



MAY 2024

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

COMPETITIONS	ACTIVITIES & EVENTS
Tuesday 11th June July Comp Due - Doors / Windows	Tuesday 21st May Activity Night - Cemetery Shoot
Tuesday 9th July Judging Night - Doors / Windows	Tuesday 11th June Activity Night - Off Camera Lighting

Editor's Desk

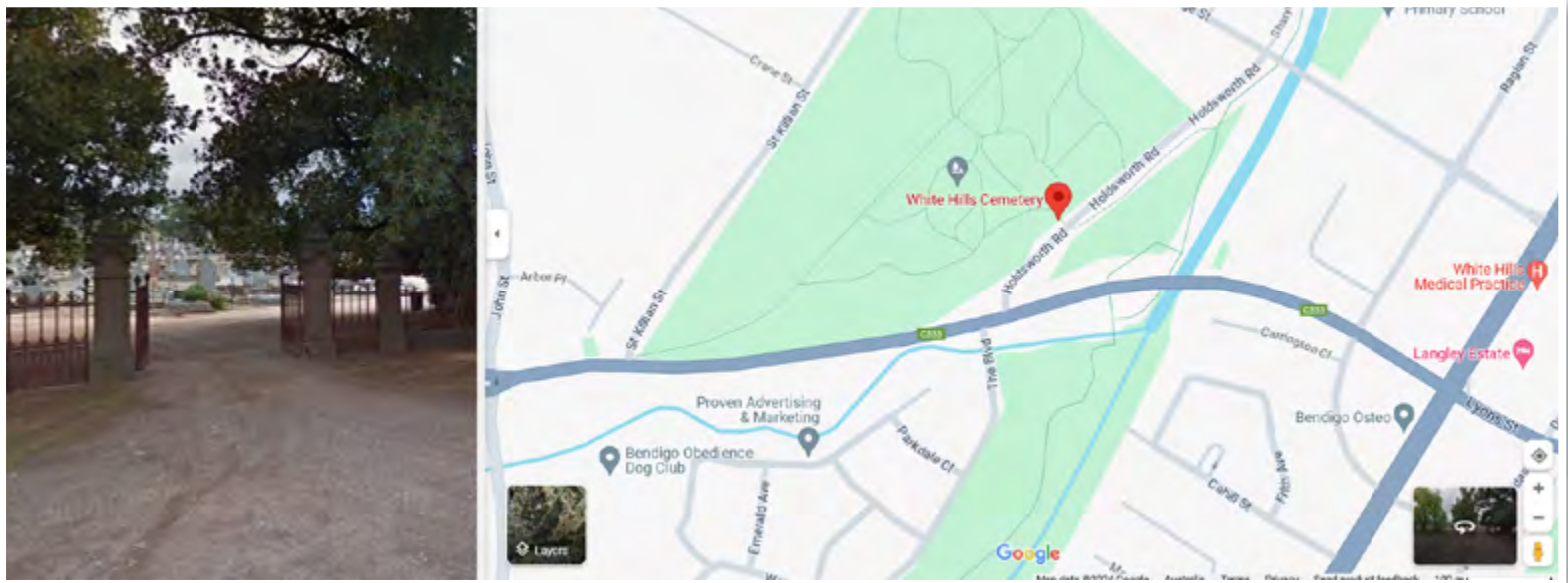
Leading into May and the begining of June brings on the chilling nights and brisk early mornings, with bare trees and misty fogs the atmosphere can be dark and mysterious. Don't let this opportunity pass you by, some great shots can be had here, and we are hoping to inspire some of you with the next activity night at the old White Hills Cemetry for a dark and moody portrait shoot. Also don't forget our Doors and Windows Competition entries are due on the 11th June so there's still time to get those entries in. So get out there and Happy snapping everyone, cheers.

NEW MEMBERS REQUEST

Alexis's mum has asked us not to take photos of Alexis, as she doesn't like having her photo taken at the moment. Alexis is the young girl who wears head phones and is our newest member. We ask that members please respect this request.

TUESDAY 21ST MAY: 7:00PM

Activity Night: Cemetery Night Tour



Old White Hills Cemetery - 261-351 Holdsworth Road, White Hills VIC

Our Cemetery Night Tour & Photo Shoot will begin with members meeting at the Cemetery Gates at 7pm. We have arranged a model who will be dressed in numerous goulsh costumes throughout the night.

DUE TUESDAY 11TH JUNE: 11:45PM

July Competition Photos: Doors / Windows

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

Don't forget to enter your Doors or Windows images into our club competition for July. I'm looking forward to seeing what everyone has come up with, and if you haven't considered it yet there's still time, give it a shot, at this time of year you could capture a dark moody scene, a wet reflective night shot, or maybe a frosty pattern on a window with steam lifting of it as the early morning sun rises.

TUESDAY 11TH JUNE: 7:00PM

Activity Night: Off Camera Lighting

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

Join us to learn and practice our off camera lighting using a whole range of different lights, flash, reflectors and modifiers.

TUESDAY 9TH JULY: 7:00PM

Judging Night: Doors / Windows

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

Join us for the results of our July Competition and see what our members were able to find in their search for interesting doors and windows shots.

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.

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.	

PRESIDENTS MONTHLY MONOLOGUE

My Fellow Members

Almost Halfway through 2024.

It seems like a long time since I last wrote this report. We have had club meetings, outings, social dinner even started an offshoot Audio Visual Group. It's that time of the year when we start looking forward to the planning of next years committee and events. As always it's time for YOU to start thinking about what it is you as the member wants from the camera club. Are you happy with the way things are being done, do you have ideas that you would like to see implemented. It is always good for clubs to have new people on the committee to keep it fresh, so why not take the time to think about and put your hand up for a position. The planning for the next years activities has commenced it is always a challenge time but with the help and offers from members to run events it makes this process a lot easier. Thanks to those members who put their hands up during the year it is much appreciated.

Something Different

The upcoming activity night will be different from what we normally do. We are heading to the White Hills Cemetery for a photographic night that is sure to be full of fun and surprises. Please note that we have organised a model and some special effects. Make sure you bring all the necessary equipment. We will be heading straight to the cemetery meeting at 6.30 for a 7pm start..See you all at the cemetery. As always if you have any questions I can be contacted any time.

Pauline Moore BCC President 0413 968 793

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SECONDHAND EQUIPMENT

Sigma DG 150-500mm F5-6.3 APO HSM lens



Sigma DG 150-500mm F5-6.3 APO HSM lens, Canon Mount, Optical Stabiliser. Bought new and hardly used, Excellent condition.

Price - \$900 ONO.

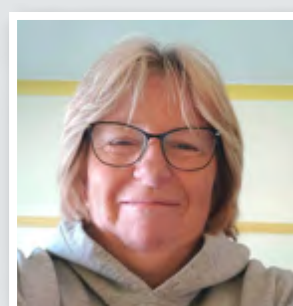
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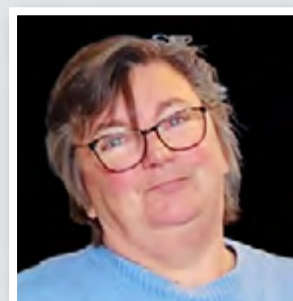

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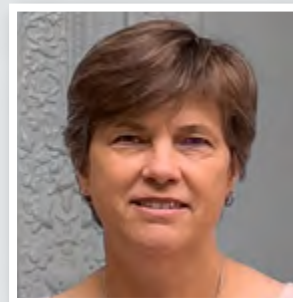
YOUR BCC COMMITTEE 2023 / 2024
 All BCC Members are encouraged to get to know their Committee Members so they can approach them with any enquiries, complaints or suggestions. So we have put together a little photo board below so that new coming members may easily recognise and get to know us better.



