



FEBRUARY 2024

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

## COMPETITIONS

Due Tuesday 13th February

March Competition: From Behind

Tuesday 13th February

Judging Night: Action / Movement

## ACTIVITIES &amp; EVENTS

Saturday 17th February

Bus Trip - Blue Lotus Water Gardens

Tuesday 20th February

Activity Night - Still Life

## Editor's Desk

Well into February and the new year is racing along already. With our first Judging Night and 99 entries to get through for Action / Movement we are hoping the early 7pm start to meetings will help make it not to late a finish. For those wanting to go to the Blue Lotus Water Gardens on the 17th Feb remember it's first in, first served, we have a 22 seater bus hired. It's \$10 for the bus and entry is generally \$24.50 each but if we get a full group of 22, Flic can organise a group discount for entry of \$18.50 each, so please contact Flic ASAP if you want to go. A quick reminder to members who are entering competitions, you must be a financial member to do so. So for those who are not paid up yet, please contact Brian to make arrangements to do so. Happy snapping everyone, cheers.

## 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.

## 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. So if you haven't got your entries in yet, get in fast the deadline is almost here.

## SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY - BUS TRIP

## Blue Lotus Water Gardens



**2628 Warburton Highway, Yarra Junction VIC**

On Saturday 17th February, the club has organised a bus trip to Blue Lotus Water Garden situated at Yarra Junction. Spanning over 14 acres (50,000 square meters) in size. The tropical-themed gardens contain more than 40 different ponds, lakes and water features which produce the biggest display of lotus and waterlily flowers in the southern hemisphere. The grounds also contain an amazing array of exotic plants, garden exhibits, fountains, waterfalls, floral sculptures, walks and scenic vistas. We have hired a 22 seater bus and Esther's partner, Allan, has kindly offered to drive. The trip is 3 hours one way, including a toilet stop. We will be leaving 8.30am on the dot from the club rooms at Lake Weeroona. Please be there no later than 8.15am. We will do a pick up at Heathcote at 9.10am so please be near the toilet block at Barrack Street, Heathcote by 9am. We hope to get back to base between 5.30 and 6pm. We are doing a group booking, so please let me know asap (first in gets a seat) if you are going. The bus fee per person is \$10. Group discount ticket price is \$18.50 (normally \$24.50 for adults or \$22 for seniors/pensioners). Partners are more than welcome to catch the bus with us and enjoy the day! There is a cafe available for lunch or you can BYO. There is also a retail plant nursery and garden shop. There will be more information following regarding payment as we have to do one single payment for the group. Stay tuned for more info. Please let Flic know via email if you would like to come or fill in the attendance form at the next meeting. We need to know by Wednesday 14th. Please see website for idea of what you expect:

<https://www.bluelotusfarm.com.au/spectacular-water-gardens/>

## TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY: 7:00PM

## Activity Night - Still Life

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

Tuesday 9th April our May Competition Photos are due for Wine / Viticulture. So the committee has decided a chance to practice our still life photography might help those who want to learn how to go about setting up and shooting a scene with Wine as the key subject. We will set-up 5 Stations with a number of wine related objects at each so that members can practice setting up and lighting still life shots. Hopefully this will help you all to produce that next competition winning shot for Wine / Viticulture. We look forward to seeing you all there on the night, cheers.

## 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 brainstorming 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 &amp; 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.

## 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)



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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 comming members may easily recognise and get to know us better.



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*President*



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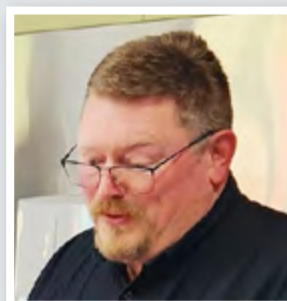
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**DO YOU HAVE A POST FOR THE NOTICE BOARD**

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

It's always a great way to come back with a social gathering chatting about what happened over the Christmas break. Looking around it's a great feeling to see people of all types and ages sharing a laugh, enjoying each others company because of a common interest.

A Treasure Hunt involving a stroll around the Lake looking for an array of items to capture with our cameras. It never ceases to amaze me how people see things so differently and this was very evident with the pictures shown after our stroll. The friendly banter being the highlight for me.

Australia Day, although I was unfortunately unable to attend events over the last week of January I have been told that many people played vital roles in the success of annual fundraising display. Thank you to all that helped out it is much appreciated.

Social dinner once again was extremely well attended. Thank you to all who take the time to come along. There is nothing like sitting down to a drink, nice meal and great conversation.

For those who would like to chat about shutter speed and how it can change an image. I will be available before the meetings on Tuesday nights for the month of February from 6.15pm. See you there.

