



NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2024

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Saturday 7th December 2024 EOY Presentation Dinner 2024
Tuesday 14th January 2025 February Comp Due - Artificial Lighting

Editor's Desk

The End of Year break is almost upon us, and looking forward to our Presentation Dinner celebrating 130 years of Bendigo Camera Club should be a great night. Our 2025 Set Subjects for next years competitions are listed, so that you can all get an early start on planning your shots. The first Competitions Set Subject is **Artificial Light** and is due on our first week back, at the Club Picnic, Tuesday 14th January 2025. Happy snapping everyone, cheers Mark.

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER: 6:00PM

BCC END OF YEAR DINNER 2024

This year the clubs Annual Presentation Dinner is being held at the club rooms on the 7th December. The evening is being catered for and the event will be BYO drinks, and will also celebrate 130 years of Bendigo Camera Club. For those attending please make sure you have paid the \$40 per person price. The menu for the night is below, we look forward to seeing you all there, Cheers.

MENU

Mains

Slow cooked Beef and Lamb
 Scalloped Potatoes
 Roasted Seasonal Vegetables

Desserts

Berry Cheesecake
 Apple & Rhubarb Crumble

TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY 2025: 6PM

BCC Social Picnic

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

First gathering for 2025 is a Social Picnic with BYO food, chair and drinks and either enjoying the outdoors or in the case of poor weather we can gather indoors.

DUE TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY 2025: 11:45PM

February Comp - Set Subject: Artificial Light

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

First of our Competitions for 2025 is Artificial Light, using man-made lights such as studio lights, flashes, or street lamps, or any household lamp, torch pretty much any light source you want to enhance your subject/s for visually compelling results.

TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2025

Evening Photo Walk 2025

The committee is currently working on choosing a venue somewhere close and handy to members so stay tuned for details in January's News.

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY 2025

Australia Day 2025

The committee be asking for volunteers closer to the event and details for the day are yet to be Confirmed.

BCC COMPETITION DEADLINES 2025: 11:45PM

BCC Photo Competition Set Subjects 2025

The Set Subjects for the BCC Photographic Competitions 2025 are now set. As each Competition nears a more comprehensive description (definition) will be added to that subject in the hope that it will help members define what they wish to shoot. If you are struggling with definitions, please ask any Committee Member for help.

ARTIFICIAL LIGHT Due Tuesday 14th January 2025

Use man-made lights such as studio lights, flashes, or street lamps, to enhance your subject/s for visually compelling results.

Artificial light refers to any light source that is man-made, including studio lights, flashes, LED lights, and other lighting equipment. The focus is on how photographers manipulate and control artificial light to enhance their subjects, create mood, add colour, highlight textures, or craft dramatic effects. Entries should demonstrate a strong understanding of lighting techniques, showing how artificial light can be used to shape, define, or transform the subject matter. Participants are encouraged to push the boundaries of artificial lighting to produce visually compelling and innovative photographs.

PORTRAITS Due Tuesday 11th February 2025

Convey a story or emotion through your image of a person. Create a mood by highlighting facial expressions, body language, and/or the environment in which the subject is placed.

INTENTIONAL CAMERA MOVEMENT Due Tuesday 8th April 2025

Create abstract, impressionistic, or dynamic effects by moving the camera during exposure. Showcase artistic use of camera movement to convey emotion, atmosphere, or unique interpretations.

TRIPTYCH (SERIES OF 3 IMAGES) Due Tuesday 10th June 2025

Create a cohesive, visually engaging work using three distinct images that, when combined, convey a unified idea or artistic expression.

AUSTRALIANA Due Tuesday 12th August 2025

Showcase the spirit of Australia. Explore landscapes, wildlife, culture, and iconic elements. Convey a sense of place, culture, and distinctive qualities. Offer a compelling and authentic glimpse into what it means to be Australian.

STRUCTURES Due Tuesday 9 September 2025

Photograph man-made structures. Focus on form, space, light, design, and aesthetics. Highlight visual appeal, historical significance, or cultural context. Offer a fresh perspective or artistic interpretation.

PRESIDENTS MONTHLY MONOLOGUE

My Fellow Members

Quad Comp
 We had 14 people attending the QUAD comp in Castlemaine this month. The members from Mt Alexander are to be congratulated on a successful event. Not only did we have a great time but they were successful in winning Quad comp this year. BCC came in third place behind Macedon. The quality of images was extremely high from all four clubs and this was reflected in the closeness of the competition.

The Model Shoot
 To conclude our years lighting program on Saturday November 23rd we had a Model Shoot with two lighting set-ups, two models and Brian and Daniel on hand too help with any advice. Each photographer got 10 minutes alone with each model, to position with the lighting set-up's. The BCC Facebook Site has already seen some of the great images posted, for those who haven't seen them they're well worth a look.

End of Year Presentation Dinner
 The Annual Presentation Dinner is on the 7th December at the club rooms. Jason has organised with another chief and will cater for us. So we are sure to have a wonderful meal. This year we are celebrating 130 years of Bendigo Camera Club. I have found an amazing story and am pleased to be sharing some of this history with you all on the night. If you have any photos, memorabilia or memories that you would like to share on the night I would love to hear from you.

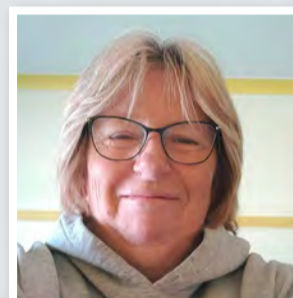
As always feel free to contact me if you have any queries
Pauline Moore BCC President 0413 968 793



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YOUR BCC COMMITTEE 2023 / 2024

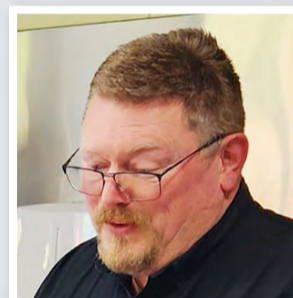
All BCC Members are encouraged to get to know their Committee Members so they can approach them with any enquiries, complaints or suggestions. So we have put together a little photo board below so that new comming members may easily recognise and get to know us better.