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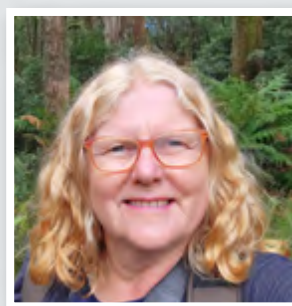
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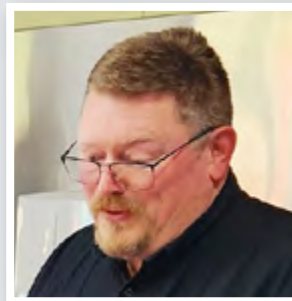
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DO YOU HAVE A POST FOR THE NOTICE BOARD

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 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

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SECONDHAND EQUIPMENT

Nikon lenses



Matt Oliver has couple of lenses for sale if any members are interested, they are also listed on eBay, so if you are please get in touch quickly.

Samyang Fish eye 8mm 1:3.5 for Nikon \$300

Tamron 150-600mm for Nikon with camouflage covering \$700

Please contact Matt Oliver for all enquiries: 0439 456 453

FRIDAY 14TH - SUNDAY 16TH JUNE

VAPS Annual Convention 2024

Federation University Australia Berwick

VAPS holds an annual Convention every year where members of different clubs come together to learn more about photography. Some of the members will be attending again this year. For anyone still interested in attending check out details including registration at their website: <https://www.vaps.org.au/online-registration-2.html>

APS NATIONAL IMAGE CONDITIONS ON AI

MOTION 4812 (passed by MC 16 November 2023)

In acknowledgement of the evolving impact of AI on competition photography, the following Image Conditions are to apply to all APS National Exhibitions, effective 1st January 2024.

1. IMAGE SOURCE

- 1.1. APS Competitions are based on photographs defined as a visible image originating from the action of light or other forms of radiant energy upon a photographic medium or device. For example: a film or digital camera or digital scanner.
- 1.2. Digital or print images submitted must have a photographic origin.
- 1.3. Images created solely within a computer environment are not eligible for APS Competitions.

2. IMAGE AUTHORSHIP

- 2.1. The author is defined as the original maker of the first image/s as per 1.1 and 1.2.
- 2.2. Entrants must be the author of any image/s and all parts thereof submitted into an APS Competition.
- 2.3. All parts of the image or images must have been 'photographed' by the author.

3. POST-PRODUCTION

- 3.1. Images must comply with any image or post-production restrictions or rules specified in any APS Competition.
- 3.2. Post-production processing must be under the direct control of the photographer, whether that processing is manual such as cloning, painting, dodging, etc or automated such as using filters or plugins.
- 3.3. 'Content-aware Fill' or similar modification that is entirely based on pixels in the original image/s and which does not extend the image beyond its original boundaries is 'acceptable'.
- 3.4. 'Generative Fill' or other processes that use content generated by software from written prompts or developed from the work of others is 'not acceptable'.

Q&A EXAMPLES:

Can I still create Composite Images

Yes, the conditions around creating a composite image remain unchanged. For example:

- Replacement skies can be used provided the replacement sky is an image taken by the entrant
- An image can have many elements (boats, buildings, people, water, skies,) from many different images combined into one image using manual processing such as cloning, painting, dodging, etc., or automated such as using filters or plugins provided each element was taken by the entrant (photographer).

Can I expand the physical size of my image by adding to the top, bottom or side of my image (ie: adding extra sky to the top, or grass to the bottom)?

- Allowable, provided the expansion is using existing elements of your image and complies with 3.1.

Can I use Generative Fill, or similar, to create or remove an object (person, flora or fauna, building, scenery effect etc) in my image?

- This is not allowable if you use content generated by software from written prompts or developed from the work of others. For example:
 - > Removing an 'unnecessary' tree that is replaced with existing associated imagery is allowable.
 - > Removing a person and replacing them with a 'dog on a lead' is not allowable.
 - > Removing the background of an existing bush scene and using text asking for a 'beach background scene' to be added is not allowable.
 - > Using generative fill to 'add a waterfall' to a scene where the waterfall is not part of an image taken by the photographer is not allowable.
 - > Turning a summer scene into a winter scene that introduces snow that was not part of an image taken by the photographer is not allowable.

It is acknowledged that this is an area of rapid change and perhaps the most contentious Condition. If you are uncertain ask yourself does my image being submitted meet in particular Conditions 1.2, 2.2 and 3.2.


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2ND OR 3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH: 5PM START

Sidewalk Astronomy

Discovery Science & Technology Centre - Bendigo VIC

Discovery Science and Technology Centre have paired up with The Bendigo Astronomical Society Victoria (ASV) to bring an all-weather sidewalk astronomy experience. No longer are we at the mercy of cumulus formations our planetarium will let you can see the planets and constellations digitally before heading out to the Astronomical team to see them up close and personal through some incredible telescopes. Sidewalk Astronomy is the Friday closest to the first quarter of the moon. If you just wish to be part of the Sidewalk Astronomy experience that part is totally free! Friday: 14 June, 12 July, 16 Aug, 13 Sept, 11 Oct, 8 Nov, 13 Dec. Please see website for details & bookings: <https://ecom.roller.app/discovery/sidewalkastronomy/en/products?date=2024-05-11>

FRIDAY 17TH - SUNDAY 26TH MAY: VARIOUS TIMES

Ballarat Heritage Festival



Various Locations - City of Ballarat VIC

Ballarat's award-winning Heritage Festival is back. The 10-day celebration features an assortment of new additions set to captivate festivalgoers. Among the highlights of this year's program is the vibrant performance of Parrwang Lifts the Sky, making its debut on Wadawurrung Country. Based on an original Wadawurrung creation story, this all-ages opera tells the story of how Parrwang the magpie helped lift the blanket of darkness on the land to create the first dawn. Please see website for further details: <https://ballaratheritagefestival.com.au/>

FRI 17TH MAY - SAT 8TH JUNE: VARIOUS TIMES

Silvers Circus



Morshed Park - 910 Pleasant Street South, Ballarat Central VIC

Prepare to enter a world of entertainment where your imagination will soar like never before, in this completely re-imagined modern circus spectacular. Silvers has been a household name since the 70s and is back to entertain. Featured in this 100-minute spectacular you can expect to see performances presented by elite artists from around the globe. Motorbikes, comedy, daring aerialists and plenty more top tier entertainment. Perfect for all ages. Whether its date-night, a family affair or the grandparents want to spoil the little children, Silvers Circus is the entertainment destination for you. Please see the website for more details: <https://www.silverscircus.com.au/>

SUNDAYS MOST OF THE YEAR: VARIOUS TIMES

Swan Bay Express Train Rides



Queenscliff Station - Bellarine Railway, 20 Symonds St, Queenscliff VIC

Travel across the Bellarine along Swan Bay and through remnant bushland. Sit back in the comfortable leather seats as the train traverses rural farmland on its way to Queenscliff and skirts the foreshore around Swan Bay during the eight-kilometre trip. Trains run on most Sundays year-round and on selected public holidays. Family activities and specials are offered during the Victorian school holidays. Private carriage hire is offered whenever the service is running and is ideal for gatherings of 20 or more, bookings are essential. On running days trips will depart at 11:00am, 12:00pm and 2:15pm. Please note that seats may be limited and bookings are recommended to avoid disappointment. Please see website for further details: <https://bellarinerailway.com.au/heritage-train-rides/>

