the dinner please contact Flic so she can add you to the list: [secretary@bendigocameraclub.org.au](mailto:secretary@bendigocameraclub.org.au)

**TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY: 11:45PM**



**March Comp Photos Due: From Behind**

**BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC**

Your entries are due for our second competition of the year: From Behind. Get your creative juices flowing people cause we want to see what you can come up with. If you can think of a new and interesting way of looking at the select subject, you might just excite the judge with an image or technique they haven't seen before, and that often scores well.

**TUES 13TH FEBRUARY**

**Judging Night (Action/Movement)**

**BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC**

Join us at the Clubrooms to hear the results of our first competition for the Year 2024, with 99 entries we're looking forward to seeing some great photography, and whether we can hit the 100+ entries mark. Don't forget this year we are trialing 7pm starts so that we can hopefully wrap up the meetings a little earlier.

**A LITTLE FORWARD PLANNING**

**BCC COMPETITION DEADLINES 2024: 11:45PM**

**BCC Photo Competition Set Subjects 2024**

The committee looked at the list created by members at the brain-storming session and selected the following Set Subjects for the BCC Photographic Competitions coming up in 2024. Esther has kindly created brief definitions for each subject to give an idea of the type of images we're looking for.

**FROM BEHIND Due Tuesday 13th February 2024**

Capture the subject from a unique perspective - focusing on the subject's rear view.

**WINE / VITICULTURE Due Tuesday 11th April 2024**

Capture the essence and artistry of wine in its various stages; from vines to vineyards to wine cellars to the glass.

**DOORS & WINDOWS Due Tuesday 11th June 2024**

Explore and capture the beauty, character, and stories found in doors and windows. They can convey a sense of place, history and human connection.

**STEAM / VINTAGE Due Tuesday 13th August 2024**

Explore and capture the nostalgia, beauty and character of steam-powered machinery, vintage vehicles and other relics from the past.

**MACRO / CLOSE-UP Due Tuesday 10th September 2024**

Capture the subject at a very close range, revealing intricate details and textures that are not easily visible to the naked eye.

**SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY - BUS TRIP**

**Blue Lotus Water Gardens**

**2628 Warburton Highway, Yarra Junction VIC**

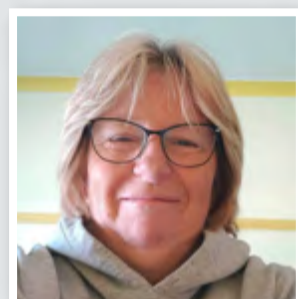
The Committee is currently planning a bus trip to the Blue Lotus Water Gardens for mid February, we will have more details to come soon.



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### YOUR BCC COMMITTEE 2023 / 2024

All BCC Members are encouraged to get to know their Committee Members so they can approach them with any enquiries, complaints or suggestions. So we have put together a little photo board below so that new coming members may easily recognise and get to know us better.



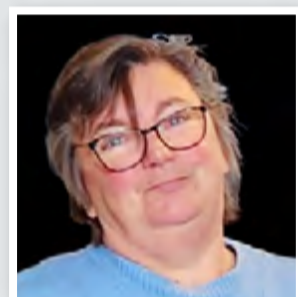
**Pauline Moore**

*President*



**Felicity Johnson**

*Secretary*  
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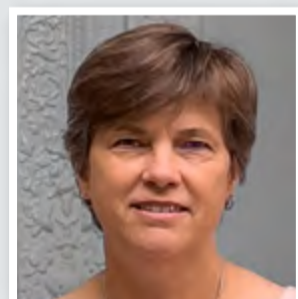
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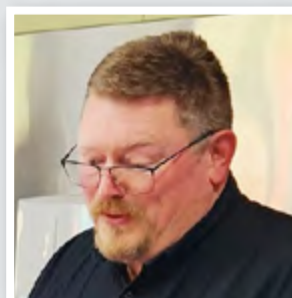
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*Treasurer*  
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**Eugene Dopheide**

*Competition Steward*  
[email eugene](#)



**Jason Archer**

*Committee Member*  
[email jason](#)

### DO YOU HAVE A POST FOR THE NOTICE BOARD

Just a friendly reminder to members of our new Notice Board Section, where members can add event invitations, ask questions, or sell old equipment they no longer need. If anyone has anything they want to add to the Notice Board, please don't hesitate to contact Mark by phone: 0439 655 695 or email: [frissy33@gmail.com](mailto:frissy33@gmail.com) or in person at any of the meetings. If at any stage I'm not available please contact Flic via email: [secretary@bendigocameraclub.org.au](mailto:secretary@bendigocameraclub.org.au)

### PRESIDENTS MONTHLY MONOLOGUE

#### My Fellow Members

##### Welcome to 2024

I hope this finds you all dry and safe. It was nice to see lots of people attend the awards night. It's always nice to sit at the end of the year and look back at what we have achieved, both as a club and individually.

Congratulations to all the winners.

The new year holds lots of exciting new topics and some interesting activity nights. We have a yearly learning topic for the first time, which we will be looking at how to use artificial lighting in the form of both on and off camera. This should be lots of fun. We have also booked in a reptile photography shoot. There are also plans in the making for some more night photography, on a farm with some machinery.

The committee have already been hard at work looking into the way our competitions are run. At this stage we have made changes to the aggregate scoring. You may still enter two images in any one section BUT only your top 6 scores will be used to assess your total aggregate score. This is in place for 2024.

It's a busy time if the year for club fundraising our Australia Day display is almost upon us, I hope you have been getting your 10 print images ready. You may also sell your images if you wish. We will be asking for volunteers to assist on Lo the day.

As Easter is in late March you may want to start thinking about those images also. We will be opening the entry list for that very soon.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Scavenger Hunt which we most likely will be having inside the club rooms.

**Pauline Moore BCC President 0413 968 793**

### PHOTOGRAPHY ONLINE

Photography Online is a 60 minute monthly photo magazine show hosted on YouTube. You may already be aware of our channel, but we have taken a break from releasing output during 2023 to allow us time to record more exciting content from all over the world.

Our relaunch show is available from Jan 7th and includes a photo challenge around the UK, winter macro photography, a photo tour around Namibia and a model shoot where we cross process some film to get some funky results. We also have a week-long photo holiday to the Isle of Skye in Scotland (worth £2000) to be won.

We then have a further 9 highly produced shows to come in 2024 which will be released on the first Sunday of each month through to Oct. These will include features on light painting, zoo photography, astro and aurora, long exposure seascapes, wildlife for beginners, wide angle photography, camera maintenance, hidden Venice, and lots more.

Photography Online is free to watch and aims to educate, inspire and enthuse anyone with a camera to get out more often and enjoy their photography.

Please see website for details: [www.YouTube.com/PhotographyOnline](http://www.YouTube.com/PhotographyOnline)

### BCC MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD

#### MEMBERSHIP FEES 2024

Hi everyone, for those who haven't renewed their membership already for 2024 there's still time. There are three (3) convenient ways to renew.

1. Credit Card and Debit Card through the convenience of the Clubs electronic payment through TYRO
2. Cash at a Club meeting.
3. Direct payment to the Bendigo Camera Club's Bendigo Bank Account. Payment via Direct Deposit to: Bendigo Camera Club, BSB 633000 Acc No. 5613500, Reference: MEMBERSHIP (followed by your name, so we know who's paid)

**For those who have already paid, THANK YOU.**

#### CHANGES TO COMPETITION SCORING 2024

##### Aggregate Scores End of Year Competition

The committee has been reviewing how the aggregate score is calculated for each section of our annual competitions and it has been decided to change the calculation for this and coming years to as follows:

You may still enter 3 images in total, including up to two images in any one section, BUT as of this year, only your six HIGHEST scores in each section (Set Subject, Open or Monochrome) will be included in your end of year total aggregate. The committee sees this as a more inclusive way to calculate these scores. Pauline is happy to answer any questions the members may have: [paulinemooore011@gmail.com](mailto:paulinemooore011@gmail.com)

Good luck to everyone, in this year's competition.

#### SECONDHAND EQUIPMENT

##### Canon Camera Equipment

One of our members, Brian Bird is looking to sell some secondhand gear:


##### Great beginners set-up..only \$750 the lot!!

- Canon 5DIII Camera
- EF 17-40mm f/4 L USM Lens
- EF 50mm f/1.4 Lens
- 3x Canon LP-E6 batteries
- 16gig Compact Flash Card
- 16gig SD Card
- 5DIII Manual
- 5DIII Original, unused camera strap.