*Pauline Moore BCC President 0413 968 793*

**BCC MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD**

**SECONDHAND EQUIPMENT**

**Panasonic Leica Lens**



One of our members, Peter Murrowood is looking to sell a Lens:

**Panasonic Leica DG Vario-Elmar 100-400mm f4.0-6.3 ASPH Power OIS**  
 Bought new, no longer used. Some signs of wear on zoom ring and body.  
**Price: \$400.00 negotiable.**

**If you require more info or wish to purchase please contact:**  
**Peter Murrowood - mob: 0488 781 618**

**CURRENT - SUNDAY 18TH FEBRUARY**

**Magnificent Macedon Ranges Exhibition**



The Macedon Ranges Club is currently holding an exhibition of their photography showing the beauty of the Macedon Ranges and surrounds. These wonderful print images are on display as part of the Ranges in Focus Exhibition at Gisborne Village Shopping Centre and finish on Sunday 18th February 2024. The Digital only images will also be able to be viewed on the website: <https://macedon-ranges-photography.org.au/mmr/>

**CONGRATULATIONS - GREG**

**Winner - Kit Goninon Memorial Print Awards 2023**



The BCC Committee would like to congratulate Greg McMillan on his First place, and the winner of the Kit Goninon Memorial trophy for 2023, for his image "Python reflection". Greg had 42 points, as did the runner-up, but got up on the strength of a 2nd place from one of the judges. Congratulations Greg – a well-deserved win for a regular entrant with a good body of work. Full results and a gallery of awarded images can be found at the Print Group area of the APS website: <https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/member-services/groups/print-group>



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**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/>

**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://www.craigwetjen.com/>

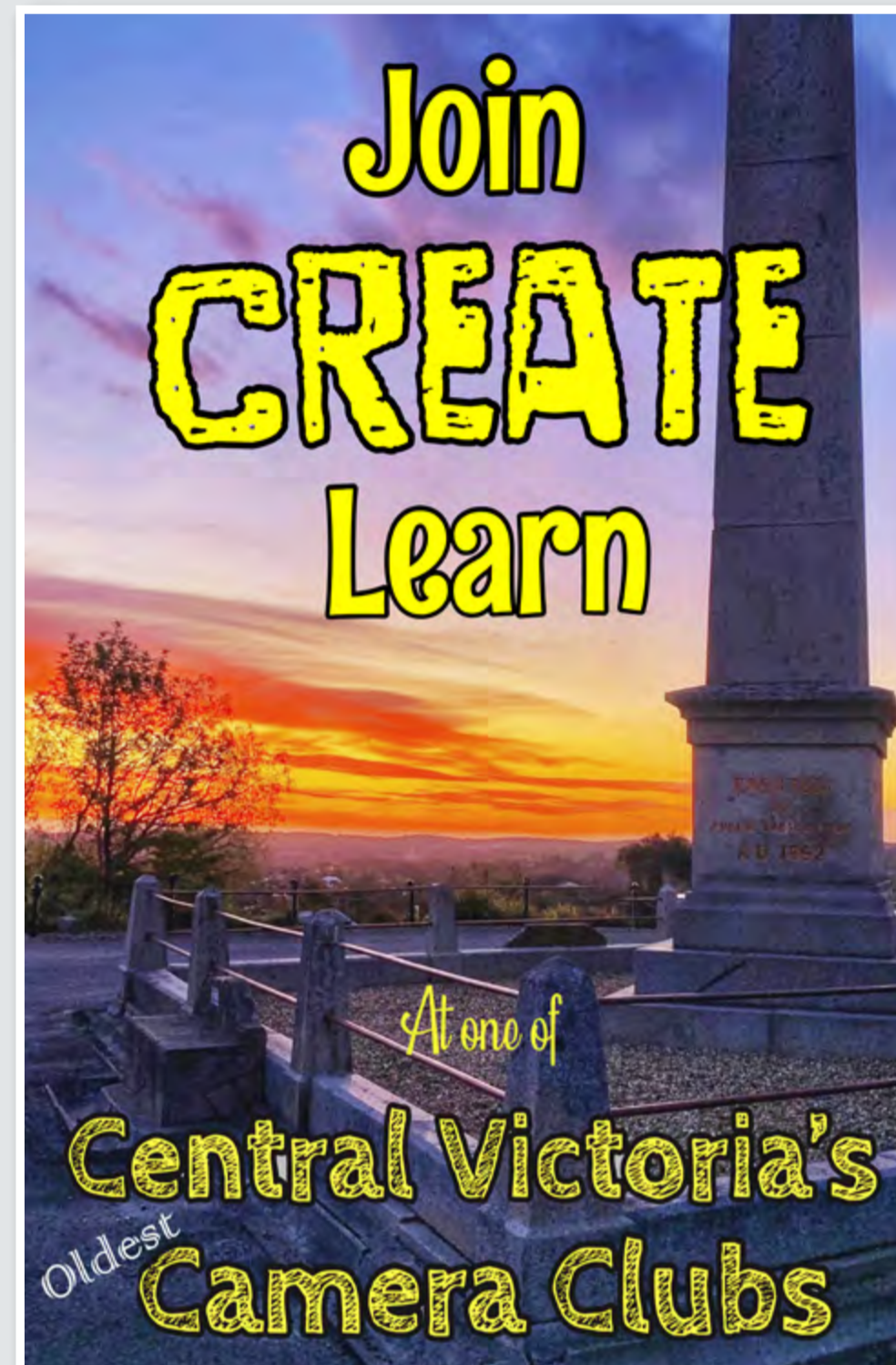
**TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY: 6:30PM - 8:30PM**