SUNDAY 19TH MAY: 10AM - 4PM

Festival@Boyd Southbank



Boyd Park, Southbank Library at Boyd - 207 City Rd, Southbank VIC

Experience the vibrancy of Southbank like never before at Festival at Boyd (FAB), where community connections thrive. With a mission to foster a sense of belonging and celebrate the city's multicultural community, FAB Southbank promises an inclusive experience filled with activities, music, dance and delectable cuisine. Browse through 30 preloved and homemade craft stalls, snack on international cuisines from the food vendors, and groove to the beats from the stage featuring a DJ, local band, multicultural dance performances and workshops. Please see website for further details: <https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/libraries/whats-on/Pages/fab-southbank.aspx>

CURRENT - SUN 19TH MAY: 10AM - 4PM

Australian Heritage Fest - Railway Station Tours



Maryborough Railway Station - 27 Station Street, Maryborough VIC

Maryborough Railway Station is truly magnificent! Why was it built in this small Victorian country town? Join our one hour guided tour to explore the myths and stories surrounding the origins of the station. Afterwards experience the grandeur and visit the former First-Class dining room, now a cafe, for morning, lunch or afternoon tea.

Sunday 21 & 28 April; 5, 12 & 19 May (1pm-2pm) Features: 1pm Station Tour, followed by 2pm Afternoon Tea (includes hot or cold non-alcoholic beverage with scones, jam and cream at the Station Cafe Restaurant Bar) **Bookings:** Visitor Information Centre - 03 5460 4511



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The Grainlander - Mallee Silo Art Trail



Southern Cross Station, Melbourne VIC

Travel behind the heritage diesel fleet to Ballarat, to be joined with steam locomotive R707 "City of Melbourne". Step back in time onboard The Grainlander, departing Southern Cross Station 8:45pm. Arriving shortly before midnight where steam locomotive R707, the "City of Melbourne" will be coupled to The early morning sees us depart Ballarat and into the night under steam, passing Maryborough and crossing the Ironbark forests of the Victorian Goldfields. At 6:55am, the Grainlander will pull into Wycheproof for a short break, then R707 will head up the Main Street of Wycheproof and to Sea Lake - the end of the line! As the train makes it's way back to Wycheproof, the passengers board a coach to tour the region's silo art ending back at Wycheproof for a quintessential country pub dinner followed by a night of restful sleep. At 10:00am, the Grainlander will set off south as the Mallee melts into the Ironbark forest and undulating countryside of the Goldfields, making a short stop at the historic station in Maryborough to service the locomotive. The Grainlander will steam through Ballarat and over the ranges toward Melbourne arrive and terminate at 6.05pm.

Please see website for details: <https://www.slowrailjourneys.com.au/post/6-8-september-the-grainlander-steam-to-sea-lake-and-the-spectacular-mallee-silo-art-trail>

FRIDAY 24 MAY: 6PM - 7:30PM

Cactus Stargazing in the Desert



Cactus Country - 4986 Murray Valley Hwy, Strathmerton VIC

Blue Mountains Stargazing is thrilled to be back to the Australia's largest cactus garden, Cactus Country, 3 hours from Melbourne. Embark on a captivating stargazing tour led by an Astrophysicist with exploration of the Southern Sky - planets, galaxies, stars, constellations and galaxies - while soaking up the garden views surrounded by thousands of cacti and succulents in a 12-acre desert oasis. Please see website for further details: <https://www.facebook.com/events/423205490197035/>

SATURDAYS: 5:30PM - 7PM & 8PM - 9:30PM



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. Every Saturday: 25th May: Sean Orr. Please see website for details: <https://www.bendigotramways.com/tours/groove-tram>

SAT 25TH - SUN 26TH MAY: 8:45AM - 5:08PM

Ballarat Steam Train Rides



Ballarat Railway Station - Lydiard Street North, Soldiers Hill VIC

Steamrail Victoria invites you to ride historical steam shuttles at Ballarat featuring two heritage steam locomotives as part of the Ballarat Heritage Festival. Wave to the Ballarat locals and the lineside photographers while we take you back in time aboard The Vintage Train. Our shuttle trips run 18km to the tiny country town of Lal Lal. Stopping just out of town, the train will then return you to Ballarat Station, passing high speed V/Line trains on the approach to Ballarat. One way trains will also be operating between Melbourne and Ballarat. Experience regional travel, 1920's style. Please see website for details: <https://www.steamrail.com.au/tours>

SATURDAY 1ST JUNE: 6PM - 12AM

White Night Ballarat



Lydiard Street North, Ballarat Central VIC

White Night will return to the regional city of Ballarat on Saturday 1 June, from 6:00pm to 12:00am. Local, interstate and international artists, musicians and performers will weave a spell over the city in a celebration of art, culture and creativity. Under the artistic direction of Andrew Walsh AM, White Night Ballarat invites visitors and locals to make their journey around Ballarat's iconic buildings, cultural institutions and streets, in celebration of reclaiming and reimagining the city through projection, installations, performance and music. Please see website for further details: <https://whitenight.com.au/ballarat/>


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SATURDAY 1ST - SUNDAY 2ND JUNE: 9AM - 4PM
Donut Festival

C & D Shed (Peel Street) Queen Vic Market - Queen St, Melbourne VIC

You do not want to miss out on Melbourne's favourite Donut Festival at Queen Victoria Market. This free two-day festival showcases some of Melbourne's top donut creators and bakers. Travel the world one donut at a time. Come and enjoy an array of delectable treats, from Greek loukoumades to Spanish churros, and original and glazed donuts. Please see website for details: <https://qvm.com.au/whatson/donut-festival/>

SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH: 2PM - 4:30PM

Central Deborah Goldmine (76 Violet Street), Bendigo VIC

On the second Saturday of every month: June 8th, July 13th, August 10th, September 14th, October 12th, November 9th 2024, you can enjoy the sights of Bendigo's architecturally stunning CBD from on board the sensationally restored vintage Class tram 610, while being serenaded. Please see website for details: <https://www.bendigoregion.com.au/explore-bendigo/events/bendigo-blues-tram>

SATURDAY 1ST - SUNDAY 16TH JUNE: 6PM - 12AM
RISING FESTIVAL 2024

Various Locations, Melbourne VIC

For its 2024 return, RISING is a festival of new art, music, and performance, in the heart of Naarm/Melbourne. Please see website for further details: <https://2024.rising.melbourne/program>

FRI 7TH - 9TH JUNE: VARIOUS TIMES
Castlemaine Jazz Festival

Various Locations - Castlemaine VIC

The Castlemaine Jazz Festival runs over the Kings Birthday long weekend in June. Now in it's 9th year, this festival is three days of music, thirty-nine bands and hundreds of musicians in six venues across Castlemaine. Please see website for details: <https://www.castlemainejazzfestival.com.au/>

SUNDAY 9TH JUNE: 8AM - 4PM
Mid State Mopars 2024

Bendigo Town Hall Precinct - Bendigo VIC

Organised by the Central Victorian Chrysler Club, These Chrysler Enthusiasts have created the best car show in Central Victoria held every year on the Queens Birthday long weekend in June. The display featuring 100 plus 'classics' will be held in the Bendigo Town Hall Precinct. Please see website for further details: <https://www.chryslerclubvic.org.au/events-source/midstate-mopars-2024>