##### Also available seperately:


- Canon EF 85mm f1.2 L II USM Lens with Lens Hood, Carry Bag and Original Box - Rarely used, **Only \$950** (\$2400 new / \$1800 used)
- Sigma 150-600mm f/5-6.3 DG OS HSM Sports Lens for Canon Mount, Including the Sigma USB Dock, **Only \$800** ( \$2400 new / \$1500 used)

**If you require more info or wish to purchase please contact:  
Brian Bird 0448 455 115**



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## CURRENT - FEBRUARY 2024

### Summer in the Parks

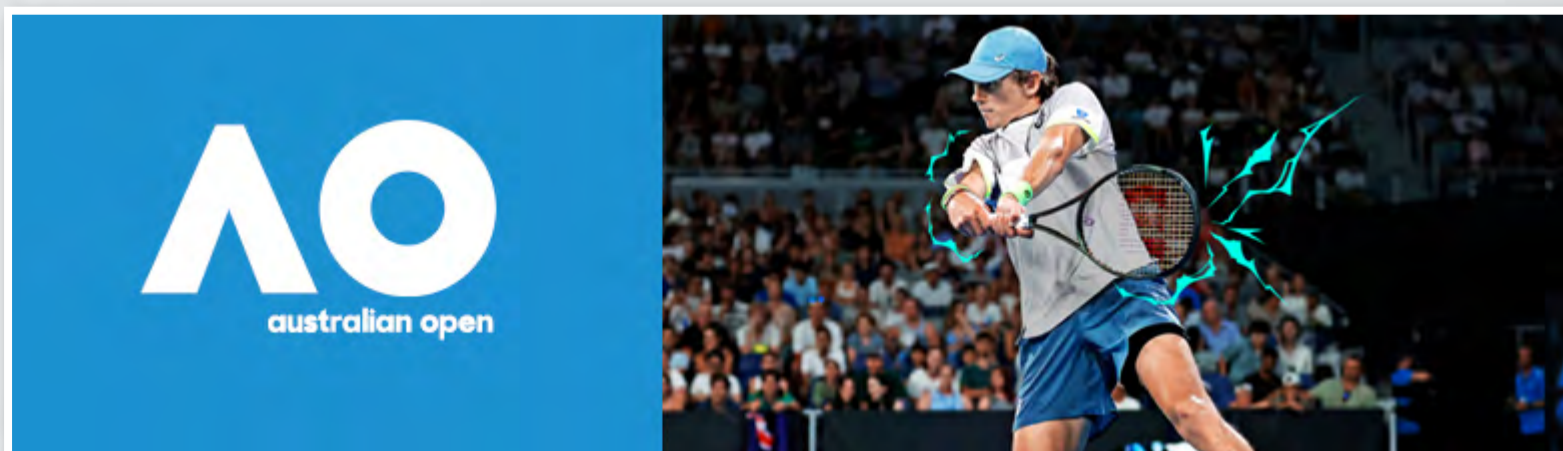


#### Various Times & Locations - Bendigo VIC

The ever-popular Summer in the Parks Program will return for 2022/2024 and will feature free or low-cost events and activities during the months of December, January and February. Please see website for details: <https://www.bendigsummerintheparks.com/>

## SUN 14TH - SUN 28TH JANUARY: 10AM - 12AM

### Australian Open

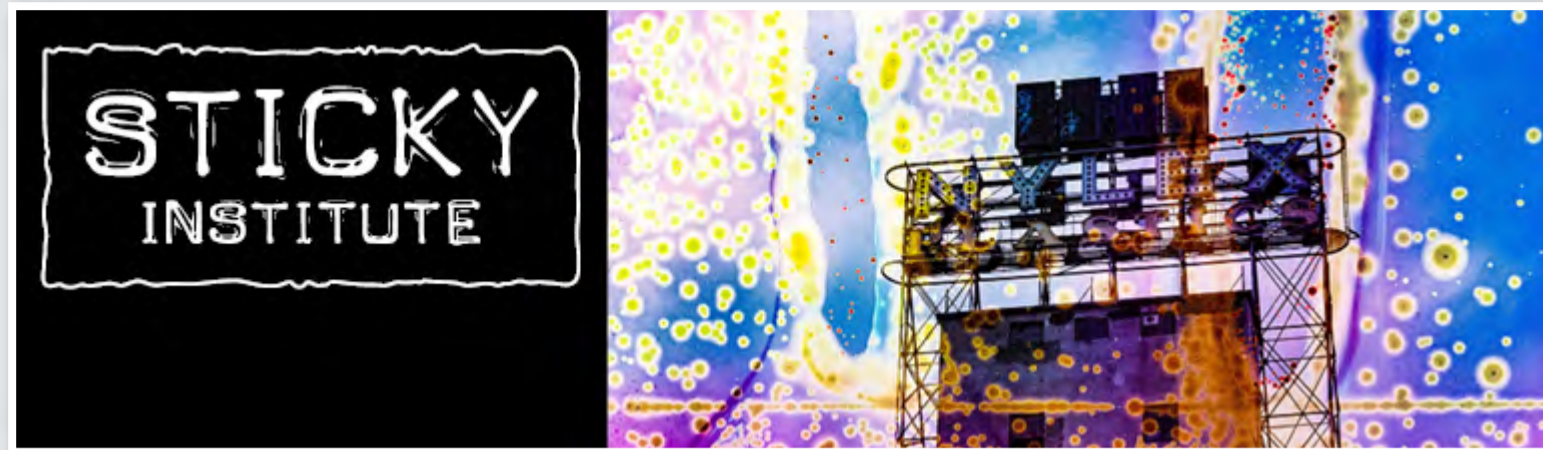


#### Melbourne Park - Melbourne VIC

The Australian Open returns for two weeks of world-class action on and off the court. Catch the biggest names in the game and non-stop entertainment to match at Melbourne Park this January. Please see website for further details: <https://ausopen.com/>

## THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY: 5PM - 7PM

### Everyday Alchemy x Heat Safe City Exhibition



#### Sticky Institute, Room 814 - 815, Level 8/37 Swanston St, Melbourne VIC

This summer, the City of Melbourne is launching its Heat Lab project designed to raise awareness, and reduce the risks, of extreme heat. They have teamed up with Sticky Institute to produce some exciting summer programming and creatively respond to the topic of extreme heat and climate change. On Thursday 18 January, from 5pm to 7pm, come down to Sticky Institute for the launch of Everyday Alchemy x Heat Lab, an extension of the experimental analogue photographic project of Natalie Blom. View works on an intimate scale to uncover evidence of the impact of heat on photographic film, echoing the effects of increased temperature on us all. This is a FREE event but you must book a place to attend: <https://events.humanitix.com/host/sticky-institute>

## SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY: 10.30AM - 12PM

### Experimental Film Workshop - Natalie Blom



#### Sticky Institute (Edmund Herring Pavilion) - 44 Domain Rd, Melbourne VIC

Join photomedia artist Natalie Blom in exploring alternative techniques in analogue photography. A range of techniques will be discussed including cross-processes, solarography, pinhole cameras made from household items and more. Participants will have the opportunity to be guided through taking photographs using the film soak technique Natalie used to create the works in her series Everyday Alchemy. The workshop will include a brief walk as an opportunity to take pictures for film soaking. Participants will need to bring their own camera and 35mm film, and have a working knowledge of their camera and general film photography.

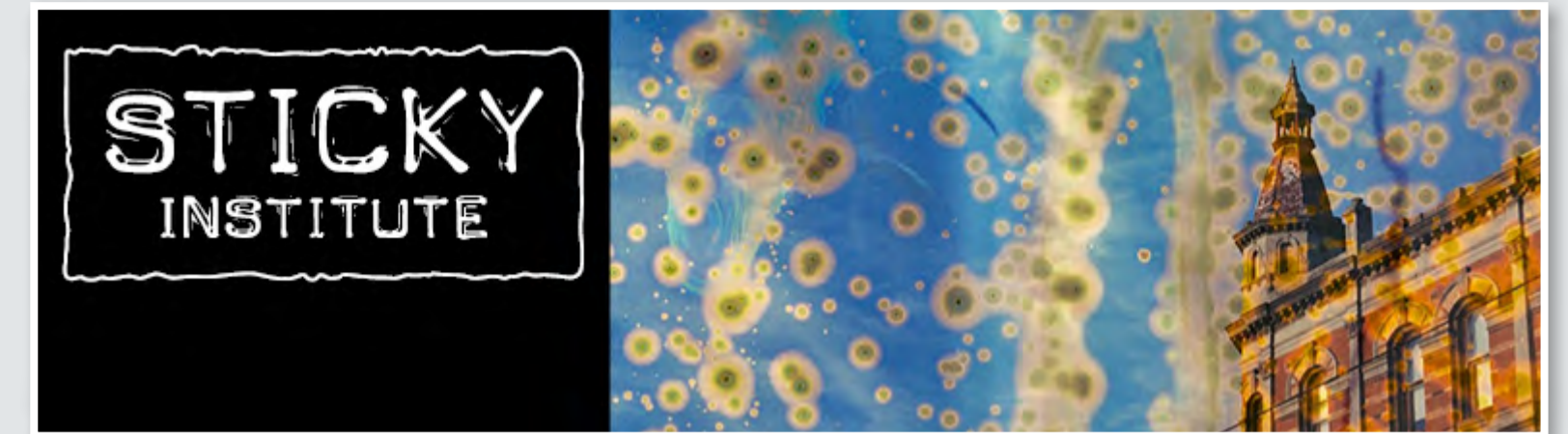
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For details about the Sticky Institute and other activities they run please see their website: <https://www.stickyinstitute.com/workshops>

## THURS 18TH & SUN 21ST JANUARY: 2PM - 3PM

### Everyday Alchemy x Heat Safe City Exhibition



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This is a FREE event but you must book a place to attend:

<https://events.humanitix.com/host/sticky-institute>

## CURRENT - 28TH JANUARY: 10AM - 4PM

### Pirates and Mermaids at Kryal Castle



#### Kryal Castle - 121 Forbes Road, Leigh Creek VIC

Set sail for adventure at Pirates Ahoy these summer holidays at Kryal Castle! Join in for thrilling escapades, as the castle transforms into a pirate haven! Get ready to encounter a motley crew of pirates, mermaids, and hidden treasures around every corner. Dive into the world of pirates with live performances, interactive experiences, and exciting activities for all ages. Don your finest pirate attire, and embark on a voyage like never before. Pirates Ahoy at Kryal Castle promises to be an adventure of daring fun, and unforgettable memories.