**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 15TH FEBRUARY: 11AM - 2PM**

**Lunar New Year at Collins Square**



**Collins Square - 727 Collins St, Docklands VIC**

Ring in the Year of the Dragon this Lunar New Year with an exhilarating celebration featuring performances and cultural activities. Immerse yourself in the rich traditions of Chinese culture with a dragon and lion dance performance (12:30pm), finishing up with a Yee Sang tossing - a traditional Chinese salad - guaranteed to mesmerize and entertain. Please see website for details: <https://www.collinssquare.com.au/whats-on/events/2024/01/lunar-new-year/>

**WED 14TH FEB: 5:30PM - 7PM & 8PM - 9:30PM**

**Groove Tram - Deus Sax, Valentine's Day Special**



**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 against the picturesque backdrop of Bendigo's rolling vistas. PRICES \$20 per person. Drinks + nibbles at bar prices. No BYO. Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigotramways.com/tours/groove-tram>

**SAT 17TH FEBRUARY: 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/>

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**SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY: 4PM - 11PM**

**Afro-Caribbean Carnival**



**Fed Square - Swanston St & Flinders St, Melbourne VIC**

For the first time at Fed Square, local and international acts will converge with the vibrant party that is Afro-Caribbean Carnival. At the heart of the party, four legendary Melbourne sound systems (DIYHiFi, Housewife's Choice, Heartical Hi Powa and El Gran Mono) and international heavyweights Saxon Sound System and Spikey Tee will battle across three stages. Wear your best carnival costume for a chance to be crowned the first Afro-Caribbean King or Queen of Carnival or head to the free drop-in workshop in the Atrium, where you can decorate your own headpiece. It wouldn't be carnival without the food – head to Swanston Street for Afro-Caribbean and African favourites. Please see website for details:

<https://fedsquare.com/events/afro-caribbean-carnival>

**SAT 17TH - SUN 25TH FEBRUARY: 10AM - 4PM**

**PopUp-ShowUp**

**8A Tivey St, Newstead VIC**

What happens when you ask a bunch of people to share their creativity in an impromptu PopUp exhibition? No plan No limits No theme Come along and see the result at PopUp-ShowUp, an exciting exhibition showcasing the diverse talents and interests of Newstead Arts Hub members. Showing that Art is for everyone. This exhibition is a celebration of Newstead Arts Hub and our first ever AGM at NAH. All Members of the Arts Hub get to contribute to the exhibition. It's not too late, become a member join in the fun. For more details please email: [info@newsteadartshub.org](mailto:info@newsteadartshub.org)

**WED 21ST FEBRUARY - SUN 12TH MAY:**

**Pliable Planes: expanded textiles & fibre practices**



**La Trobe Art Institute - 121 View St, Bendigo VIC**

Open: Tuesday - Friday 10am - 5pm, Saturday - Sunday 12pm - 5pm, Closed Mondays. This UNSW Galleries touring exhibition reimagines textiles and fibre art. Pliable planes includes new commissions and recent works by leading Australian artists Akira Akira, Sarah Contos, Lucia Dohrmann, Mikala Dwyer, Janet Fieldhouse, Teelah George, Paul Knight, Anne-Marie May, John Nixon, Kate Scardifield, Jacqueline Stojanović and Katie West. It is co-curated by Karen Hall and Catherine Woolley. Please see website for further details:

<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/art-institute/whats-on>

**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>

**FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY: 4PM - 7PM**

**Echuca Pro Rodeo**



**Echuca Show Grounds - Simmie Street, Echuca VIC**

M5Rodeo Promotions is excited to bring Australia's best bucking stock action to Echuca. Entertainment for the whole family! CowKids hour, rides, great food and drinks, as you watch the fast horses in the barrel racing, take the chance to get down and dirty with the steer wrestlers and lay your eyes on the fastest woman's sport in the world – the Breakaway roping! Rotary Park Echuca is the place to be for great night out with family and friends. Gates open from 4pm with all the main action from 7pm. Please see website for details:

<https://www.m5rodeo.com.au/>

**SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY:**

**Pako Festa - A Celebration of Cultural Diversity**



**Pakington Street, Geelong West VIC**

Pako Festa has been Victoria's premier free multicultural festival for over 40 years. This annual community street festival celebrates cultural diversity and is the biggest of its kind in Australia! The event attracts crowds of over 100,000 people and is managed by Cultura and held on the last weekend of February in Pakington Street, Geelong West. This vibrant award-winning festival includes an extravagant street parade featuring a sea of colour and costumes with hundreds of performers bringing the street alive, representing local community groups. Pako Festa showcases cultural diversity - via a smorgasbord of authentic cultural food, folk dancing, street parade, workshops & entertainment in a one kilometre long festival. Please see website for details:

<https://pakofesta.com.au/>



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**Draughthorse and Yester Year Festival**



*Mont De Lancey Historic Homestead, 71 Wellington Rd, Wandin North VIC*

Looking for a interesting and fun experience in the Yarra Valley that the whole family can enjoy? Draughthorse and Yester Year Festival gives insights into lost trades and life in the 1880s. These include majestic draught horses ploughing the fields, vintage engines powering up farm equipment, blacksmiths firing up the forges and making beautiful implements and wood turners making a range of beautiful timber objects. Please see website for details: <https://montdelancey.org.au/>