CURRENT - SUNDAY 9TH JUNE: 6PM - 11PM
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/>

FRI 14TH - MON 24TH JUNE: 11AM - 5PM
The Robots are Coming! Goldfields Time Capsule

Dudley House - 60 View Street, Bendigo VIC

Goldfields Time Capsule is a group exhibition of paintings, sculptures, ceramic, and digital multimedia works from artists in the Goldfields region responding to the advent of Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and their impact on the creative and local communities. At the conclusion of the show, a digital time capsule of the works will be sealed and reopened in 12 years time. Dudley House will be open 11am-5pm daily, Exhibition opens 1pm on Friday 14th and closes at 12pm on Monday 24th June, 2024. Please see website for details: <https://therobotsarecoming.org/>

SUNDAY 16TH JUNE: 11AM - 2PM
Sunday Sweet
Session
The Capital Theatre - View Street, Bendigo VIC

The Sunday Sweet Session returns for 2024 and it's going to be extra SWEET! With twelve sweet sisters and one VERY special guest - this is one not to be missed! No ticketing, this is a FREE event.

Follow their Facebook event for all the latest updates: <https://www.facebook.com/events/392423826872109/>





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SATURDAY 22ND JUNE: 7:00PM - 11:00PM

Murder on the Orient Express



Platform 3 - Castlemaine Railway Station VIC

Departing Castlemaine Railway Station from Platform 3 at 7.00pm and Arriving back at Castlemaine at 11.00pm, Castlemaine's own version of the "Orient Express" will journey through the night to Maldon and return as period dressed passengers enjoy the ultimate classic "whodunit" movie. Please see website for further details: <https://www.vgr.com.au/murder-on-the-orient-express>

THURSDAY 27TH JUNE: 5.30PM - 7PM

Decluttering Your Digital Photos

Narrm Ngarrgu Library - 141 Therry St, Melbourne VIC

If you are drowning in digital photos and feeling overwhelmed, professional photo organiser Chantal Imbach will guide you through decluttering, introduce you to the five golden rules of organising photos and answer all your questions on photo management. Please see website for details: <https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/libraries/whats-on/Pages/decluttering-your-digital-photos.aspx>

FRI 28TH JUNE - SUN 21ST JULY: 6PM - 8:20PM

Puffing Billy - Train of Lights



Lakeside Station - Emerald Lake Park, Emerald VIC

Departing 6pm daily from Lakeside Station, the Train of Lights will embark on a two-and-a-half-hour return journey that chugs along the historic narrow-gauge track to Gembrook. This stunning evening experience will come to life with sparkling lights, hypnotic patterns, and vivid colours that dance across the open rolling hills of the Gembrook countryside. Please see website for details: <https://puffingbilly.com.au/whats-on/>

FRI 28TH JUNE - SUN 21ST JULY: VARIOUS TIMES

Winter Wonderlights



Sovereign Hill - Bradshaw Street, Ballarat VIC

Experience the sound, lights and wintry delights at Sovereign Hill's Winter Wonderlights. With a dazzling light show, full theatre program, hands-on kids' activities and more, Sovereign Hill is delivering a Christmas in July like no other. Please see website for details: <https://www.sovereignhill.com.au/events/winter-wonderlights/>

FRIDAY 28TH JUNE - SUNDAY 14TH JULY

Electric Wonderland



Rosalind Park - Bendigo VIC

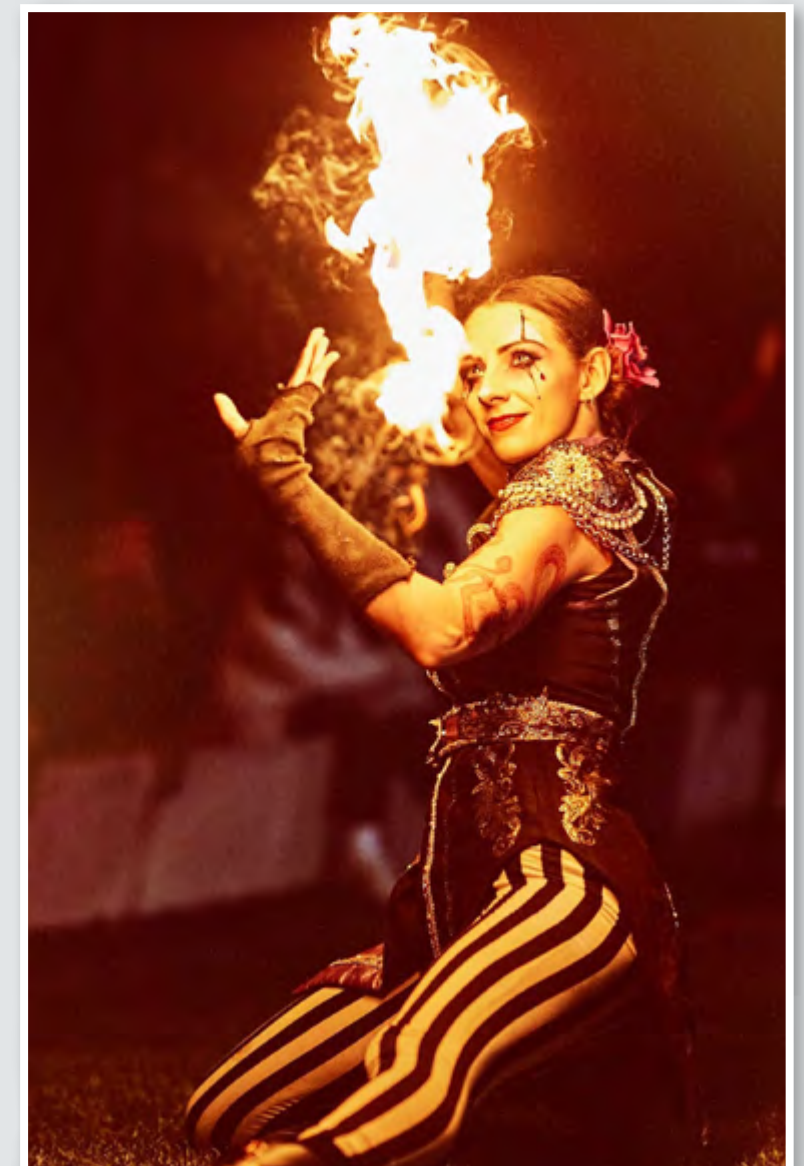
Electric Wonderland will be returning to Bendigo's historic Rosalind Park for the 2024 winter school holidays. An enchanting sound and light show, Electric Wonderland delivers interactive exhibits, immersive light installations and magical projections using the latest in audio visual technology. Celebrate the Lunar Year of the Dragon, gastronomy, interactive pathways, laser lights, thousands and thousands of fairy lights, and a 40m replica of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Electric Wonderland will be open daily, Sunday to Thursday 6pm to 9pm, and Friday and Saturday 6pm to 10pm. Please see website for further details: <https://www.electricwonderland.com.au/>

FRIDAY 28TH - SUNDAY 30TH JUNE: 5PM - 10PM

Firelight Festival

Harbour Esplanade - Docklands VIC

Over three fiery nights, Melbourne's epic winter festival, Firelight, takes over Docklands from 28 – 30 June with fire, live music, pop-up foodie feasts and more. Entry is free! This year's event features plenty of fire pits and drums, flame jets, fire sculptures, and arches. Enjoy everything from dazzling fire performers and African drumming, to live music and storytelling across sites at NewQuay Promenade, Victoria Promenade, Harbour Esplanade. Melbourne's best wintry food and drink offerings will also be there to warm your belly.