Please see website for details: <https://kryalcastle.com.au/>



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**SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY: 2PM - 4:30PM**

**Blues Tram - The Rattlers & Charlie Bedford**



**Central Deborah Goldmine (76 Violet Street), Bendigo VIC**

Enjoy the sights of Bendigo's architecturally stunning CBD from on board the sensationally restored vintage Class tram #610, while being serenaded by two great acts: The Lone Vanguard + Geoff Achison. Departing Central Deborah Goldmine (76 Violet Street) at 2pm, returning 4:30pm. Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigoregion.com.au/explore-bendigo/events/bendigo-blues-tram>

**SUN 21ST JAN - SUN 11TH FEB: VARIOUS TIMES**

**Midsumma Festival**



**Various Locations - CBD, Melbourne VIC**

Midsumma Festival returns in 2024 to once again showcase a diverse celebration of distinguished queer arts and cultural festivities. Celebrating the LGBTQIA+ communities since 1988, Midsumma Festival proudly presents over 200 events showcasing queer culture, featuring local, interstate, and international artists in spectacular performances. Please see website for details: <https://www.midsumma.org.au/>

**MONDAY 29TH JANUARY: 3PM - 5PM**

**Library Cinema - Frances Ha**

**Performance Space, Library at The Dock - 107 Victoria Harbour Promenade, Docklands VIC**

Come along for contemporary, classic & documentary films on the big screen. Feel free to stay for snacks and a chat afterwards. The 2024 program kicks off with Frances Ha. Greta Gerwig and Adam Driver star in this fast, funny and flirty tale of a group of 20-something New Yorkers trying to find bliss in the Big Apple.



Please see website for details: <https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/libraries/whats-on/Pages/library-cinema.aspx>

**SATURDAY 27TH JAN: 5:30PM - 7PM & 8PM - 9:30PM**

**Groove Tram - Josh DeAruago**



**Alexandra Fountain Tram Stop - Charing Cross, Bendigo VIC**

Step on board one of Bendigo's iconic trams and be transported to a world of pure entertainment, where live music, local brews, and fine wine, are all enjoyed. \$20 per person. Drinks + nibbles at bar prices. No BYO.

Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigotramways.com/tours/groove-tram>

**SAT 20TH, 27TH JANUARY 2024: 6:30PM - 11:15PM**

**Blues Train Queenscliff**



**Queenscliff Railway Station - Cnr Hesse & Symonds St, Queenscliff VIC**

Departing from Queenscliff and rolling along the Bellarine Railway. Take in the picturesque views of the sun setting behind Swan Bay, plus interval stops at railway platforms along the Bellarine Peninsula. 8pm departure, return back into Queenscliff station between 11.15 - 11.30pm. Please see website for details: <https://www.theblustrain.com.au/the-experience/>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2024: 9AM - 5PM**

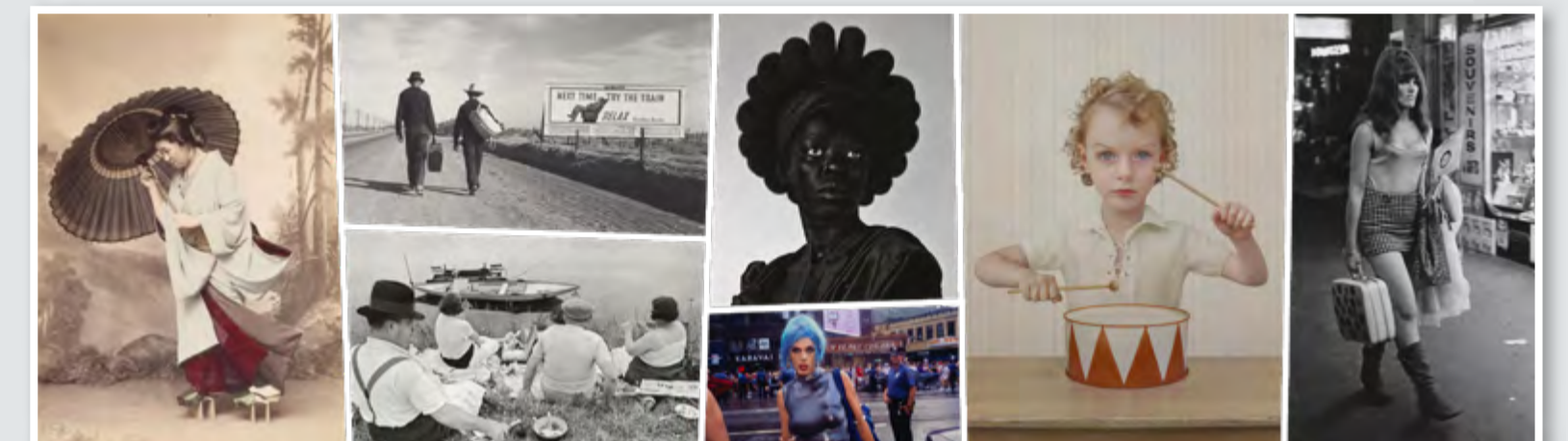
**RELICS: A New World Rises**

**Melbourne Museum - 11 Nicholson St, Carlton VIC**

Set in a future long after humanity's reign, RELICS tells the story of a world where LEGO minifigures have risen from the debris to craft intricate civilisations in discarded human artefacts, each one inspired by the object they now call home. 15 detail-packed worlds in RELICS: A New World Rises. Please see website for further details: <https://museums.victoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/whats-on/relics-a-new-world-rises>

**CURRENT - WED 31ST JANUARY 2024: 10AM - 5PM**

**Photography: Real and Imagined**



**Ian Potter Centre: Cnr Russell & Flinders Sts (Fed Square), Melbourne VIC**

Photography: Real and Imagined examines two perspectives on photography; grounded in the real world, as a record, document, reflection of the world around us; and as the product of imagination, storytelling and illusion. On occasion, it operates in both realms.

Please see website for details: [www.ngv.vic.gov.au/exhibition/photography-real-imagined/](http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/exhibition/photography-real-imagined/)

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 28TH JAN 2024: 10AM - 6PM**

**Mirror: New Views on Photography**

**State Library Victoria - 328 Swanston St, Melbourne VIC**

Great photography can hold up a mirror to the world and reflect our innermost thoughts and feelings. Mirror: New views on photography, is a mesmerising exhibition at State Library Victoria that showcases over 140 photographs from the collection, alongside creative responses from emerging and established Victorian storytellers to tell fascinating tales of Victoria through a contemporary lens. Displayed in stunning immersive detail, the photos of Rennie Ellis, Viva Gibb, Helmut Newton and more combine with the words, performance and sounds of Alice Skye, Christos Tsiolkas, Jason Tamiru, Walter Kadiki and other storytellers to produce new narratives of Victorian people and places. Please see website for further details: <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/mirror>



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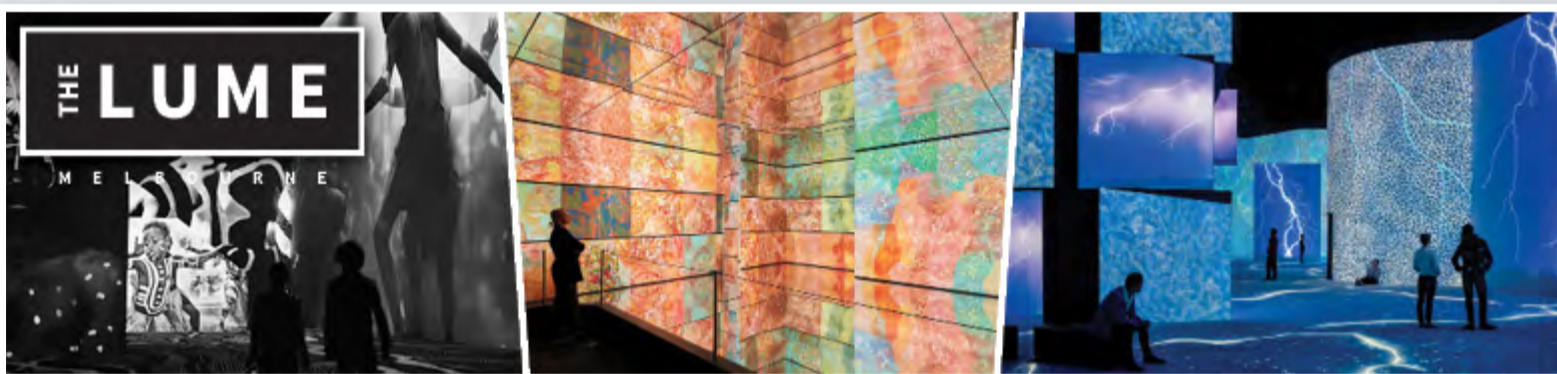
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**THE LUME Melbourne**