Pauline Moore
President
[email Pauline](mailto:email_pauline)



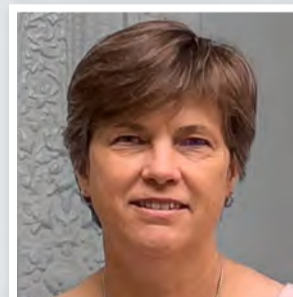
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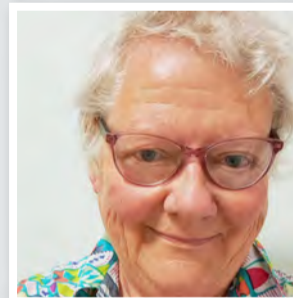
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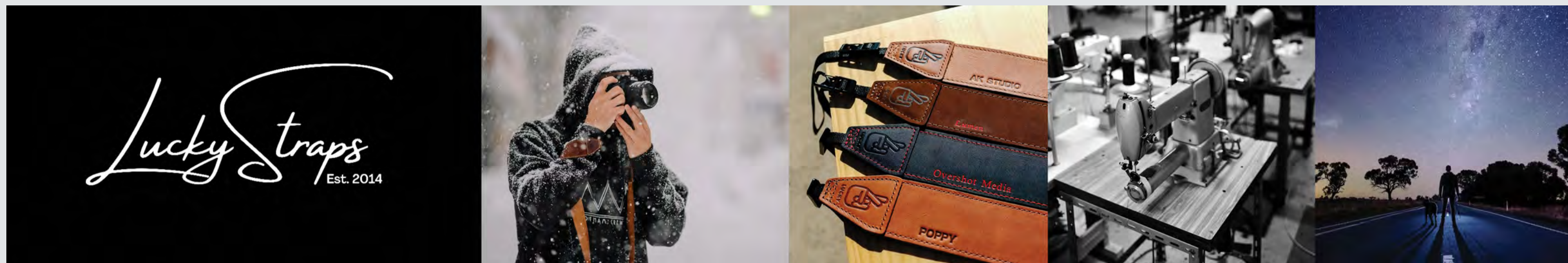
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DO YOU HAVE A POST FOR THE NOTICE BOARD

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



PREMIUM LEATHER CAMERA STRAPS - CRAFTED FOR DEMANDING PHOTOGRAPHERS

Lucky Straps offers a premium range of leather camera straps designed for photographers who value both aesthetics and functionality. These leather camera straps are meticulously handcrafted using high-quality, full-grain leather, ensuring durability and a soft, comfortable feel. The straps are made in Australia, showcasing exceptional craftsmanship and attention to detail.

Customers rave about the luxurious feel and the durability of these leather camera straps. The leather used is known for its resilience and ability to age gracefully, developing a unique patina over time. This natural aging process enhances the strap's character and appeal, making each piece unique.

The design of *Lucky Straps* leather camera straps is both practical and stylish. They feature quick-release buckles, allowing photographers to easily attach and detach their cameras. This functionality is highly praised by users, who appreciate the convenience it offers during shoots.

The straps come in various colors and styles, catering to different tastes and camera models. Whether you're looking for a classic black strap or a more vibrant colour, *Lucky Straps* has options to suit your preference.

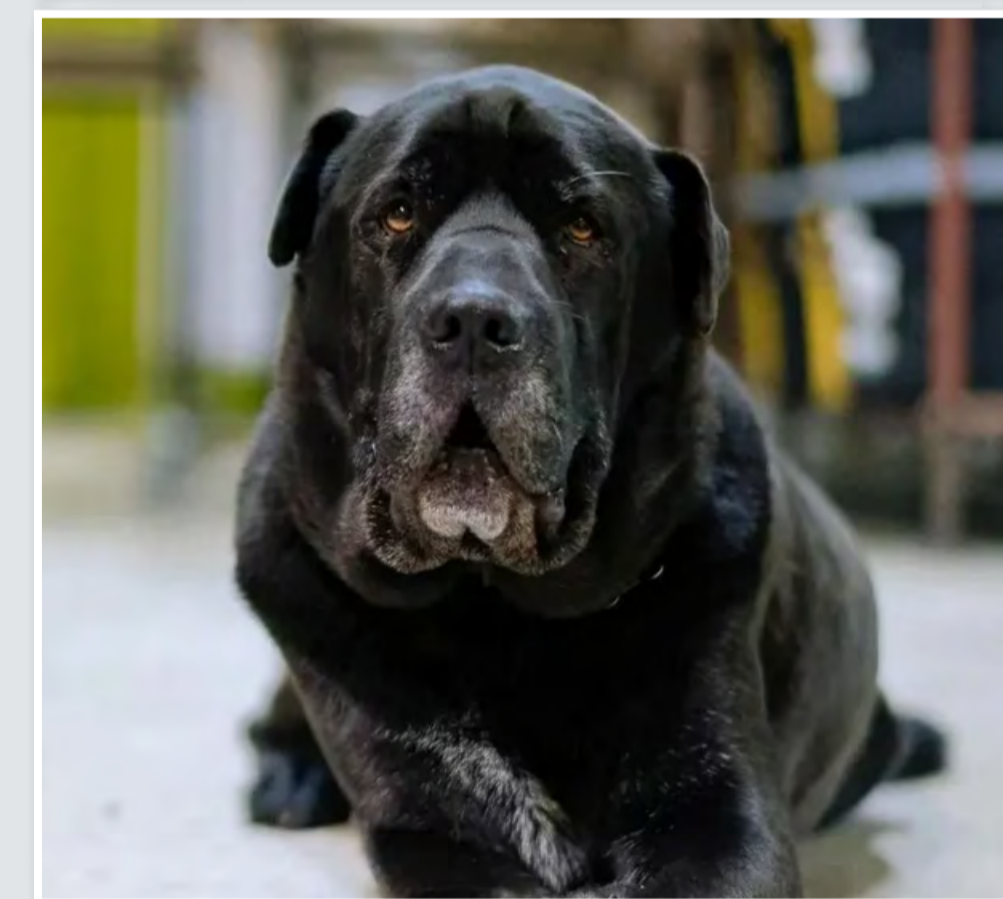
Customer reviews highlight the straps' comfort during extended use. The leather's softness reduces strain on the neck and shoulders, making it ideal for long photography sessions. Additionally, the secure fit and sturdy construction provide peace of mind, ensuring your camera is safe and easily accessible.