**SAT 24TH FEB - SUN 19TH MAY: 10AM - 7:30PM**

**Steve McCurry, Icons**



*Main Shed, Seaworks Maritime Museum, 82 Nelson Pl, Williamstown VIC*

Famed photographer Steve McCurry will exhibit more than 100 of his photos, including his famed Afghan Girl image, in Melbourne this month, following a successful run of the retrospective exhibition in Sydney. ICONS features more than 100 large-format photographs of McCurry's most iconic images, spanning 40 years of the photographer's work. Please see website for details: <https://stevemccurryicons.com/melbourne/#tickets>

**SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY: 4.45PM - 5.15PM**

**Last Post Service: War Animal Day**



*Second World War Memorial Forecourt, Shrine of Remembrance - Birdwood Ave, Melbourne VIC*

In recognition of War Animal Day (24 February), this special Last Post Service at the Shrine of Remembrance pays tribute to the remarkable deeds and sacrifices of animals in times of war. Throughout history, animals have served as indispensable assets in various roles, including transport, messengers, protectors, mascots, support animals, and cherished pets. Their vital contributions have left an indelible mark on every conflict involving Australians. Be part of this commemoration alongside service animals and their handlers. The ceremony will culminate with the symbolic release of homing pigeons. Please see website for details: <https://www.shrine.org.au/>

**SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY: 8AM - 4PM**

**Melbourne Lunar New Year Dragon Boat Festival**



*Community Boating Hub - 912 Collins St, Docklands VIC*

Join us on Sunday 25 February 2024 for the Lunar New Year Dragon Boat Festival at Victoria Harbour, Docklands. This event is presented by Dragon Boat Victoria, City of Melbourne and CNY United. You will witness the traditional eye dotting ceremony to awaken the dragons and the blessing of the boats and water for safe racing. You will also enjoy the cultural performance, lion dance, family activities and food trucks. Whether you are a paddler or a spectator, you will have a blast at this Dragon Boat Festival. Please see website for details: <https://www.dragonboatvictoria.com.au/events/182801/>

**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>



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**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, delving into the nuances of the Greek-Australian identity, with stories of migration, self-determination and unity through difference in a country of meshed diasporas. Please see website for details: <https://www.hellenic.org.au/exhibitions>

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

**Library Cinema - The Whale**

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

Scarred by the profound wounds of grief and guilt, couchbound Charlie, an online writing instructor living with chronic obesity, confined to his claustrophobic and musty apartment, the self-destructive shut-in has a dream of reconciliation with his estranged, angry teenage daughter Ellie.



Do love and forgiveness have the power to wipe away the painful mistakes of a lifetime? Please see website for details: <https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/libraries/whats-on/Pages/library-cinema.aspx>

**FRIDAY 1ST MARCH: 4PM - 11PM**

**Pro Rodeo Maryborough**

**Maryborough Harness Racing Complex - 337 Bucknall St, Carisbrook VIC**

Get your cowboy boots out ready for the M5 Maryborough Pro Rodeo with Rides, Food, Live Music and Rodeo action till late! M5Rodeo Promotions is proud to bring Rodeo back. At 4pm we will be kicking off with our M5 Jnr Pro Rodeo where you will be able to see all the kids in the ring. Then watch the best bucking stock in the country at 7pm.



Please see website for details: <https://www.ticketebo.com.au/m5-rodeo-promotions/m5-maryborough-pro-rodeo-1st-of-march>

**SATURDAY 2ND - SUNDAY 3RD MARCH: 10AM - 4PM**

**Photogravure Workshop**

**Rare Trades Centre - Bradshaw Street, Golden Point VIC**

With internationally-recognised photographer Silvi Glattauer, learn the use of photopolymer plates in combination with digital photography to create photogravures. Day one, prepare your images in Photoshop – Optimising the quality of your original image to suit the photogravure prints, then transfer directly onto the plate with the use of an inkjet printer and UV light process. This is a non-toxic approach without the use of solvents, or acids. Day two, there will be time for experimentation with printmaking techniques and paper options. Please see website for details: <https://www.raretradescentre.com.au/events/>

**SAT 9TH - MON 11TH MARCH: 10AM - 5PM**

**Ballarat Begonia Festival**



**Ballarat Botanical Gardens - Gillies Street, Wendouree VIC**

The 3 day Ballarat Begonia Festival held over the Labour Day long weekend will take place in the iconic Ballarat Botanical Gardens, celebrating the city's rich horticulture heritage and boasting a line-up of demonstrations and talks led by a roster of celebrity presenters and industry experts. Showcasing a signature collection of rare begonias, the Conservatory display will return, playing homage to the redevelopment of the Ballarat Fernery – one of Australia's oldest ferneries. Please see website for details: <https://ballaratbegoniafestival.com/>

**SUNDAY 10 MARCH: 10AM - 4PM**

**Taradale Mineral Springs Festival**

**Taradale Mineral Springs Reserve - Cnr High & Jackson Sts, Taradale VIC**

The Taradale Mineral Springs Festival is on again for 2024! Recognised as one of the best family attractions in Central Victoria, the Festival will be held on Sunday 10th March, 2024. For a \$5 entrance fee (over 15's), visitors can enjoy fine wine, diverse cuisine, arts, crafts, a classic car show, spinning wheel, a huge raffle and entertainment for the whole family. All proceeds go to Taradale Community projects. Please see website for details: <https://www.facebook.com/taradalemineralspringsfestival>