**MCEC (West end) - 5 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC**

Ranking among Melbourne's most-loved and most-visited attractions, THE LUME Melbourne immerses visitors into the world's finest art at a jaw-dropping scale. Its current feature experience, Connection, is a breathtaking showcase of First Nations art, music and culture. The experience features nearly 650 artworks from more than 110 visual and musical artists, representing the largest collection of First Nations art ever assembled. Connection spans a digital experience, a gallery of original artworks, interactive installations, dining centred around native ingredients, and more. Connection fuses the world's oldest culture with cutting-edge technology. Please see website for further details: <https://www.thelumemelbourne.com/>

**SAT 10TH - SUN 18TH FEBRUARY: 10:30AM - 5PM**

**Lunar New Year at The Great Stupa**



**The Great Stupa - 25 Sandhurst Town Rd, Myers Flat VIC**

Celebrate Lunar New Year with us at the Great Stupa. From Saturday the 10th to Sunday the 18th February, join us in welcoming the Year of the Dragon with: A lucky gift, Chinese lion dances, Delicious food, A new year wish, Calligraphy and more! Please see website for further details: <https://stupa.org.au/lunarnewyear/>

**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY: 11AM - 5PM**

**Forage and Feast – Urban Wine Walk**



**Ballarat CBD - Mair Street, Ballarat Central VIC**

The streets and laneways of Ballarat come alive as a line-up of incredible venues each transform into an Urban Cellar Door and host a winemaker for you to visit on a self-guided wine trail! How does it work you ask? Simply decide which venue you'd like to start from and you're off! Choose your own adventure as you and your friends move from venue to venue tasting delicious wines thanks to the incredible line-up of winemakers. Featuring Aunty Jacks, Meredith Wines, Mitchell Harris, Grainery lane, Hop Temple, and 18th Amendment.

**PARTICIPATING VENUES & WINEMAKERS**

18th Amendment Bar Ft. St Anne's Winery (VIC), Aunty Jacks Ft. Meredith Wines (VIC), Ellington's Wine Bar Ft. SubRosa Wine (VIC), Grainery Lane Ft. Best's Wines (VIC), Hop Temple Ft. VINO Intrepido (VIC), Midtown Cellars and Bar Ft. Yume (VIC), Mitchell Harris Wine Bar Ft. Mitchell Harris Wines (VIC), Renard Ft. Fin Wines (VIC), The George Hotel Ft. Chepstowe Vineyard (VIC)

Please note that additional venue menus may vary during the event. Please see website for details: <https://www.urbanwinewalk.com.au/>

**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY: 5.30PM - 8:30PM**

**Lunar New Year 2024**



**Dai Gum San Precinct - Bendigo VIC**

Come celebrate the Lunar New Year at Bendigo! We are excited to kick off the Year of the Dragon with an appearance from Sun Loong. The night will also feature performances from local community groups and a variety of food vendors to be announced soon. You do not want to miss this! Sun Loong retired in 2019 so don't miss your chance to see this 100m dragon on this special occasion. The Lunar New Year, also known as the Spring Festival, has a rich history that spans thousands of years and holds great significance in various cultures across Asia. The Lunar New Year will enthuse the Year of the Dragon, promising excitement and new beginnings. Please see website for details: <https://www.facebook.com/events/7083604084995975>

**SAT 10TH - SUN 11TH FEBRUARY: 1PM TO 4PM**

**Melbourne Camera Club Workshops**



**MCC Clubrooms - 254-256 Ferrars St, South Melbourne VIC**

Melbourne Camera Club Invites you to register for this very exciting opportunity. Portrait Workshop - Film Noir & Gatsby Inspired Portraits. In our "Film Noir & Gatsby" inspired themed workshop with Julie Powell. These workshop is open to all MCC members and will be held at MCC clubrooms. Both workshops will be identical with 10 participants each, hence register for 1 workshop only. Limited places left.

**Workshop 1:** Saturday 10 February 2024 1pm to 4pm

**Workshop 2:** Sunday 11 February 2024 1pm to 4pm

Non MCC Member Fee \$250.00 + PayPal booking fee \$7.50

Please register on our website: [www.melbournecameraclub.org.au](http://www.melbournecameraclub.org.au)

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY: 10AM - 9PM**

**Chinese Lunar New Year Dragon Festival**




**Chinatown Melbourne - Little Bourke Street & Russell Sts, Melbourne VIC**

Celebrate in Chinatown for the highly auspicious Year of the Dragon, symbolising longevity, prosperity, wealth and happiness. Bring your family and friends on the single day festival to celebrate the Year of the Dragon at the Chinese Lunar New Year Festival, with the food, music, art and culture of Melbourne's Chinese and Asian communities.


CYSM Lion Dance Performance:	10.30am
Opening Ceremony (Main Stage – Russell Street):	11.30am
Dai Loong Dragon Parade (Main Stage):	12:15pm
Cultural Performances (Main Stage):	All day
Market Stalls (Russell St):	All day

Proudly organised by Melbourne Chinatown Association. Please see site for details: <https://www.melbournechinatownassociation.com.au/>



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**CURRENT - SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY: 8.30PM - 11PM**

**A Midsummer Night's Dream**



*Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria - Birdwood Ave, South Yarra VIC*

An Australian Shakespeare Company classic and the jewel in the Shakespeare comedy crown, A Midsummer Night's Dream is returning to Melbourne to dazzle and delight audiences of all ages. Set against the picturesque backdrop of the Royal Botanic Gardens, lit up and sparkling at night, A Midsummer Night's Dream takes you on a riotous ride through a world of lovers, fairies and fools. Please see website for details: <https://shakespeareaustralia.com.au/>

**MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY: 7.30PM**

**Environmental Portraiture - by Craig Wetjen**

*St. Michael's Parish Support Centre, 121-123 High St. Berwick VIC*

Studio portraits focus on the individual and not their surroundings.



Environmental portraits on the other hand shift the emphasis to the subject usually in their workplace and conducting their profession. Our informative session will be packed with real world techniques and give you a greater understanding of camera settings, flash techniques, balancing natural light and flash, shaping light and having fun with what you will learn. Visitors welcome - \$10 admission. Please see website for details: <https://shakespeareaustralia.com.au/>

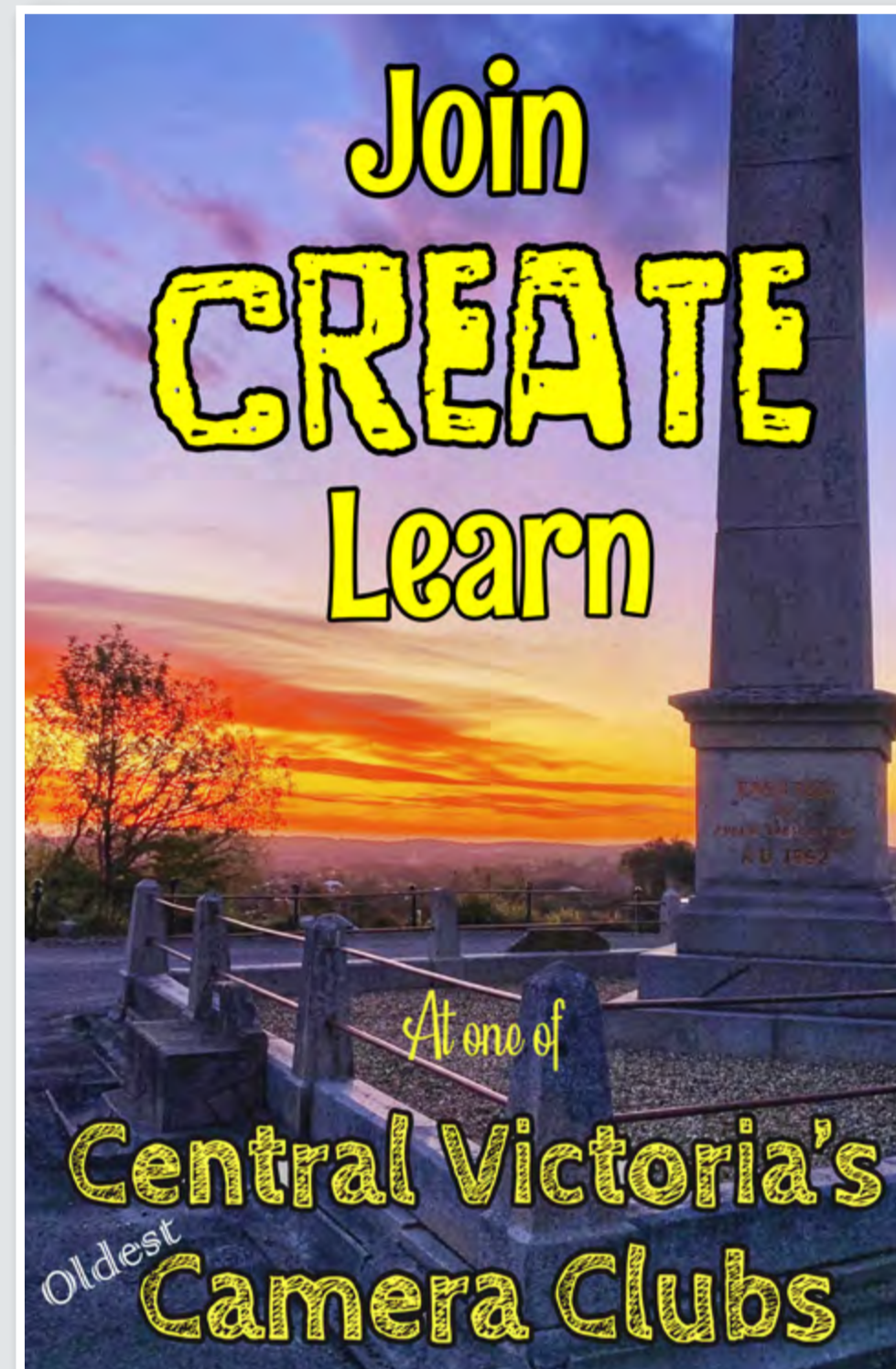
**TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY: 6:30PM - 8:30PM**