With a range of tasty treats including dumplings, smoked meats, paella, hot chocolate and churros, there's something for every foodie. Please see website for details: <https://firelight.melbourne.vic.gov.au/>



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SATURDAY 6TH JULY: 6PM - 8PM

Enlighten



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

Introducing Enlighten, an immersive light experience that transforms our Peace Park into a unique lightscape. Light displays that shimmer on the Great Stupa, spectacular light sculptures throughout the garden, roaming performers and delicious food. Our next Enlighten celebrates His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Birthday on Saturday 6 July - The Great Stupa is celebrating His Holiness's 89th birthday with illumination, offerings, live music, delicious food and entertainment for the whole family. Enlighten is another opportunity to view the Great Stupa after dark which always makes for a great opportunity to capture some great low light, creative and colourful images. Please see website for further details: <https://stupa.org.au/enlighten/>

SATURDAY 27TH JULY: 7:00PM - 11:00PM

Murder on the Orient Express

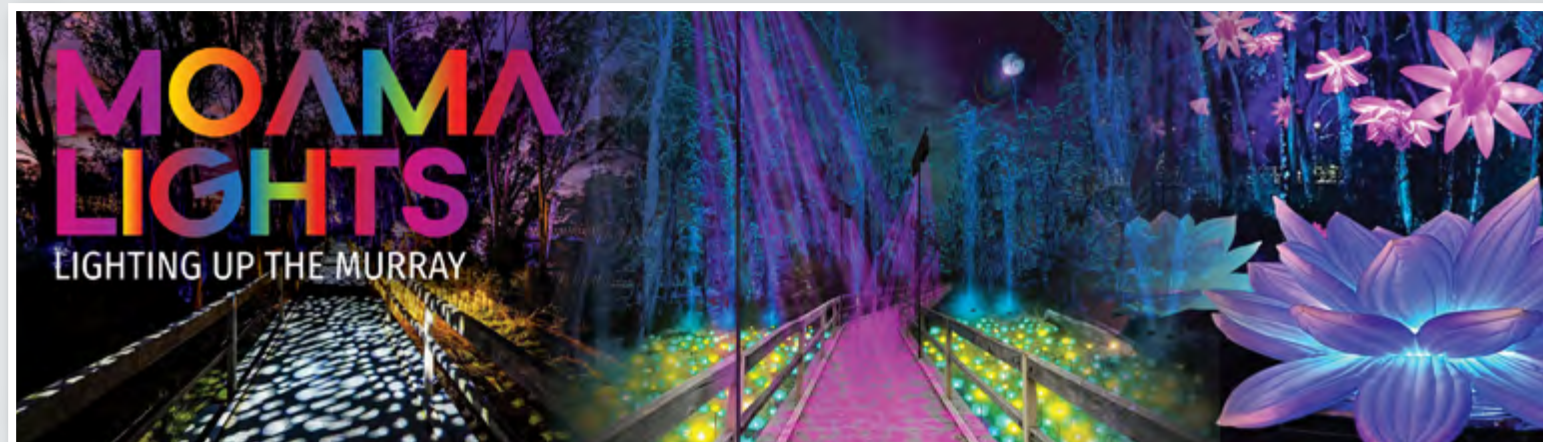


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FRIDAY 5TH - SUNDAY 28TH JULY:

Moama Winter Lights Festival



Horseshoe Lagoon - Moama VIC

Crafted by the renowned design studio Mandylights, this year's theme 'Enchanted Nights: A Celebration of Light' honors the captivating beauty of Horseshoe Lagoon. Nestled amidst the wintry beauty of Horseshoe Lagoon, this year's event transforms the natural splendor into a mesmerizing spectacle as twilight descends. Inspired by Banjo Paterson's evocative poem "The Daylight is Dying," the show will capture elements of nature that come to life when the sun sets allowing the vibrant night-time ecosystem of the Lagoon to shine through. From illuminated ripples dancing on the water's surface to the projection of children's artworks onto the landscape, every element showcases tales of the bushland's mysteries. Wander at your leisure along the illuminated path, meandering towards the historic Moama Wharf enveloped by majestic river redgums, while the tranquil sounds of the lagoon serenade you. Please see website for details: <https://www.visitthemurray.com.au/places-to-go/central/rivercountry/things-to-do/moama-lights-222>

FRI 19TH - SUN 21ST & FRI 26TH - SUN 28TH JULY

The Riverlander - Moama Winter Lights Festival



Southern Cross Station - Melbourne VIC

Travel behind steam locomotive R707 and our fleet of heritage diesel locomotives as the Riverlander travels north to Deniliquin and the Moama Winter Lights Festival. At 10:10 pm The Riverlander will depart Melbourne toward Bendigo, where a stop will be made during the night to service the locomotive. In Bendigo R707 will be detached, and the rest of the train hauled by heritage diesels will continue north to Deniliquin.

Sunday 20th July - After a restful night's sleep in Echuca, our train will depart and head south to Bendigo for the Goldfields Explorer Off-Train Experience, visiting the best of this spectacular region. Departing Bendigo and on to Castlemaine for the final afternoon aboard as the Riverlander steams through Woodend and over the ranges toward Melbourne. After a spectacular view of Melbourne descending the range we speed through the suburbs into Melbourne, Southern Cross where our train will arrive and terminate at 7.01 pm. Please see website for further details: [www](http://www.vgr.com.au)

SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST: 7:00PM - 11:00PM

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MAY 2024

Whether you struggle to come up with ideas of what to shoot next, or you're a little bored with the stuff you usually shoot, then maybe these ideas might just be

WORTH A SHOT

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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. So when you're in Melbourne, try to see some of these events, you may just find inspiration.



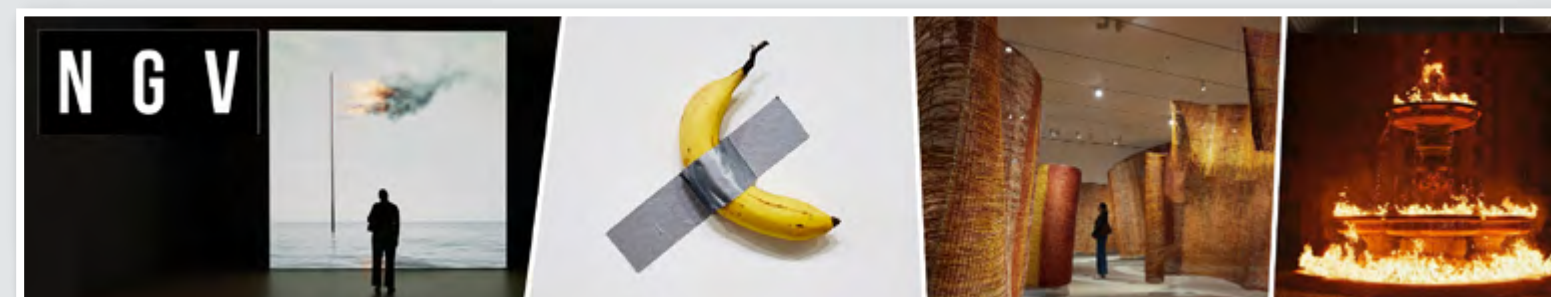
MCEC - 1 Convention Place, South Wharf, Melbourne VIC