**MONDAY 18TH - THURSDAY 21ST MARCH: 1PM - 5PM**

**Targa Classica**



**RACV Goldfields Creswick - Creswick VIC**

Driven by a passion for classic motor cars, incredible landscapes, Victoria's best driving roads, and amazing food and wine, Australia has added its flavour to the passion inspired by the world's oldest motor races – The iconic classic car events of Italy. Participants have the opportunity to feel part of an event that is built on over 100 years of European classic driving history. Please see website for details: <https://targaclassica.com/>

**FRIDAY 1ST – SUNDAY 24TH MARCH: VARIOUS TIMES**

**PHOTO 2024: International Festival of Photography**

**Various Locations - Melbourne VIC**

The award-winning biennale PHOTO 2024 features 100 free exhibitions and outdoor artworks to explore across seven Festival Precincts in Melbourne, as well as five cities in regional Victoria. Addressing the theme, 'The Future Is Shaped by Those Who Can See It'. PHOTO 2024 is presented in partnership with over 50 museums and galleries including ACMI, State Library Victoria, Museum of Australian Photography, and the Centre for Contemporary Photography.


Please see website for further details: <https://photo.org.au/>





**BENDIGO CAMERA CLUB**  
ABN: 60 256 684 521

**NEWS**



Charing Cross by Mal Brayshaw

**FEBRUARY 2024**

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**WORTH A SHOT**

**SAT 2ND, 16TH & 23RD MARCH: 6:30PM - 11:15PM**

**Blues Train Queenscliff**

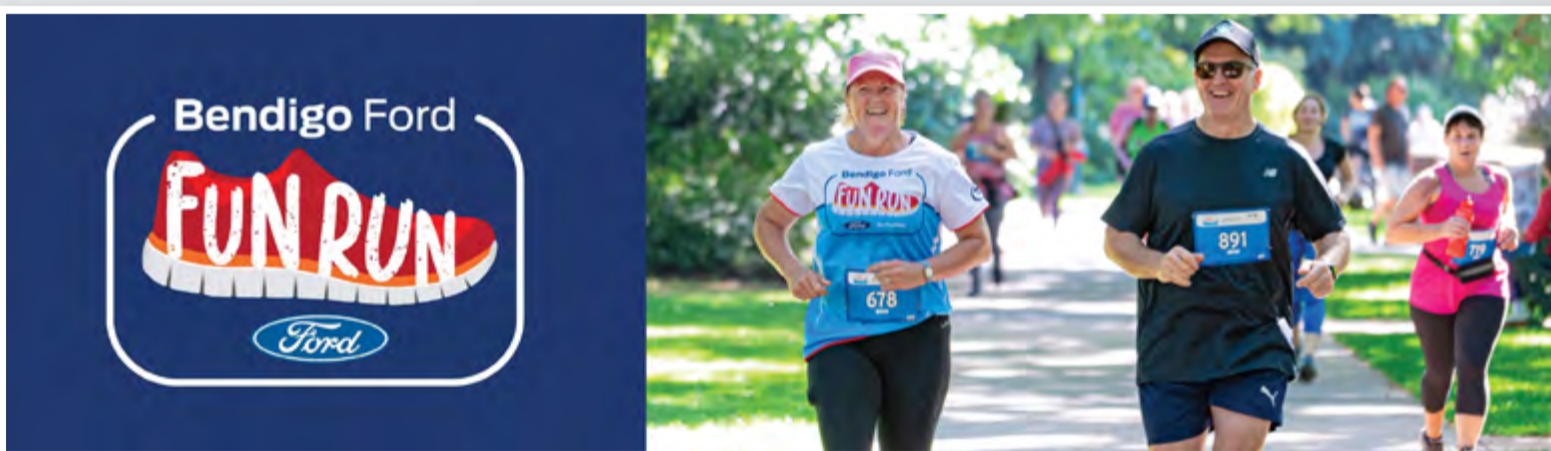


**Queenscliff Railway Station - Cnr Hesse & Symonds St, Queenscliff VIC**

A mini music festival on a moving heritage train, departing from Queenscliff and rolling all the way 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.thebluestrain.com.au/the-experience/>

**SUNDAY 3RD MARCH: 7AM - 12PM**

**The Bendigo Ford Fun Run**



**Start & Finish: Rosalind Park, Bendigo VIC**

The Bendigo Ford Fun Run welcomes all to run, walk or roll for a good cause: a new children's outdoor rehabilitation playspace at Bendigo Health. Events include the 1km Kids Dash, 5km Fun Run / Walk, 10km Fun Run and a Half Marathon (21.1km). Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigofordfunrun.com.au/>

**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 / sacrifice of family members and ancestors of the Golden Rivers Artists. The 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/>