**Mount Alexander Photographic Society (Castlemaine Camera Club)**

*M.A.P.S. Clubroom - Chewton Town Hall, 145 Main Rd, Chewton VIC*

Mount Alexander Photographic Society (Castlemaine Camera Club) starts 2024 at our Chewton Clubroom on February 13 at 6:30pm with a presentation & launch of the year's program. A BEGINNERS Night is planned on February 27, then in March & April we focus on Milky Way Photography.

For more details or any queries please email: [mt.alex.p.s.info@gmail.com](mailto:mt.alex.p.s.info@gmail.com)



**THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY: 6.30PM - 9PM**

**Boomers in Bendigo**



*Red Energy Arena - 91 Inglis St, West Bendigo VIC*

The Australian Boomers Basketball Team gears up to return to regional Victoria for a thrilling clash against Korea in the FIBA Asia Cup Qualifiers on 22nd February 2024. The Red Energy Arena Bendigo will transform into a sea of green and gold for one unforgettable night, showcasing the best of international basketball. The Australian Boomers, a powerhouse in the FIBA Asia Cup competition, will face the formidable Korean team in what promises to be a high-stakes and intense matchup. As the Boomers strive to secure their spot in the prestigious FIBA Asia Cup, basketball enthusiasts in Bendigo and beyond are in for a treat. Secure your tickets early and join us in lighting up Bendigo in green and gold for a night of unforgettable basketball action. Please see website for tickets: <https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=BENBOOM24>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**Swan Bay Express Train Rides**



*20 Symonds Street, Queenscliff VIC*

Sit back as the train traverses rural farmland on its way to Queenscliff and skirts the foreshore around Swan Bay during an 8km trip. Trains run most Sundays year-round and on selected public holidays. All trips are currently departing from Queenscliff Station only. On running days trips will depart at 11:00am, 12:00pm and 2:15pm. Seats may be limited and bookings are recommended: <https://bellarinerailway.com.au/heritage-train-rides>


**CURRENT - SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY: 10AM - 4PM**

**Viewfinder: Effy Alexakis**



*Hellenic Museum - 280 William Street, Melbourne VIC*

Effy Alexakis is one of Australia's leading portrait and documentary photographers, who has chronicled the Greek-Australian experience since the early 1980s. Viewfinder: Effy Alexakis is a survey of the artist's 40-year-long practice and the themes that have underpinned her personal and professional journey to understanding her cultural heritage. Each image delves into the nuances of the Greek-Australian identity, sharing stories of migration, self-determination and unity through difference in a country of meshed diasporas. By capturing moments in time and rooting them in a sociocultural context that reaches far beyond the edges of her viewfinder, Effy's work challenges the photographic medium. Though still, her images are far from static – just like the vibrant and evolving community they document. Supported by the City of Melbourne Arts Grants & Exhibition Media Partner, The Greek Herald. Please see website for details: <https://www.hellenic.org.au/exhibitions>



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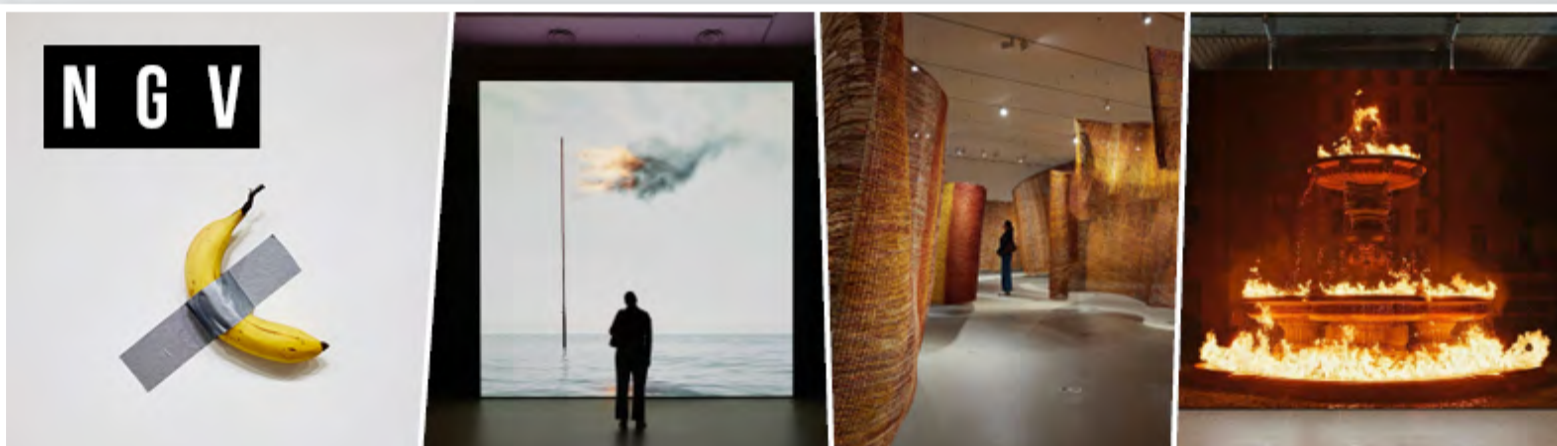
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**NGV Triennial**

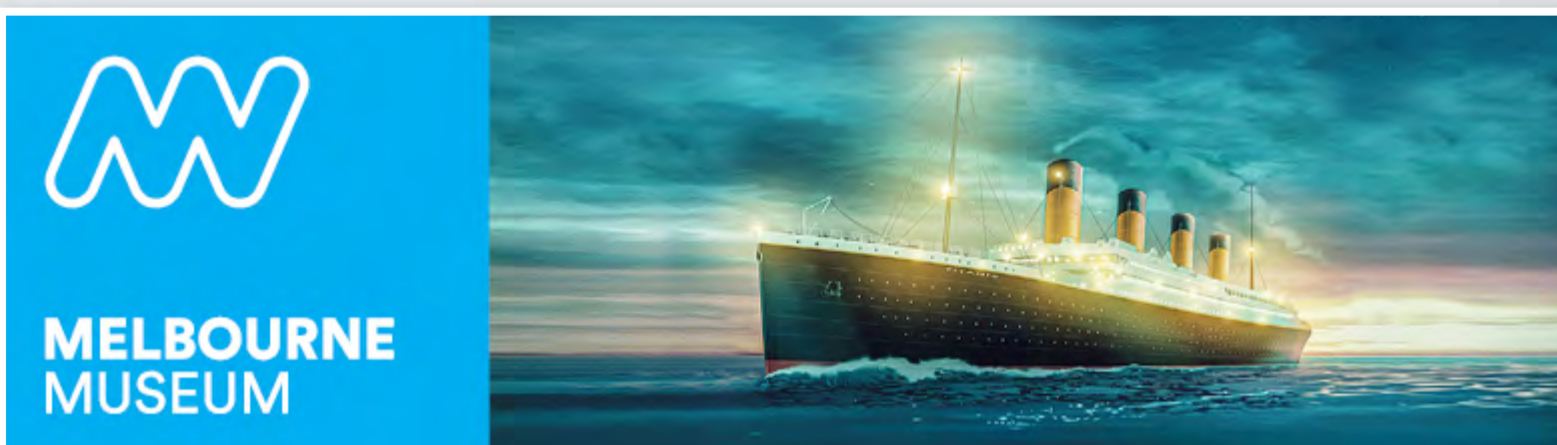


**National Gallery of Victoria - 180 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne VIC**

NGV Triennial 2023 is a powerful and moving snapshot of the world today as captured through the work of 100 artists, designers, and collectives at the forefront of global contemporary practice. Please see website for further details: <https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/triennial/home/>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 14TH APRIL: 9AM - 4PM**