Lucky Straps' commitment to quality and design has earned them a loyal customer base. Photographers commend the brand for delivering leather camera straps that are not only functional but also elevate their overall photography experience. With a focus on both style and practicality, continues to be a top choice for those seeking the best in leather camera straps.

Justin the owner/operator of *Lucky Straps* is also a full time wedding photographer who loves going on adventures, taking his camera everywhere he goes. He lives in Bendigo, Australia with his dog Ted. He comes to work with Justin everyday, you can follow the pair on their Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/luckystraps/>

Lucky Straps was born out of Justin's search to find a camera strap that allows him to carry a pro-sized camera body with a 70-200mm f2.8 lens all day without hating his life. It needed to be longer to allow it to be worn across the body instead of around the neck, and wider to spread the load better. They are also designed with ultimate Anti-Theft security for your gear with cut and abrasion-resistant Dyneema® Webbing, making it ideal for travellers.

Justin has kindly donated two of his amazing handcrafted straps as raffle prizes for our Bendigo Camera Club End of Year Presentation Dinner.





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DECEMBER 2024 - FEBRUARY 2025

Summer in the Parks



Various Times & Locations - Bendigo VIC

Summer in the Parks has returned for 2024/2025 and will feature free or low-cost events and activities during the months of December, January and February. Bendigo's beautiful parks will come alive with outdoor cinema, live music from local acts, and community activities and events such as Christmas Celebrations, New Years Eve Fireworks and Australia Day celebrations. Please see website for more detailed event information: <https://www.bendigsummerintheparks.com/>

Or download the PDF: <https://www.bendigsummerintheparks.com/sites/default/files/2024-11/SITP%202024-2025%20Program%205.pdf>

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 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. On running days trips will depart at 11:00am, 12:00pm and 2:15pm. Please note bookings are recommended to avoid disappointment. Please see website for further details: <https://bellarinerailway.com.au/heritage-train-rides/>

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 a picturesque backdrop. Coming up: 7th December: Ally G, 14th December: Toli, 21st December: Bentley Grattan, 28th December: Caitie + Ko. Please see website for details:

<https://www.bendigotramways.com/tours/groove-tram>

CURRENT - FRI 4TH APR 2025: 6:30PM - 12PM

Eye & Awe; Seeing & Being Nature: Exhibition



The Old Church on the Hill; Feast Space - 36 Russell St, Quarry Hill VIC

Eye & Awe is a photography exhibition that seeks to share the photographer's sense of wonder with Dja Dja Wurrung Country. It embodies a practice of slow, mindful immersions, with a camera in hand. Shane Carey, known as "The Sensitive Shutter," grew up on Wadawurrung Country, in Ballarat. His mum gave him a disposable camera to take to a primary school camp, which began his photography journey. Shane always loved being in the bush with his family as a child. He continues to value time among the trees with his family, and by himself. Overall, his work conveys a message of mindfulness; encouraging viewers to appreciate the world around them and consider their own place within it. Please see website for details: <https://www.theoldchurch.org.au/>