**CURRENT - MONDAY 4TH MARCH: 11AM - 5PM**

**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>

**SATURDAY 9TH - MONDAY 11TH MARCH: 10AM - 5PM**

**Newport Workshops Open Days**



**Newport Railway Workshops - Champion Road North Williamstown VIC Main Gate At Watertower Opposite Cemetery.**

Here's our members chance to capture possible images for our September Competition: Steam/Vintage by joining Steamrail Victoria and experiencing 135 Years of Melbourne's History at Newport Workshops. See what their volunteers do behind the scenes and get up close and personal with the heritage locomotives and carriages. See 30 STEAM LOCOS ON DISPLAY over two sites! Steamrail Victoria's A2 986, D3 639, K153, K183, K190, R711, & R761 in steam! - See them operate up close, view the cab, blow the whistle and meet the volunteer crew. 132 year old Y112 - On display under overhaul. 17 Steam locomotives statically preserved at the Newport Railway Museum, K160 from the Victorian Goldfields Railway and J541 under long-term restoration and R707 from 707 Operations and Steamrail's R700 on display. Please see website for further details: <https://www.steamrail.com.au/opendays>

**FRI 9TH - SAT 10TH MARCH: 9.30AM - 4.30PM**

**Lost Trades Fair**



**Bendigo Racecourse - Heinz St, White Hills VIC**

The Lost & Rare Trades Fair was established as an artisan lead event to provide a single platform for career artisans and traditional tradespeople to share their skills. The Fair showcases more than 150 makers, artisans, tradespeople and crafts men and women. Please see website for further details: <https://www.lostradesfair.com.au/>

**SATURDAY 16TH MARCH: 2PM - 4:30PM**

**Dean Haitani & Jo Jo Smith**



**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 class acts. Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigoregion.com.au/explore-bendigo/events/bendigo-blues-tram>

**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. Please see website for further details: <https://hpforbiddenforestexperience.com/melbourne/>



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**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. 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>

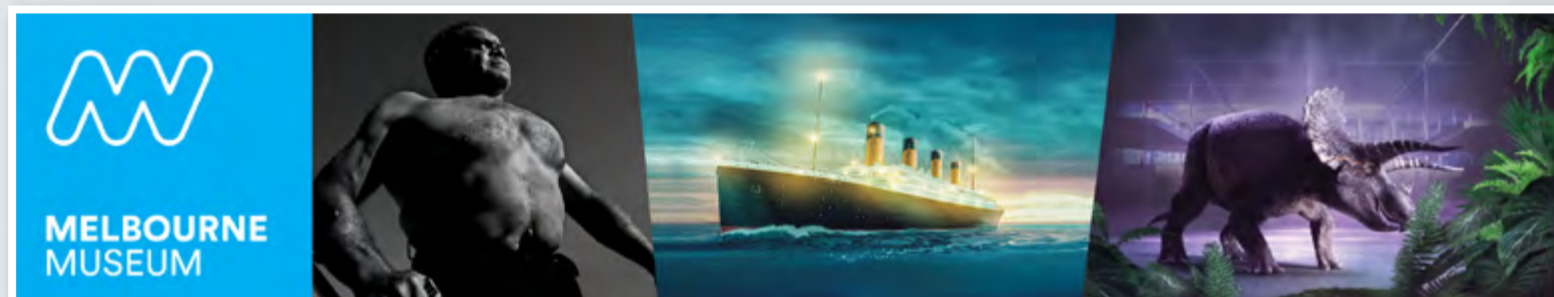
**CURRENT EXHIBITIONS - MELBOURNE**

Melbourne has a vast array of exhibitions offering social commentary, story telling and so many insights to where we've been, where we are and often where we may be heading. As photographers we should always consider the social and human connection to our story telling, even for images that don't contain people. So if you ever find yourself in Melbourne and have the time, try to get to some of these wonderful events, you may just find them inspiring and helpful to your own photography.



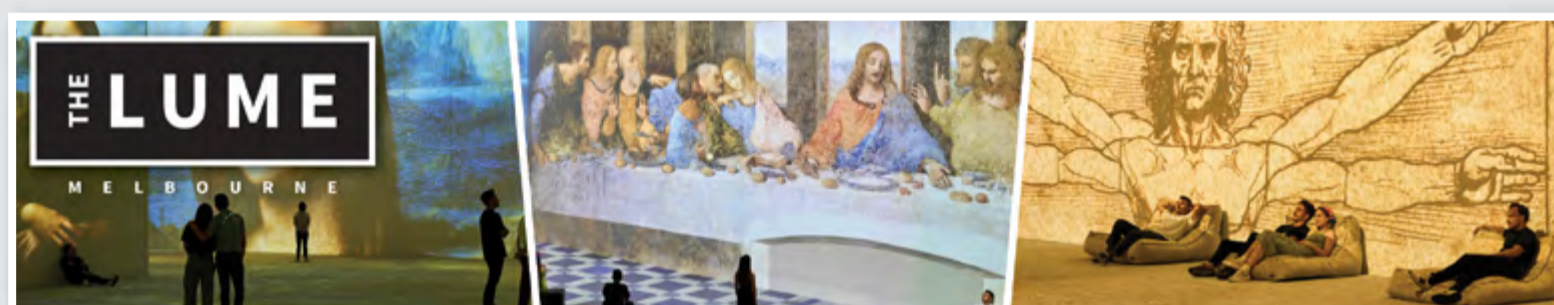
**ACMI - Flinders St, Melbourne VIC**

Open daily 10am - 5pm the ACMI is a key location for Exhibitions, Films, Festivals, Workshops, Talks, often centered around modern forms of the art of modern medias. Well worth a visit for budding and experienced photographers. To check what's currently available please see their website for details: <https://www.acmi.net.au/whats-on>