**Titanic: The Artefact Exhibition**

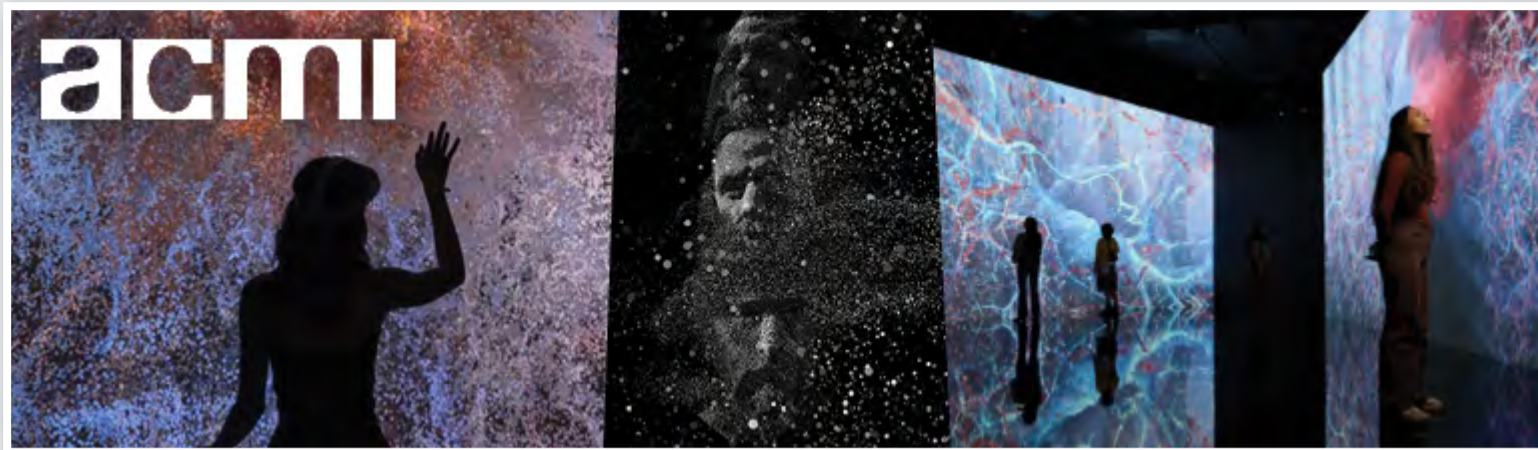


**Touring Hall, Melbourne Museum - 11 Nicholson St, Carlton VIC**

One of the most famous tragedies in modern history, the story of the Titanic and its ill-fated maiden voyage continues to enthral, educate and break hearts more than 110 years since she sank to the bottom of the ocean. Collect your boarding pass and embark on a journey to explore the powerful stories of those who travelled and worked onboard the legendary ship. Please see website for further details: <https://museums victoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/>

**CURRENT - SUN 14TH APRIL: 10AM - 5PM**

**Marshmallow Laser Feast: Works of Nature**



**ACMI - Flinders St, Melbourne VIC**

Marshmallow Laser Feast: Works of Nature illuminates the hidden forces surrounding us, revealing the sublime through sensory journeys beyond our everyday perception. From the roots of a majestic Amazonian tree to the unseen branches of the body and the birth of galaxies, this hypnotic, immersive experience explores the rhythm that cultivates and connects all life – breath. Featuring four major digital artworks on a grand, awe-inspiring scale plus evocative works on paper from London-based collective Marshmallow Laser Feast. Through guided meditation, large-scale screen works and interactive experiences, visitors evolve from droplets of water to plants, cells and stars, becoming part of the cycle of life and the cosmos. Please see website for further details: <https://www.acmi.net.au/whats-on/marshmallow-laser-feast-works-of-nature/>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 21ST APRIL: 9AM - 5PM**

**Unfinished Business**



**Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum - 11 Nicholson Street, Carlton VIC**

Unfinished Business in an exhibition of photographic portraits revealing the stories of 30 First Nations people with lived experience of disability from across Australia. Through their involvement in the project, each participant's self-narratives which accompany their portraits contextualise and draw much-needed attention to critical issues that impact on their lives. This exhibition highlights works from award-winning human rights social documentarian Belinda Mason Knierim OAM, videography from Dieter Knierim, and cultural collaboration by proud Latja Latja/ Narungga man Uncle John Baxter. The exhibition also showcases mobility aids loaned from the Brotherhood of St Laurence and custom floral art installations by Alchemy Orange. These installations complement the powerful images reaching out to the humanity that entwines us all together. Please see website for details: <https://museums victoria.com.au/bunjilaka/whats-on/unfinished-business/>

**CURRENT - WED 17TH APRIL 2024: 11AM - 5PM**

**Punting on the Lake**



**Royal Botanic Gardens - Birdwood Ave, South Yarra VIC**

Glide between the bays and islands of the Royal Botanic Gardens' Ornamental Lake on a guided boat cruise. View the landscape as never before and get up close to amazing birdlife and aquatic plants for some wonderful photo opportunities. Please see website for further details: <https://puntingonthelake.com.au>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 24TH APRIL: VARIOUS TIMES**

**BBC Earth Experience**



**MCEC - 1 Convention Place, South Wharf, Melbourne VIC**


Experience an unforgettable journey through the natural world and explore the extraordinary diversity of our seven unique continents. Narrated by David Attenborough, features breath-taking footage. Please see website for details: <https://bbcearthexperience.com/melbourne>

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 3RD MARCH: 11AM - 3PM**

**Remembrance: by Golden Rivers Artists**

**Bendigo Military Museum - 37-39 Pall Mall, Bendigo VIC**

The Bendigo Military Museum is proud to host this heartfelt exhibition, which pays homage to the service and sacrifice of family members and ancestors of the Golden Rivers Artists. This captivating exhibition showcases the talents and heartfelt dedication of the artists. The exhibition serves as a reminder of the importance of remembrance and the role it can play in healing and honouring those who have served. Please see website for details: <https://www.bendigorsl.com.au/museum/>



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**Heathcote Winery Exhibition - Irene Majer**

*Heathcote Winery Gallery - 185 High Street Heathcote VIC*

Irene is an award-winning artist with works held in many private collections around the world, a contemporary visual artist, painting familiar shapes coupled with an abstract approach. She finds inspiration in the natural beauty, colours and patterns found in the environment. Her intention is to create works that evoke memories of places and time or just create an uplifting feeling. She invites the viewer to linger longer, look closer and discover other images within the intricate details. Please see website for details: <https://heathcotewinery.com.au>

**STARTING SATURDAY 6TH APRIL 2024**

**Harry Potter: A Forbidden Forest Experience**



*The Briars, Mount Martha VIC*

Adventure Into An Illuminated Forest. A nighttime woodland trail experience filled with magical creatures and wizarding wonders from the Harry Potter™ and Fantastic Beasts™ films. Set in a beautiful woodland, this experience has been brought to life by award-winning theatrical designers and experiential creators.

Times: Mondays-Sundays, 5:30 pm - 11 pm (Sunday - Thursday last entry at 9:45 pm) (Friday- Saturday last entry at 10:15 pm). Duration: approx. 60-90 minutes (the walking trail takes approx 45-75 minutes). Wizards, witches and Muggles of all ages are welcome! Please see website for further details: <https://hpforbiddenforestexperience.com/melbourne/>

**EXHIBITIONS & EVENTS: 10AM - 3PM**

**Old Treasury Building Exhibitions**



*Old Treasury Building - 20 Spring St, East Melbourne VIC*

The Old Treasury Building has a long history in Victoria and is widely regarded as one of the finest 19th century buildings in Melbourne, designed by nineteen-year-old architect JJ Clark and built between 1858 and 1862. Sitting at the top end of Collins Street in the Melbourne CBD, it hosts the original gold vaults where gold bullion was stored during the gold rush era, as well as rare and historic documents from Public Record Office Victoria highlighting key moments from Victoria's history, what better place to host exhibitions of historic value such as those currently being held: 'Protest Melbourne, A Nation Divided: The Great War & Conscriptation, Women Work for Victory in WWII, etc' just to name a few.