Home to the LUME, the Melbourne Convention Exhibition Centre (MCEC) is often home for a wide range of exhibits and shows, so keep an eye open for what's on here, it might just strike an interest. Please see website for details: <https://www.mcec.com.au/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. 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

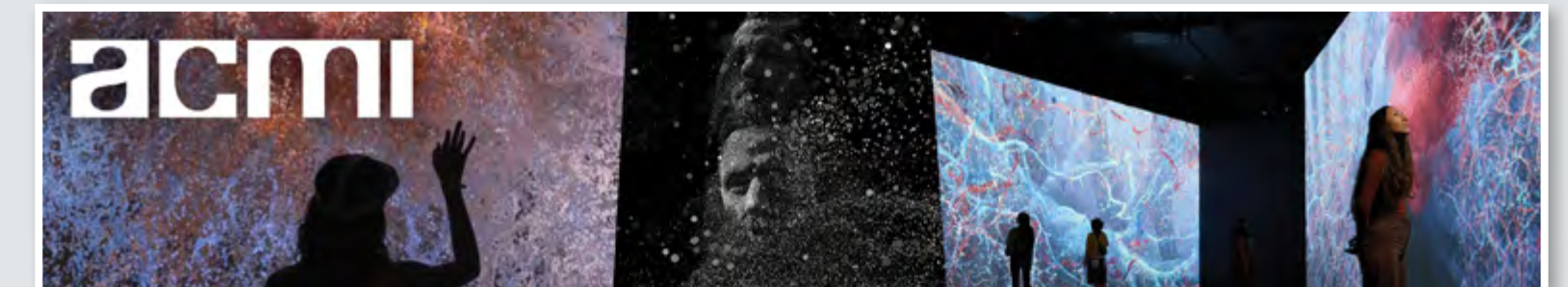
With three locations The NGV has a vast expansive space for a broad range of art exhibitions from past, present and leading into the future. For those who often find themselves visually inspired these galleries clumped so closely together offer a wealth of inspiration. For more information, please see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

OLD TREASURY BUILDING



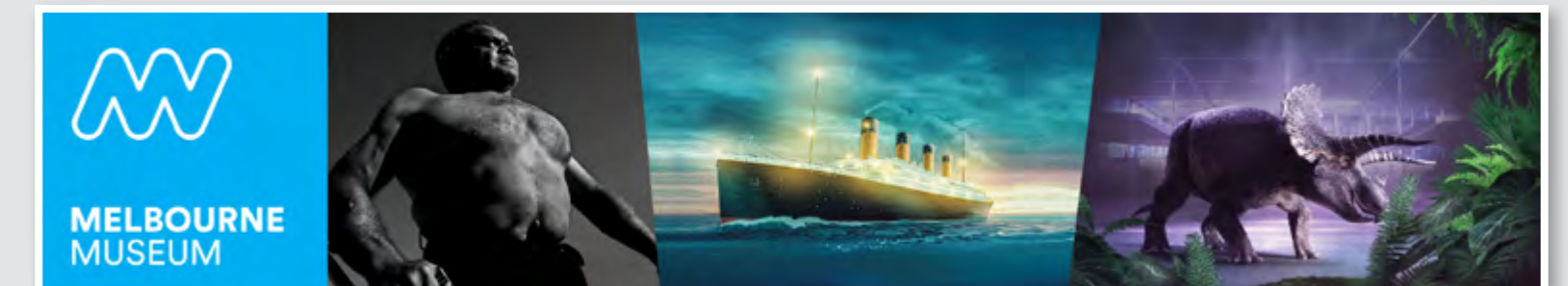
Old Treasury Building - 20 Spring St, East Melbourne VIC

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>



ACMI - Flinders St, Melbourne VIC

Open daily 10am - 5pm the ACMI is a key location for Exhibitions, Films, Festivals, Workshops, Talks, often centred around modern forms of the art of modern media. 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://museums.victoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/whats-on/>

CURRENT - 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. Please see website for details: <https://stevemccurryicons.com/melbourne/#tickets>

CURRENT - SUN 14TH JULY: 10AM - 5PM

Paris: Impressions of Life 1880 - 1925

Bendigo Art Gallery - 42 View Street, Bendigo VIC

Exclusive to Bendigo Art Gallery, Paris: Impressions of Life 1880 - 1925 takes visitors on a journey through the streets of historic Paris.

Please see website for further details: <https://www.bendigoartgallery.com.au/bendigo-art-gallery>





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Charing Cross by Mal Brayshaw ©

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

Wildlife Photographer of the Year 59



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

Explore the planet's habitats, from sprawling urban metropolises to the deep polar seas, and meet the creatures that rely on these places. Please see website for bookings & details: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wildlife-photographer-of-the-year-exhibition-tickets-748163395857?aff=oddtcreator>

CURRENT - SAT 25TH MAY: 10AM - 4PM

Anzac Days Exhibition



Magnet Galleries Melbourne - SC G19 Wharf St, Docklands VIC

A collection of photographs by Collin Abbott of Anzac Day parades in Melbourne during the 1970s. Abbott's interest was to record the last of the World War I diggers, as well as their families and friends, for whom the parade was a way of commemorating those who served and fell. Please see website for further details: <https://magnet.org.au/>

CURRENT - WEDNESDAY 29TH MAY: 24 HOURS

Sara Nash: DeSign (Exhibition)

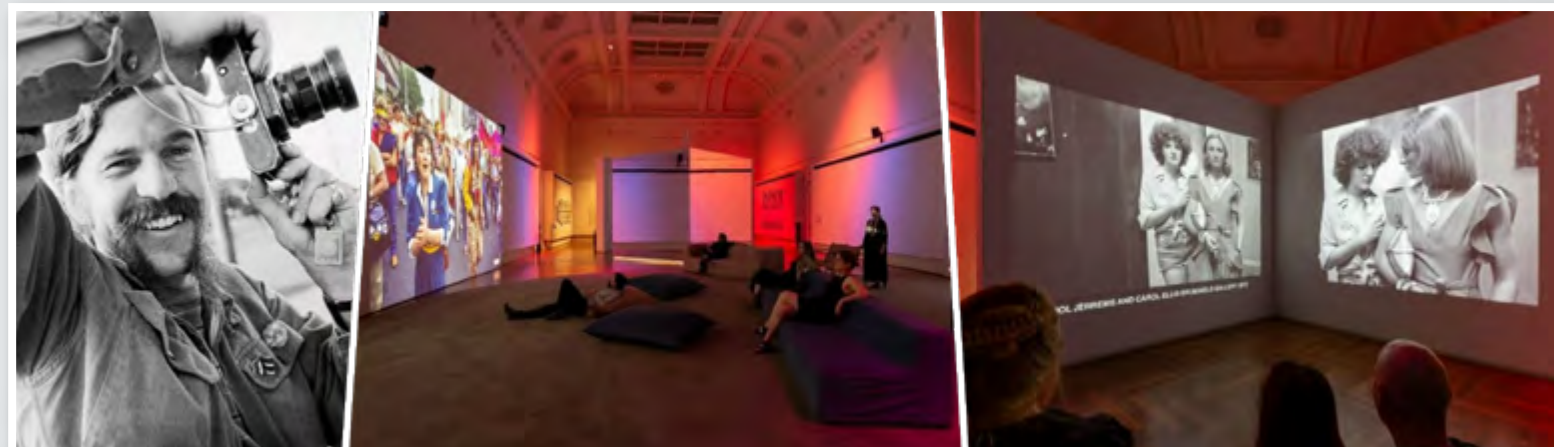


Unicorn Lane - Ballarat Central VIC

As a street photographer Sara is forever curious looking for unicorns hidden in places often devoid of human existence. "I unearth the beauty of the discarded, the abandoned, the everyday – the forgotten places of Ballarat and surrounds. By bringing the obscure to life, I convey familiarity and comfort in the ordinary." - Sara Nash. This series titled "DeSign" captures the essence of the mundane, breathtaking moments that may be lacking, yet still radiates beauty through simplicity.