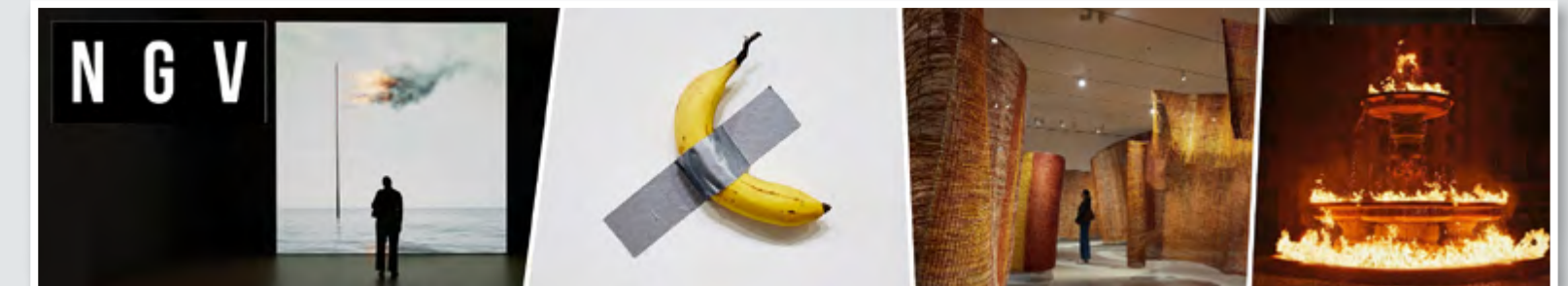
**Melbourne Museum - 11 Nicholson St, Carlton VIC**

Open daily 9am - 5pm the Melbourne Museum offers up a broad depth of subjects, often based in Science, Nature, History and Arts. To check what's currently available please see their website for details: <https://museumsvictoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/whats-on/>



**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. The experience's featured come from a broad range of visual and musical artists, representing large collections of creative visualisations. Coming in March: Leonardo Da Vinci at THE LUME. For current exhibitions and more information, please see their website: <https://www.thelumemelbourne.com/whats-on>



**National Gallery Victoria - 180 St Kilda Road, Melbourne VIC  
The Ian Potter Centre - Fed Square, Melbourne VIC  
The Fox - 77 Southbank Boulevard, Melbourne VIC**

With three locations The NGV has a vast expansive space for a broad range of art exhibitions from past, present and leading into the future. For those who often find themselves visually inspired these galleries clumped so closely together offer a wealth of everchanging inspiration. For current exhibitions and more information, please see their website: <https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/>

**OLD TREASURY BUILDING**



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

With a long history in Victoria, the Old Treasury is widely regarded as one of the finest 19th century buildings in Melbourne, what better place to host exhibitions of vast historic value. Please see website for details: <https://www.oldtreasurybuilding.org.au/whats-on/exhibitions>

**CURRENT - SUN 19TH MAY: 10AM - 5PM**

**Wildlife Photographer of the Year 59**



**National Wool Museum - 26-32 Moorabool Street, Geelong VIC**

The world-renowned exhibition on loan from the Natural History Museum London is on display at the National Wool Museum. See the world through a new lens. Explore the planet's habitats, from sprawling urban metropolises to the deep polar seas, and meet the creatures that rely on these places. Come face to face with species at risk of extinction as well as those we've brought back from the brink. See first-hand how human activities, both good and bad, are shaping the natural world we rely on. Please see website for bookings & details: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wildlife-photographer-of-the-year-exhibition-tickets-748163395857?aff=oddtcreator>





**NEWS**  
**FEBRUARY 2024**

Do you want to be the best at what you do, do you wish to sharpen your skills, refine your edge, and prove to the world you have what it takes.