Please see website for details: <https://www.oldtreasurybuilding.org.au/whats-on/exhibitions>



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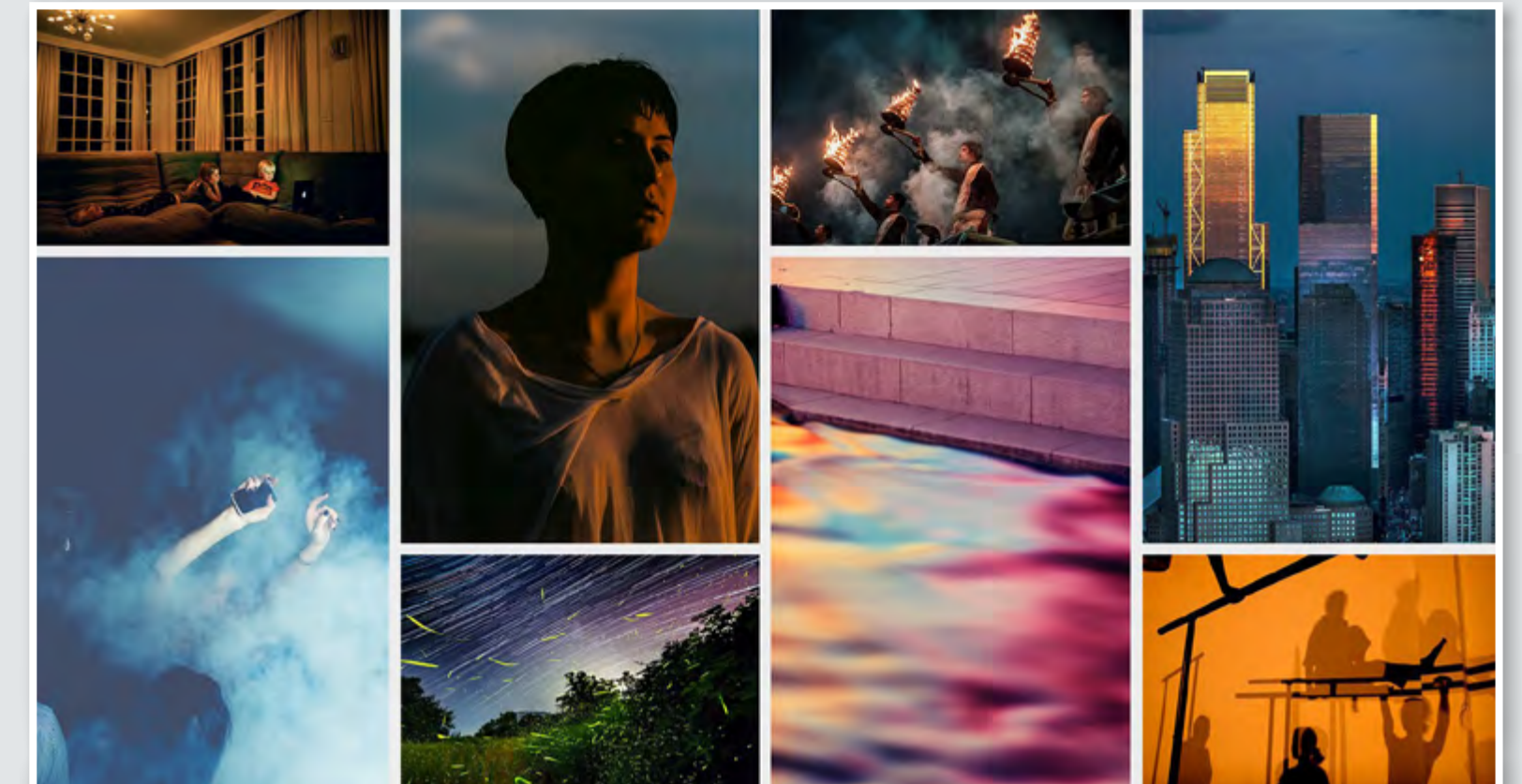
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**CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 31ST JANUARY 2024**

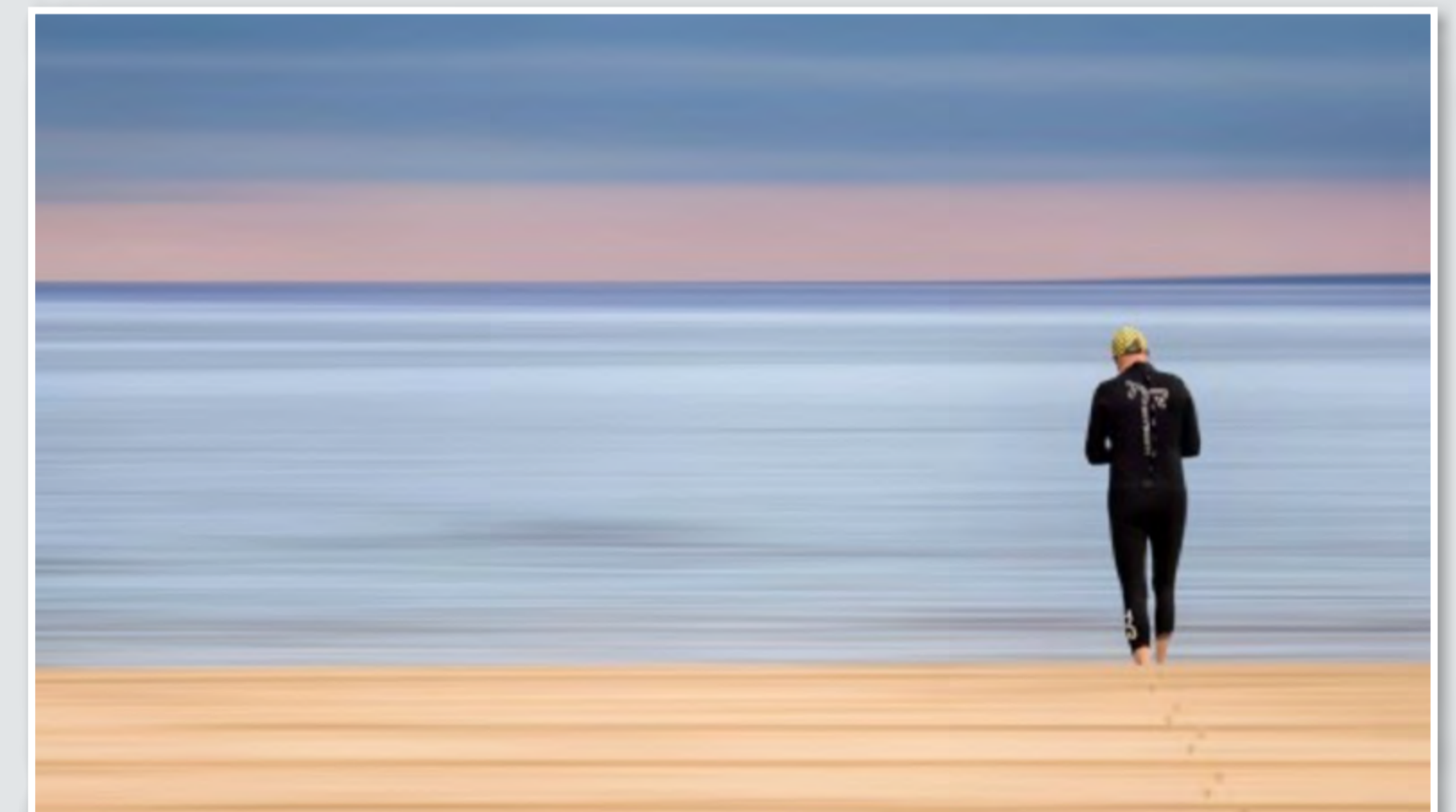
**Life Framer Photo Comp: NIGHT LIFE**



The sweet delight of an endless night. This month we are looking for images inspired by the night – in a literal or abstract way. From hazy dreams to harsh realities. From deserted backstreets to the glitz and glamor of a sleepless city. Neon lights and foreboding shadows. Show us darkness, the underworld, the hidden. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

**ENTRIES CLOSE: SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**MCC International Women's Day Print Exhibition**



The Melbourne Camera Club is celebrating 2024 International Women's Day by curating our sixth exhibition of photography from female photographers, to be on display 7–10 March in our heritage listed building in South Melbourne. We are excited about the opportunity to bring together women in photography and again explore our theme 'The Female Gaze'. Please see website for more info: <https://melbournecameraclub.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/MCC-International-Womens-Day-Exhibition-2024-Invitation.pdf>