CURRENT - SAT 28TH JAN 2025: 10:00AM - 6:00PM

Melbourne Out Loud: . . . Rennie Ellis



State Library Victoria - 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne VIC

If there was a photographer to take Melbourne's portrait, it was Rennie Ellis. He roamed: St Kilda Beach, the MCG, Swanston Street, Sidney Myer Music Bowl. He met superstars: Tina Turner, Mick Jagger, Grace Jones. He stood with crowds on: Melbourne Cup, the AFL Grand Final, the Boxing Day Test. Melbourne Out Loud is a collection of iconic, unseen everyday photographs from one of our greatest chroniclers. Please see website for details: <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/melbourne-out-loud>

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CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 2ND JUNE 2024

The Mono Awards



The Mono Awards are now open for 2024, Closing Date Sunday 2nd June. There are three categories: People, Places and Animals. You can enter one or more categories as many times as you like. Please see website for Entry requirements and more info: <https://www.themonoawards.com.au/>



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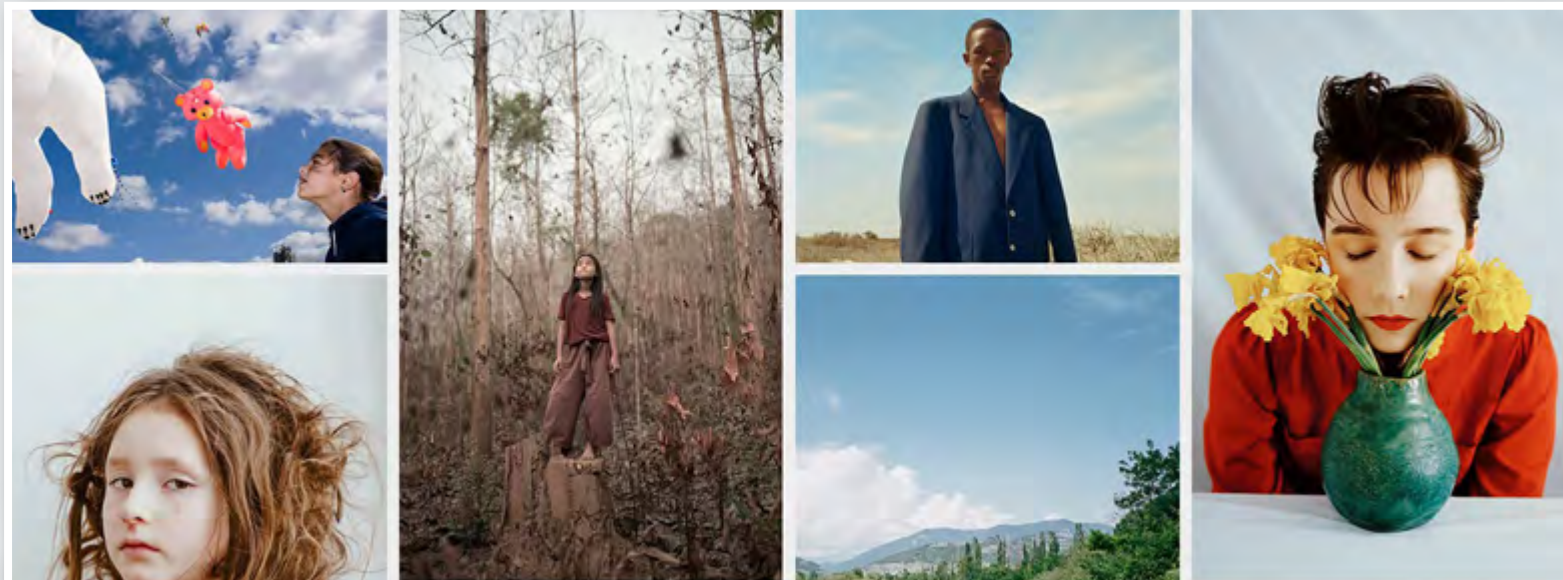
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CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY 2024

Life Framer Photo Comp: YOUTH



We don't arrive fully formed. From birth to toddler to child, teen and pre-adult – life is an exploration and we're moulded in our youth. Dreams, fears, freedom, experimentation, play... The theme is as broad as you want it to be. The only limitation is to capture a scene or a detail that shows habits, experiences or behavior of the young. Portraiture, studio, candid, conceptual, documentary, street. All genres welcome. Show us youthhood, from any perspective! Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY 2024

Australia Cup



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 choose 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>

ENTRIES CLOSE – MIDNIGHT 12TH JUNE 2024

Mullins Conceptual Photography Prize

The Mullins Conceptual Photographic Prize (MCP) is a very special photographic Prize, providing the opportunity for Conceptual photographers to be recognised as the best in Australia – and to win significant prize money. The Australian Photographic Society (APS) is pleased to announce the sponsors of the 2024 MCP are once again Bengalla Mining Company, MACH Energy, Ilford and Malabar. Please see website for details: <https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/mcpp>