SAT 30TH NOV: 6:30PM - 11PM

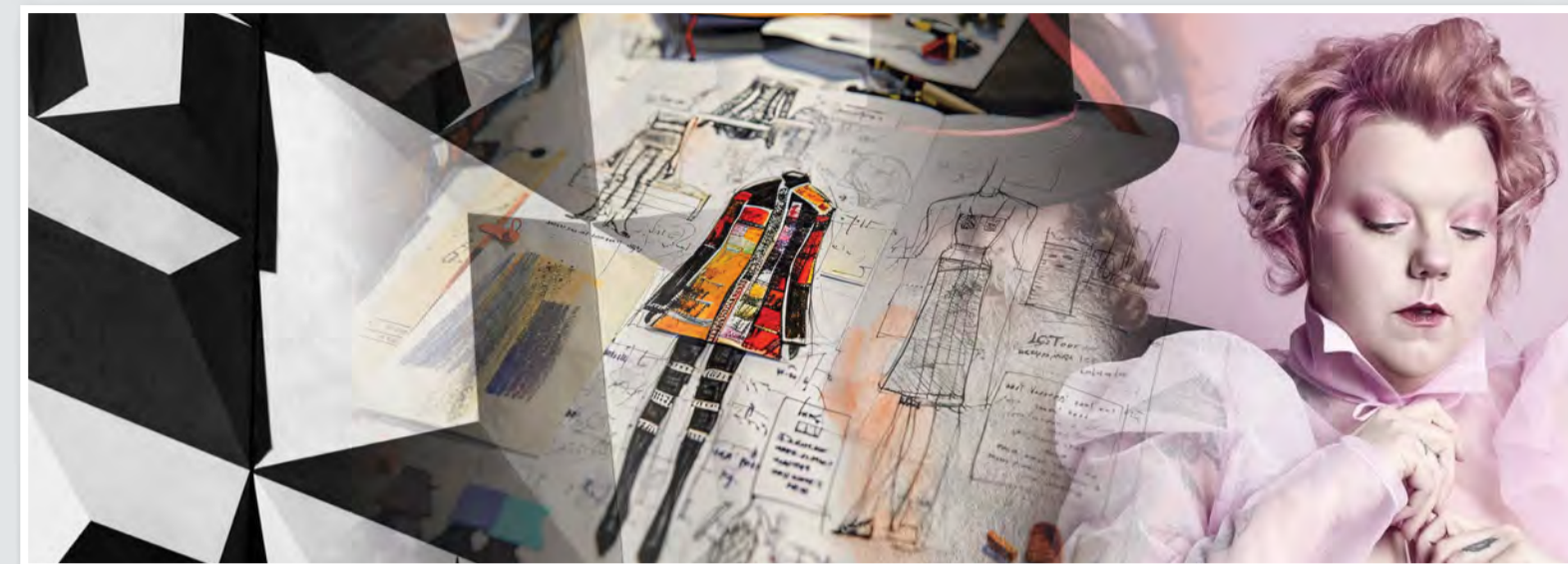
Blues Train Queenscliff

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

The Blues Train departs from the seaside town of Queenscliff and will have you rocking and rolling all the way along the Bellarine Railway, with picturesque views of the sun setting behind Swan Bay, plus interval stops at railway platforms along the Bellarine Peninsula for you to rest, refresh and swap carriages. At 7.55pm we blow the whistle and call 'all aboard' for an 8pm departure rolling back into Queenscliff station between 11.15 and 11.30pm. Please see website for details: <https://www.theblustrain.com.au/the-experience/>

CURRENT - THU 12TH DEC: VARIOUS TIMES

RMIT End of Year Student Showcases 2024



Various Locations - Melbourne VIC

Each year RMIT comes to life in a unique way as graduating students across creative disciplines showcase their work to family, friends, the public and industry. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect directly with the students and experience greater insight in their diverse practices and final folios. Please see website for details, times and locations for each design, arts & photography showcases: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/end-of-year-student-showcases>


CURRENT - SUN 27TH APRIL 2025: 10AM - 5PM

The Future and Other Fictions



ACMI - Flinders St, Melbourne VIC

Through more than 180 works, this world premiere exhibition invites you to step into the imaginations of 19 creative visionaries from around the globe. Experience how futures are imagined and made onscreen, with artworks, sets, props, scripts, clips, costumes and original design materials on display. Explore a diverse range of futuristic worlds including costumes from Marvel Studios' Black Panther: Wakanda Forever by legendary designer Ruth E Carter. See how the cityscapes of Cyberpunk 2077, Blade Runner 2049 and The Creator were dreamed up through stunning concept art and intricate models. Enter the kaleidoscopic world of Icelandic pop goddess Björk, with masks, dresses and artworks designed for her music video 'The Gate'. Witness the reclamation of First Nations, South Asian and Pacific futures through fashion activism and remixed rituals and mythologies. The Future and Other Fictions also features two new moving image works by Hannah Brontë, and Natasha Wanganeen and Liam Young. Pricing: from free to \$22.50. Please see website for details: <https://www.acmi.net.au/events-calendar/>



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FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER: 6:30PM - 9:00PM

Bendigo Christmas Tree Lighting

Rosalind Park - Corner of View Street & Pall Mall, Bendigo VIC

The City of Greater Bendigo's annual Summer in the Parks program will kick off on Friday 29 November with the Christmas Tree Light Up in Rosalind Park. There will be entertainment for children from 6.30pm onwards. The Mayor will officially light the Christmas Tree at approximately 8.45pm. The tree lights can then be viewed every night in December. This is a free event. Ensure you are kept up to date with all that Summer in the Parks has to offer, follow Bendigo Summer in the Parks on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BendigoSummerInTheParks>

CURRENT - WED 25TH DEC: 9PM - 11PM

Crown Christmas River Show



Outside Crown - Southbank Promenade, Melbourne VIC

The spectacular river show returns to the Birrarung – Yarra River this Christmas! Head to Southbank Promenade outside Crown to catch this dazzling Christmas show featuring water fountains, lasers, light projections and a festive soundtrack. Shows will run every 15 minutes each night. This is a Christmas Festival event, presented by City of Melbourne in partnership with Crown. Please see website for details: <https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/crown-christmas-river-show>

CURRENT - WED 25TH DEC: ALL DAY

Christmas at Queensbridge Square

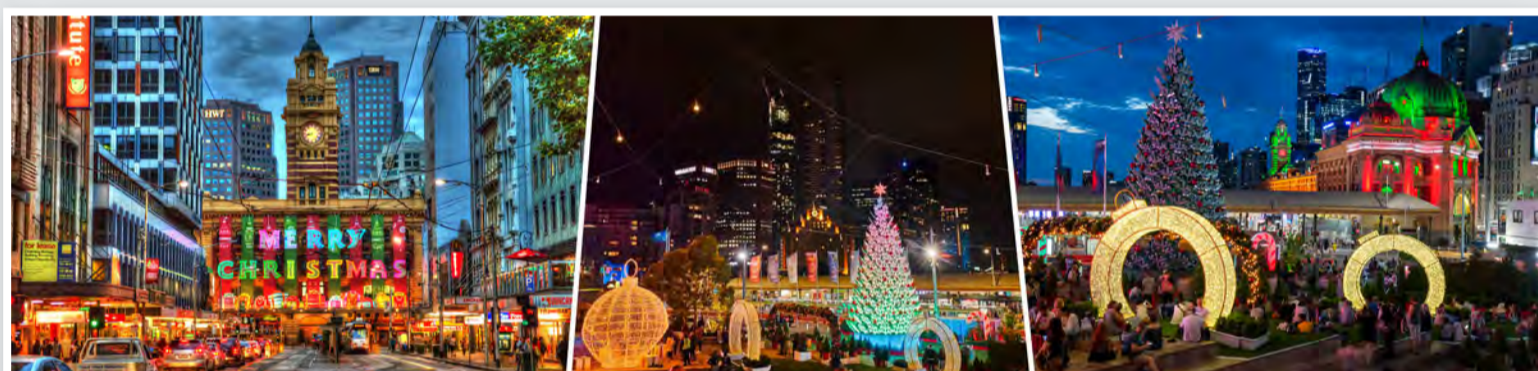


Queensbridge Square - 3 Queens Bridge St, Southbank VIC

Take a whirl on the illuminated swings or watch the Christmas tree light up as you play on the see-saw in this festive pop-up at Queensbridge Square. This is a Christmas Festival activation, presented by City of Melbourne. Please see website for details: <https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/christmas-at-queensbridge-square>