**SO DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE...**

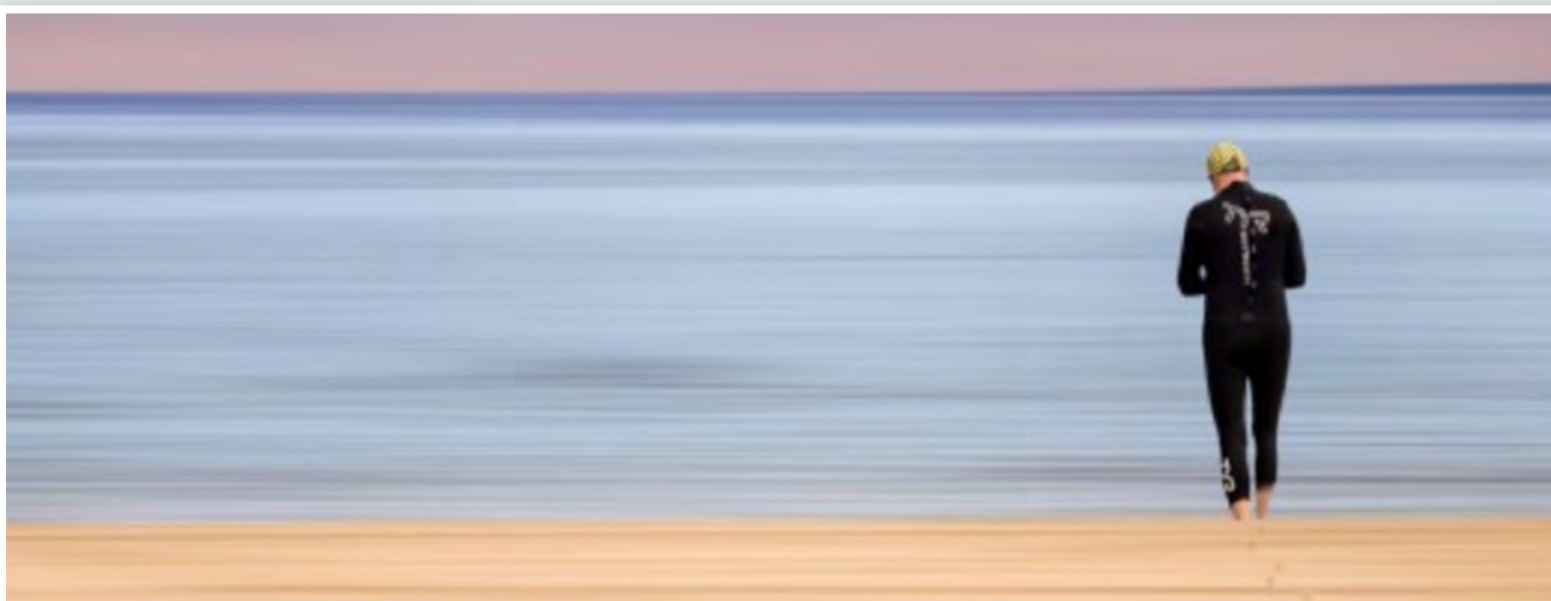
**THE RIGHT STUFF**



Then this is the Section for you. Each month we will endeavour to find you avenues to compete with others and show off your work

**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>

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

**The Landscape Awards**



Last chance to enter this year's The Landscape Awards, presented by SanDisk, looking for Australia's and New Zealand's best landscape photographers. So if you'd like to be part of it you can learn more by visiting the website: [www.thelandscapeawards.com.au](http://www.thelandscapeawards.com.au)

**CLOSING DATE: THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY 2024**

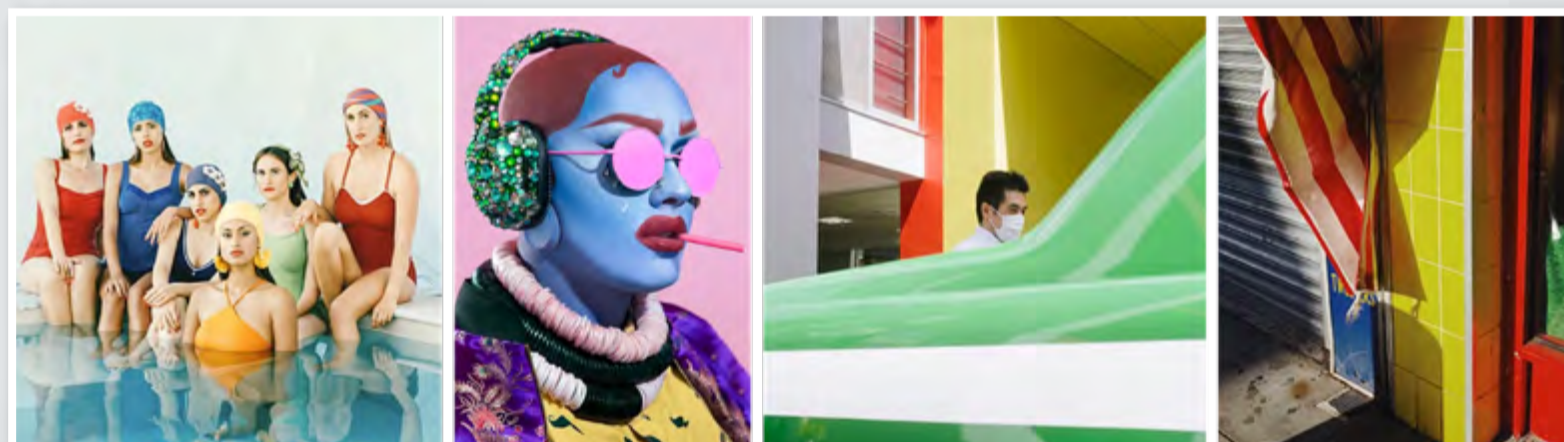
**Life Framer Photo Comp: ANIMAL KINGDOM**



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. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

**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**

**Australia Cup 2024**



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>

**CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 2ND JUNE 2024**

**The Mono Awards**



The Mono Awards are now open for 2024, Closing Date Sunday 2nd June, (Early Bird entry ends Sunday 24th March). There are three categories: People, Places and Animals. You can enter one or more categories as many times as you like. For more information about the categories check the terms and conditions. IMAGE REQUIREMENTS: Images must have been captured on or after 1 January 2022. (Yes, we do check EXIF data.) Images should be in JPEG (.jpg) or PNG (.png) format and at least 2500 pixels on the longest edge. File size must be no larger than 5MB. Do not include watermarks, logos or any other branding on your images. Please see website for more info: <https://www.themonaawards.com.au/>