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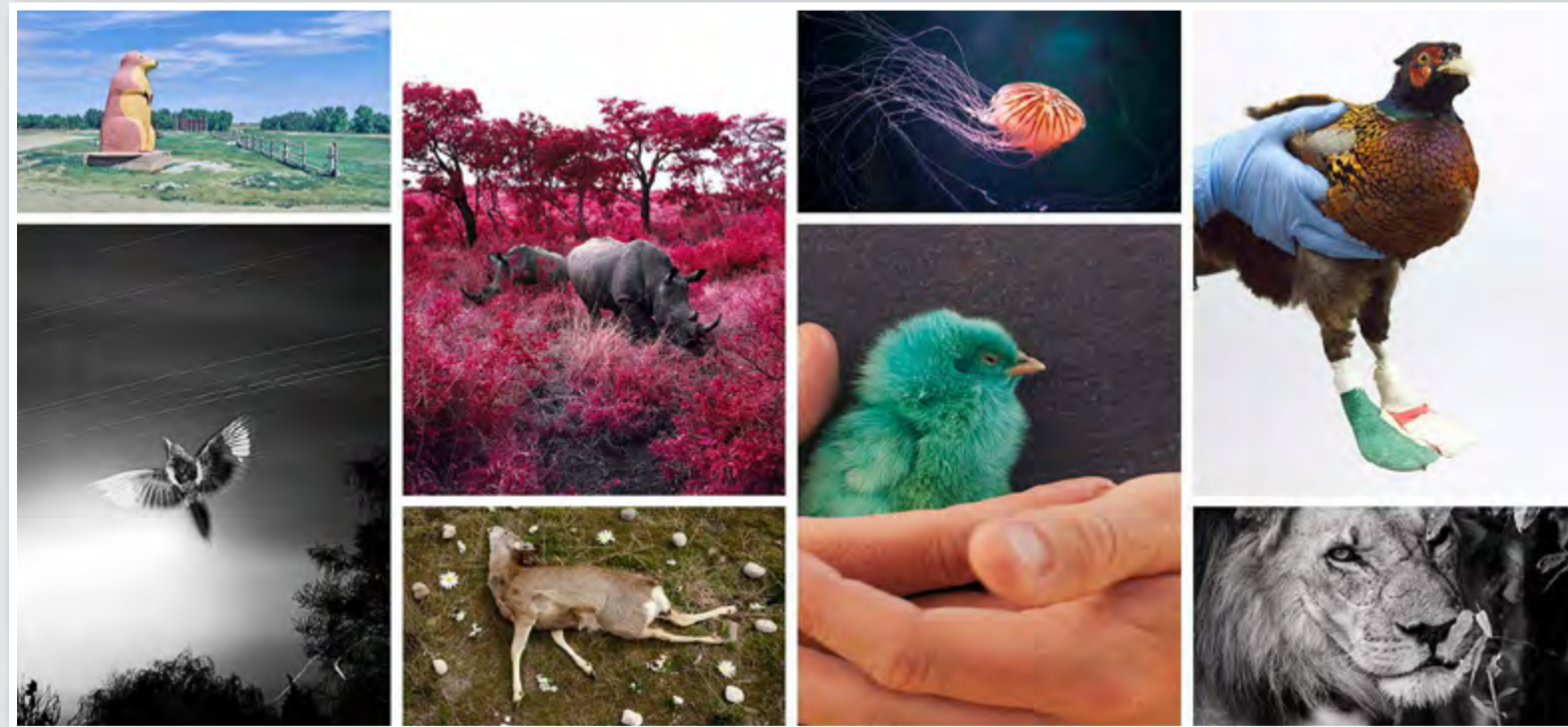
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**Life Framer Photo Comp: ANIMAL KINGDOM**



This month we want to explore animal life. Exotic or domestic, wild or tamed – out in nature or sharing our urban spaces. Thriving or merely surviving – animals as wildlife, companions or commodities. Show us the creatures that share our planet Earth. Wildlife, studio, documentary, storytelling, conceptual, candid or staged... Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

**CLOSING DATE: WED 28TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**The Landscape Awards**



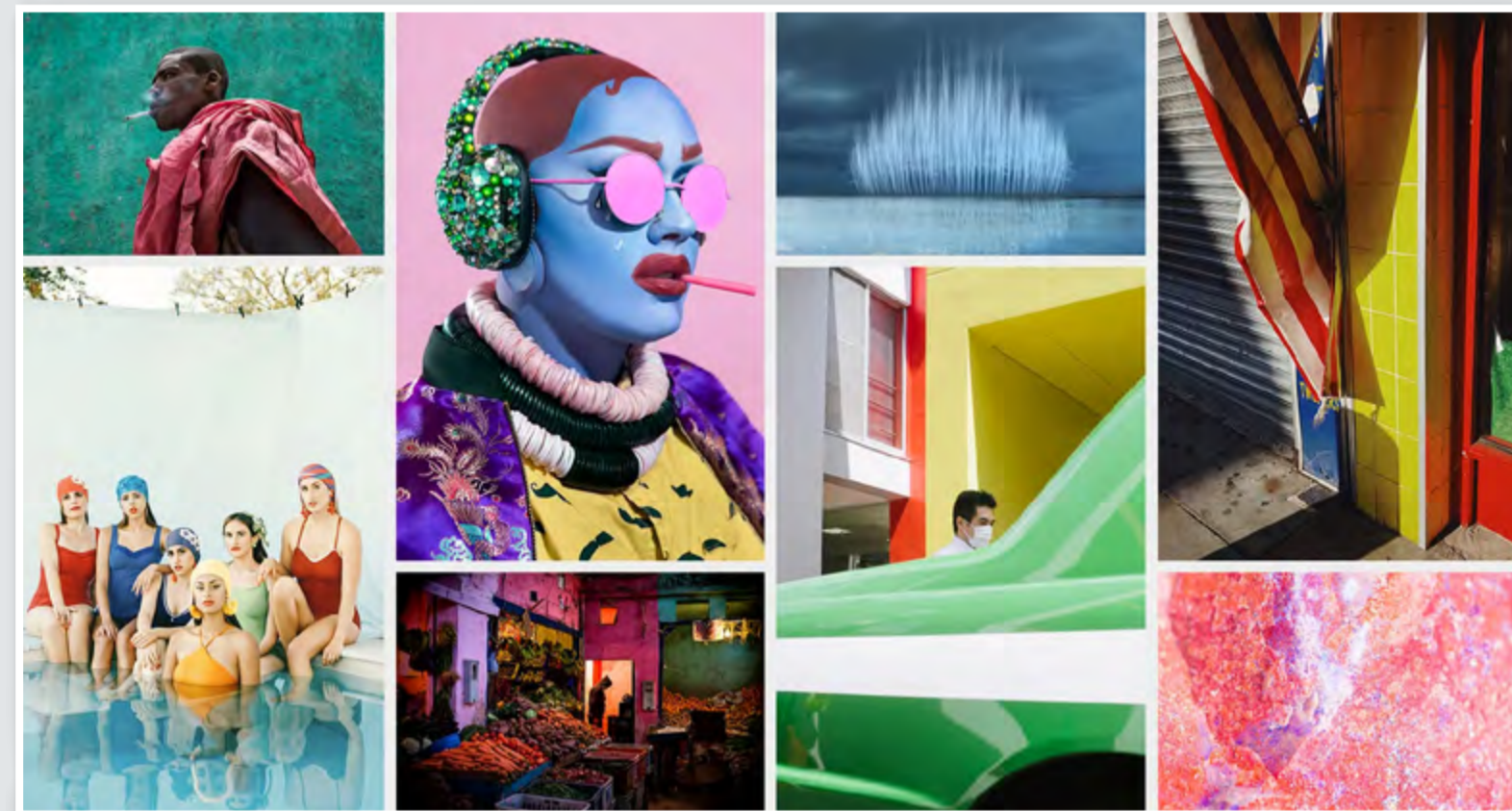
Now in its second year The Landscape Awards, presented by SanDisk, is looking for Australia’s and New Zealand’s best landscape photographers. We’re also thrilled to announce that, for the second year running, \$5 from each entry will be donated to the Australian Conservation Foundation to protect our precious natural landscapes into the future.

**FOUR CATEGORIES:** Landscape, Seascape, Aerial & Urban, \$22,000 PRIZE POOL: Includes \$8,000 cash, Eizo photo-editing monitors, OMSystem OM-1 and lenses, SanDisk prize packs and DJI Avata FPV drone.

**OPEN TO:** Australian and New Zealand amateur and professional photographers. If you’d like to be part of it you can learn more please visit the website: [www.thelandscapeawards.com.au](http://www.thelandscapeawards.com.au)

**CLOSING DATE: SUNDAY 31ST MARCH 2024**

**Life Framer Photo Comp: COLORS**



Life is a stream of color. Red, blue, yellow, and a billion pigments in between! We are looking for color-inspired photographs...literally and figuratively. A scene, a detail, a narrative or mood. A single tone or a technicolor daydream. Urban street scenes, portraits, travel adventures, landscapes, editorial, conceptual, still life... Color our lives. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

**CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY 2024**

<https://apsauscup.myphotoclub.com.au/>



The great Australian Photographic Challenge is on!

**THEME: THIS IS AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIAN CUP - opens 1 March 2024**

The great Australian Photographic Challenge is on. We are looking for the best images from Australian Photographic Club members both as a club and as individual photographers. This is an opportunity for clubs to showcase their best work and to promote themselves. There will be 10 awards for clubs and 29 awards for individual photographers presented and the judging will be done by three international judges. This is an opportunity put your clubs work on the global stage. All you need to do is chose 20 of the best images made by club members and enter by 31st May 2024. Please see website for more info: <https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/exhibition/australian-cup-for-clubs>