CURRENT - WED 25TH DEC: ALL DAY

Christmas Decorations



Various Locations - Melbourne VIC

The city comes alive at Christmas! Wander the streets and feel the festive cheer. Some of our favourites include the giant reindeer in Docklands, the Christmas star on Evan Walker Bridge and the popular nutcracker soldiers standing guard across the city. Keep an eye out for giant candy canes and festive koalas. Things really start to sparkle at night with twinkling lights in trees and laneways across the city. Please see website for details and locations: <https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/christmas/decorations>

CURRENT - TUES 2ND JAN 2025: VARIOUS TIMES

Christmas in Ballarat



Various Locations - Ballarat VIC

Unwrap the magic of Christmas in Ballarat as the city comes alive with dazzling decorations, live music and more. Please see website for details: <https://www.christmasinballarat.com.au/>

CURRENT - WED 25TH DEC: ALL DAY

Christmas Square



Federation Square - Melbourne VIC

Christmas comes to life in the city with the iconic 17.5 metre tree. Experience the spectacular light and sound shows, have a swing on a giant light-up bell and soak up the festive atmosphere before discovering everything the city has to offer at Christmas. This is a Christmas Festival event, presented by City of Melbourne in partnership with Fed Square. Once again, Christmas Square and the Christmas Projections are lighting up with 100% wind powered Christmas cheer. Please see website for details: <https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/christmas-square>


SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER: 9:30AM - 4:30PM

155th Kingston Agricultural Show



Kingston Showgrounds - 54 Church Parade, Kingston VIC

Enjoy a family-fun day out at the 155th Kingston Agricultural Show. With all the fun of a country show with new attractions! This year pick up some science with Fizzics, visit the sheep show, heavy horses, long reining and State Final of the dog high jump, and working yard dog competition. Visit the poultry pavilion and pat a chicken, compete in the Home Gardener's Produce Basket Competition. Bake a cake or take a photo and compete. Enjoy the Rural Schools Challenge and vehicle displays and much more. Please see website for further details: <https://www.kingstonagsociety.org.au/>



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SAT 30TH NOVEMBER: 4PM - 8PM

Gather Harcourt



James Park - High Street, Harcourt VIC

We have over 50 stalls, from creative arts & craft stalls & many local community organisations. The wineries and cidery will be the perfect partner to the food and of course. The local musicians will fill the park with music, so bring your dancing shoes and singing voices. Please see website for details: <https://www.facebook.com/gatherharcourt/>

FRI 6TH - TUE 24TH DEC: 2PM - 10PM

Christmas Carnival



Alexandra Gardens - 3 Boathouse Dr, Melbourne VIC

Enjoy the delights on banks of the Birrarung this Christmas Carnival. Ride the ferris wheel, drive the dodgems or get the best view of the city lights as you spin 35 meters in the air on top of the Sky Flyer. Complete the experience with classic carnival food. Entry is free. Tokens for each ride can be purchased at the ticket box on site. Please see website for details: <https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/christmas-carnival>

FRI 6TH, 13TH & SAT 7TH, 14TH DEC:: 6:30PM - 11PM

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SAT 7TH - SUN 8TH DECEMBER: 9AM - 4PM

Itchy Palms Open Garden



Itchy Palms Gardens - 26 Kenean Court, Mandurang VIC

Over 2.5 acres of mature botanical style gardens, with a mixture of exotic and native plantings. Large water feature shaded by mature willows on one side and exotic palms on the other. The garden is expansive and inspiring and has been designed and is maintained by the owners. A must for garden lovers, photographers and bird watchers. Only ten minutes from the Alexandra fountain in central Bendigo. You will be greeted by the Strathfieldsaye Lions club at the gate. *RAFFLE *PLANT STALL *VINTAGE TRIAL MOTORBIKE DISPLAY *ART DISPLAY & SALES. Return visitors always welcome to see the dramatic changes that have occurred over the years since the gardens were 1st Opened to the public for viewing in 2017. Tea and coffee facilities (urn) and bottled water. Lots of shady areas to explore and ample seating for B.Y.O. picnics. Sorry no catering. Sorry no pets. Public toilets at Mandurang Oval. Please remember NO EFTPOS. CASH ONLY. Don't be disappointed. Please see website for details: <https://itchypalmsgardens.weebly.com/>