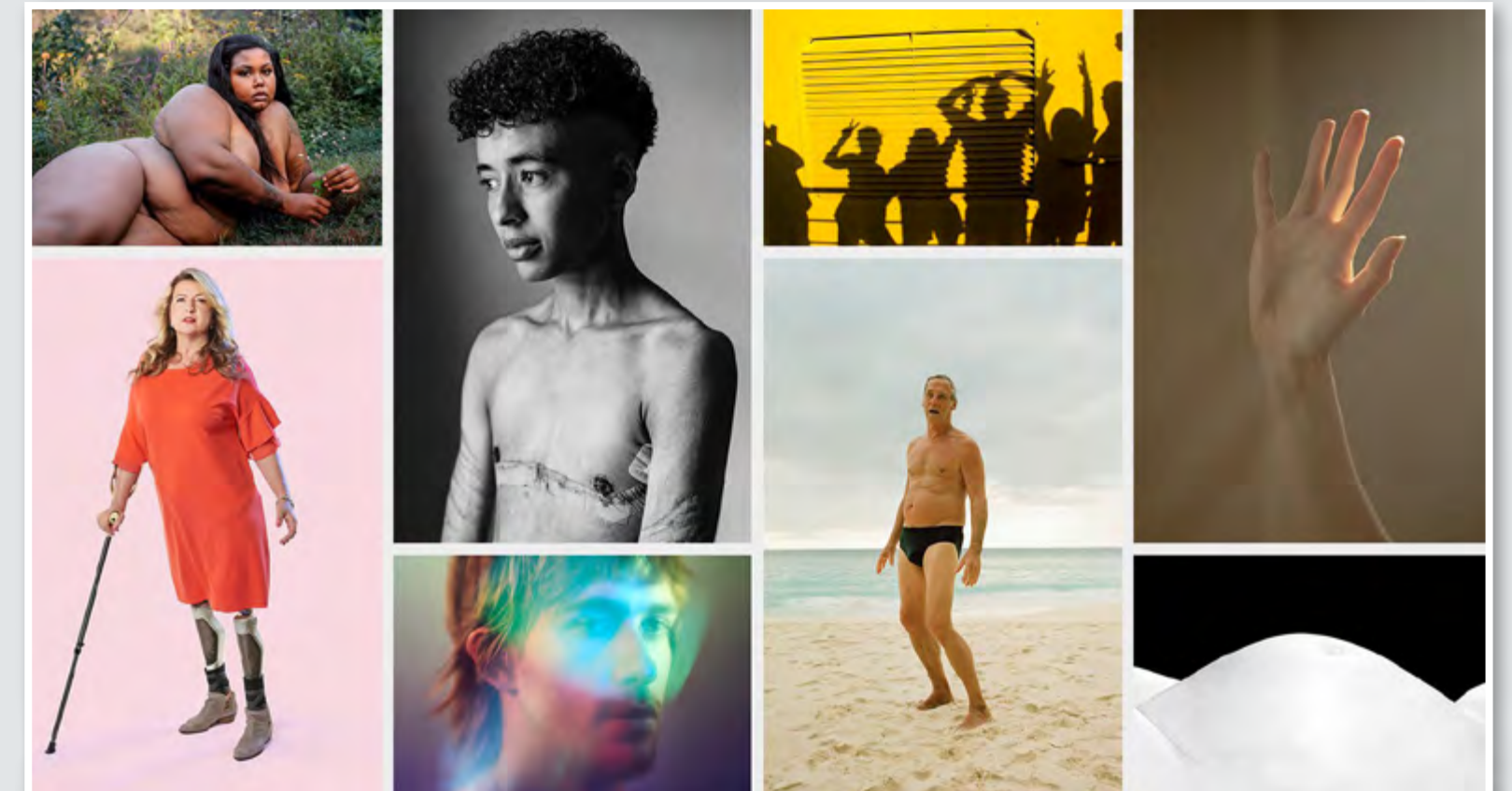
ENTRIES CLOSE - MONDAY 10TH JUNE 2024

22nd VIGEX International Photographic Print Salon

VIGEX Inc., a small volunteer committee of photography enthusiasts, has been running international photographic salons in Geelong since 1980. The Salon is being run under the patronage of: Approved Exhibition PSA 2024-1147, Approved Exhibition FIAP No. 2024/178, Approved Exhibition APS No. 2024/08. An exhibition of all awarded images will be shown at the Hoop Gallery, 77 Beach Road, Torquay from Thursday 11 July to Sunday 21 July. Opening Hours – Thu/Fri: 11.00 am – 4.00pm; Sat/Sun: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm. For more information and to access the on-line entry form: <http://www.vigex.org.au>

CLOSING DATE: SUNDAY 30TH JUNE 2024

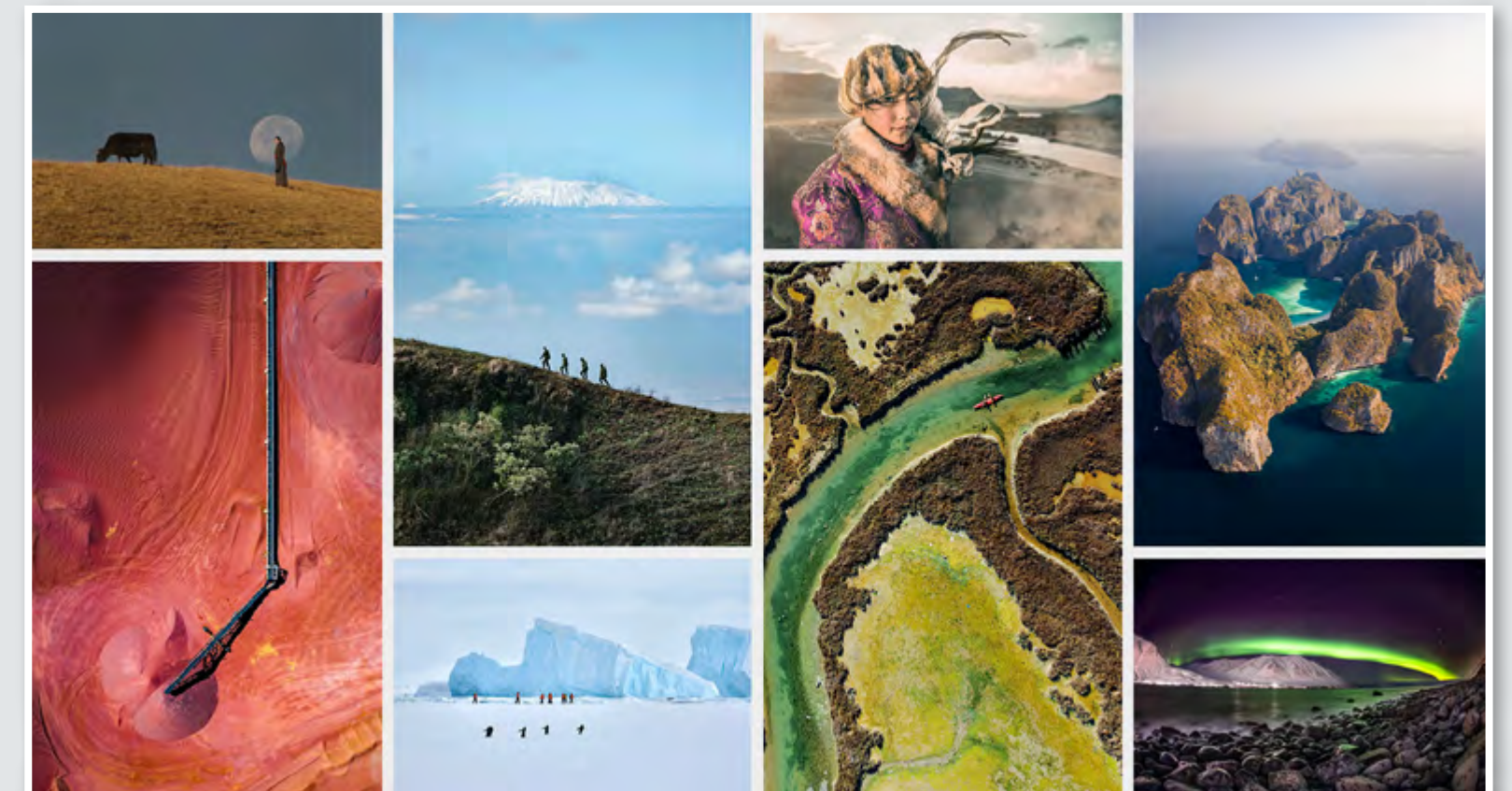
Life Framer Photo Comp: THE HUMAN BODY



A home for the brain, the heart and the soul. Let's look at the image of the human body. From the head to the toes; its quirks, uniqueness and beauty. Freeze a detail or a scene that captures our human nature. With over seven billion bodies to choose from, show us the ones that count. Portraiture, candid, studio, conceptual, documentary, any genre, new or from your archives. Tasteful nudity welcome. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY 2024

Life Framer Photo Comp: PLANET EARTH



From icy polar snowscapes to vast and arid deserts; from sweeping agricultural plains to dense tropical rainforest; the earth has always provided an awe-inspiring backdrop to our short stay. This month we want you to capture the beauty of our shared planet – nature's landscapes and man's influence on them. The land, our cultures, and the myriad of species with which we inhabit planet Earth. Let's step out into our world and capture its majesty! Whether on your doorstep or the other side of the world. Landscapes, conceptual, aerial, documentary. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>