WEEKENDS: CURRENT - SUN 8TH DEC: 10AM - 4PM

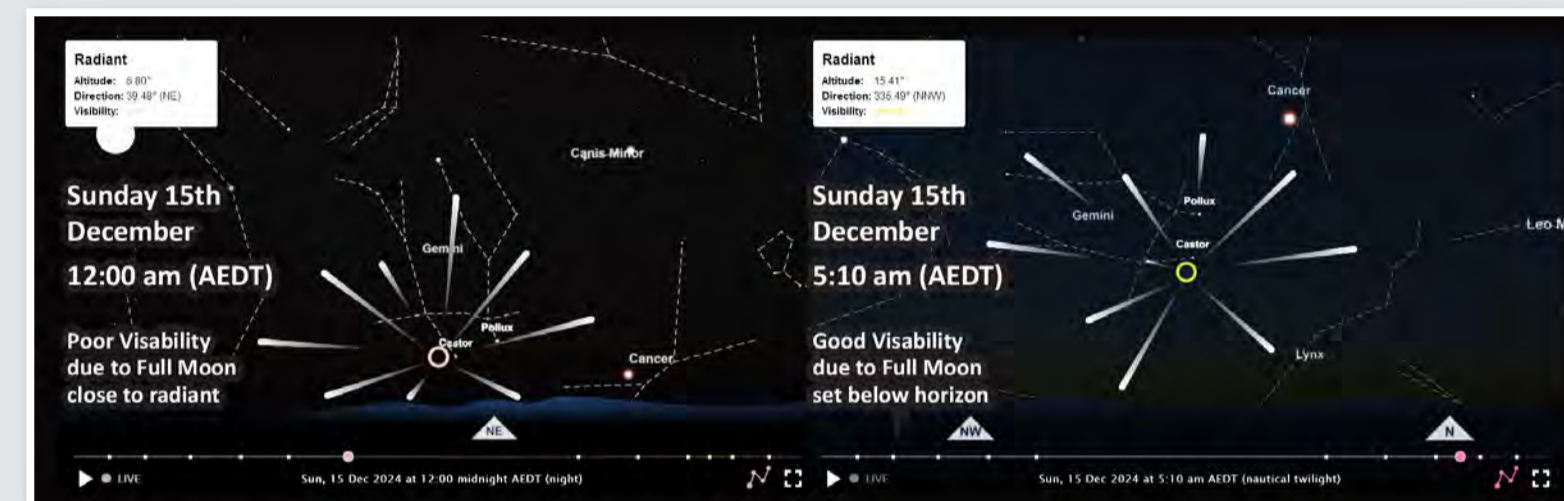
Mica Grange Open Garden Exhibition

Mica Grange - 373 Faraday Sutton Grange Road, Sutton Grange VIC

Traditional gardens, rose walks, proteas, Australian natives, rockeries, vegetable garden, fairy gardens, or beautiful valley views, you will find something to spark your imagination at Mica Grange. The spacious gardens are full of creative ideas and sculptors exhibiting, plus a wide array of garden art, plants and preserves for sale. Morning tea, light lunches, and afternoon tea are served on the spacious decking overlooking the Sutton Grange valley or around the garden between 10am and 4.30pm. Entry is \$9 (children U18 free). Please see website for details: <http://www.micagrangecom.au>

PEAK: SAT 14TH - SUN 15TH DEC: 12AM - 6AM

Geminids Meteor Shower 2024




Bendigo VIC

- Full Period:** 4 - 20 Dec
- Peak:** 14 - 15 December - Up to 150 mph
- Parent:** 3200 Phaethon
- Where Visible:** Both Hemispheres

The Geminids are considered to be one of the most spectacular meteor showers of the year, with the possibility of sighting around 120-150 meteors per hour at its peak, December 13 or 14, depending on your time zone. The shower owes its name to the constellation Gemini because the meteors seem to emerge from this constellation in the sky. Unlike most meteor showers, the Geminids are not associated with a comet but with asteroid: 3200 Phaethon which takes about 1.4 years to orbit the Sun.

Time	Direction/Altitude	Direction/Altitude	Direction/Altitude
12:00am	Sat 40°NE/6.5°	Sun 40°NE/6.5°	Mon 40°NE/6.6°
1:00am	Sat 29°NE/13.3°	Sun 29°N-NE/13.3°	Mon 29°N-NE/13.3°
2:00am	Sat 17°N-NE/18.0°	Sun 17°N-NE/18.0°	Mon 17°N-NE/18.1°
3:00am	Sat 4°N/20.2°	Sun 4°N/20.2°	Mon 4°N/20.3°
4:00am	Sat 351°N/19.6°	Sun 351°N/19.7°	Mon 351°N/19.7°
5:00am	Sat 338°N-NE/16.4°	Sun 338°N-NE/16.4°	Mon 338°N-NE/16.5°
6:00am	Sat 326°N-NE/10.8°	Sun 326°N-NE/10.8°	Mon 326°N-NE/10.9°

Sunset: 13 Dec / 8:36pm	Sunrise: 14 Dec / 5:57am
Moonrise: 13 Dec / 6:28pm	Moonset: 14 Dec / 4:19am
Sunset: 14 Dec / 8:37pm	Sunrise: 15 Dec / 5:58am
Moonrise: 14 Dec / 7:44pm	Moonset: 15 Dec / 5:07am
Sunset: 15 Dec / 8:38pm	Sunrise: 16 Dec / 5:58am
Moonrise: 15 Dec / 8:55pm	Moonset: 16 Dec / 6:06am



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The Wind in the Willows

Oak Lawn Gate - Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne VIC

Celebrating over 35 years in the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, The Wind in the Willows is Australia's best-loved affordable family entertainment with plenty of songs, laughs and surprises for the whole family to enjoy. This critically acclaimed outdoor theatre production delivers music, songs, and laughs. There is fun for young and old as the Head Chief Rabbit transforms the audience into rabbits with a waggle of the ears and a wiggle of the nose. The young 'rabbits' are encouraged to get involved in the action and are given every opportunity to scream out loud, sing along and become part of the adventure. With laughs and surprises for children and adults, this is theatre at its best. Please see website for details: <https://www.shakespeareaustralia.com.au/>

CURRENT - TUE 31ST DEC: 10AM - 5PM

The Story of the Moving Image



ACMI - Flinders St, Melbourne VIC

From the first projections and optical illusions to the birth of film and beyond, moving images have the power to spark imagination, share stories and shape history. Discover how inventors, innovators and artists at the turn of the 20th century wielded light, split time and captured motion, heralding a technological revolution that continues today. Featuring ancient shadow puppets, Victorian-era magic lanterns, original cameras, iconic costumes, movie sets, sketches, clips and contemporary art, The Story of the Moving Image traverses time, countries and cultures in a mesmerising exploration of an art form that changed the world and illuminated our collective humanity. The Story of the Moving Image is open 364 days a year, is completely free and offers deep interactive and immersive experiences to visitors of all ages. Please see website for details: <https://www.acmi.net.au/events-calendar/>

TUE 31ST DEC: VARIOUS TIMES & LOCATIONS

New Year's Eve in Melbourne



Various Locations - Melbourne VIC

Say goodbye to 2024 and celebrate New Year's Eve in Melbourne with fancy dinners, family fun and plenty of bubbly. Book in early to one of the many events and dining options at bars and restaurants across the city. Get the best view of the glittering fireworks and laser displays from one of the free Celebration Zones, where there will also be loads of food and family entertainment. Remember to plan your journey ahead of time for smooth sailing. See more information about celebrations on the New Year's Eve website: <https://nye.melbourne.vic.gov.au/>

CURRENT - MON 27TH JAN 2025: 10AM - 5PM

Rekospective: The Art of Reko Rennie

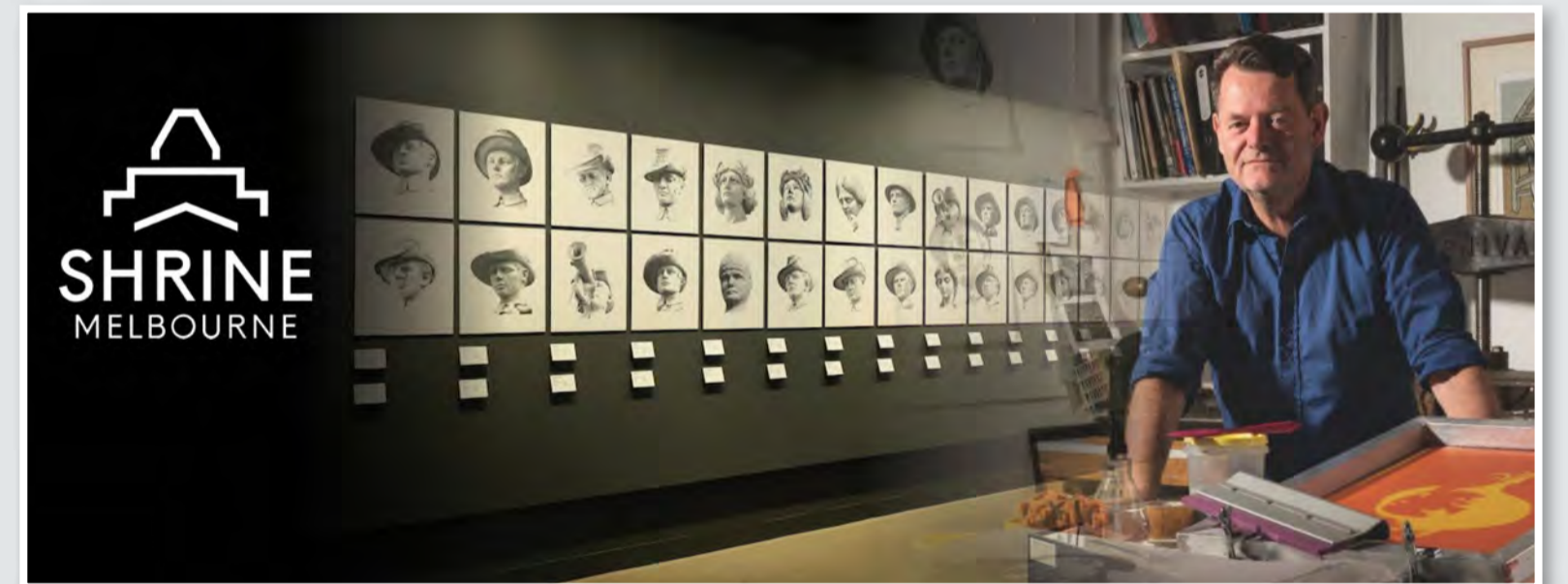


The Ian Potter Centre: NGV Australia - Russell St, Melbourne VIC

Featuring a 15 metre wide light sculpture and Rolls Royce covered in bold pink and black camouflage, Rekospective: The Art of Reko Rennie, is the artist's largest presentation of work to date and his first-ever retrospective exhibition. With more than 100 works on display – including recent acquisitions and new, never-before-seen bodies of work – the exhibition charts the entirety of Rennie's more than two-decade long career, inviting audiences to explore his powerful responses to specific histories, cultures and materials. Please see website for further details: <https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/exhibition/rekospective-the-art-of-reko-rennie/>

CURRENT - SUN 13TH APRIL 2025: 10AM - 5PM

Immortals



Shrine of Remembrance - Birdwood Ave, Melbourne VIC

Discover a compelling exploration of history and memory through the eyes of Central Victorian artist Clayton Tremlett in our latest exhibition. After more than six years of dedicated research, Tremlett presents a comparative portrait study of sixty-six First World War Digger memorials, offering a unique opportunity to connect with the faces that have stood as silent sentinels for a century. Tremlett's meticulous process results in powerful screen prints that mirror the iconic First World War studio portraits, allowing you to see these memorials in a new light – both literally and figuratively. The exhibition sheds new light on August Rietman, the most prolific Victorian sculptor of Digger statues whose figures are celebrated as the quintessential Aussie Digger. Immerse yourself in this fusion of art, history, and research, and witness the faces of our past brought vividly to life. Please see website for details: <https://www.shrine.org.au/immortals>



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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

CURRENT - SAT 31ST MAY 2025: 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>

Looking for some inspiration, Those who come before us can often inspire us to find the next spark on which we can the fire of creation, so don't be afraid to look at the work of others, you can't copy them but they may help you find another way . . .

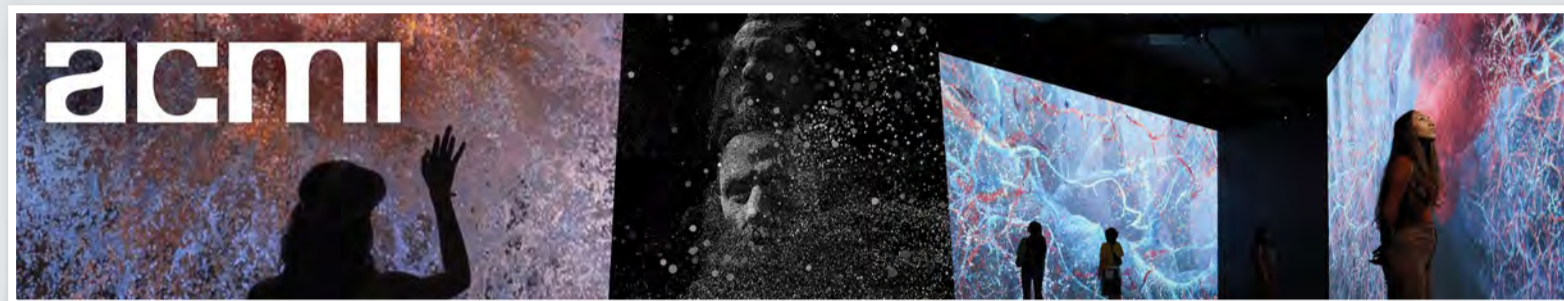
CURRENT EXHIBITIONS - MELBOURNE

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 exhibits and shows, so keep an eye open for whats on here, it might just strike an interest. Please see website for details: <https://www.mcec.com.au/whats-on>



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>



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

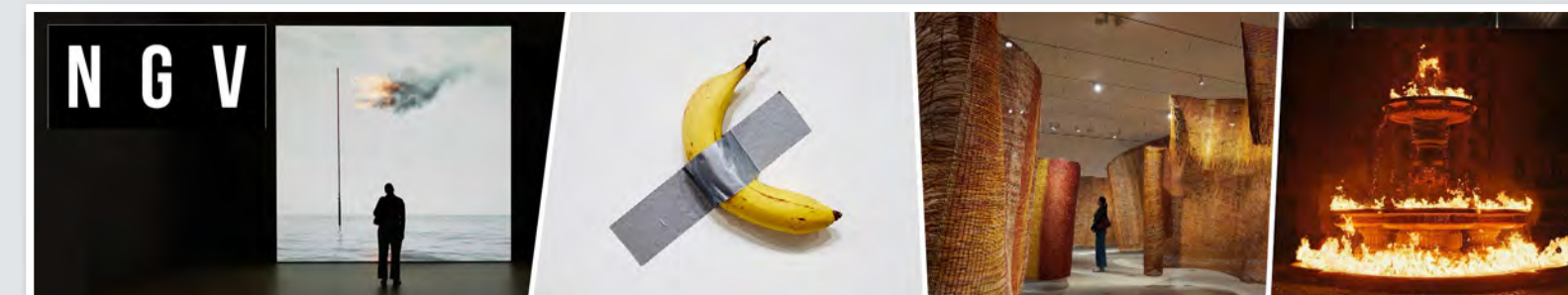
Ranking among Melbourne's most-loved and most-visited attractions, THE LUME Melbourne immerses visitors into the world's finest art at a jaw-dropping scale. The experience's featured come from a broad range of visual and musical artists, representing large collections of creative visualisations. For current exhibitions and more information, please see their website: <https://www.thelumemelbourne.com/whats-on>

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>



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/>



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.vic.gov.au/melbournemuseum/whats-on/>

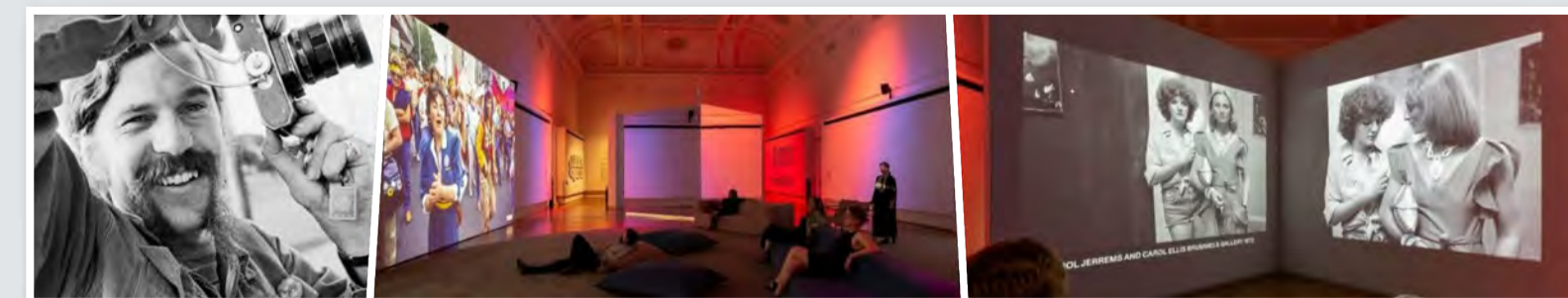
Public Record Office Victoria

Victorian Archives Centre, 99 Shiel St, North Melbourne VIC

Public Record Office Victoria is Victoria's State Government archive. The archive holds many photographic collections and public records that can be used for research for those wishing to study historic pasts and maybe even produce a publication. Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.30pm, and the second and last Saturday of every month, Closed on public holidays. Please note: Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong Centres have different opening times. Please see website for further details: <https://prov.vic.gov.au/explore-collection/where-start>

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, met superstars and attended: Melbourne Cup, AFL Grand Final and Boxing Day Test. Please see website for details: <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/melbourne-out-loud>



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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

CLOSING DATE: SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

Life Framer Photo Comp: BLACK & WHITE



Color photography may dominate in today's world, but there remains a special place for black and white. Purity, simplicity, profundity... It is said that constraints fuel creativity, and stripping away color can bring focus to contrast, texture, shape and form. The best black and white photography allows us to see more sharply and feel more deeply. From the great masters to you – the history of black and white photography is long, but it continues to be written. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2024

2024 Oceania Nature Photo Contest



The Nature Conservancy (TNC) Australia's nature photo contest is back, with more than \$14,000 worth of prizes up for grabs. For the first time ever, the 2024 Photo Contest will sharpen its focus, seeking entries only from residents of Australia, New Zealand, the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea. Nature lovers and photographers across Oceania are asked to share their pics and enter the Contest, which will run from September 18 until November 8, with results announced late November 2024.

Please see website to enter or for further details: <https://www.natureaustralia.org.au/newsroom/2024-oceania-photo-contest/>

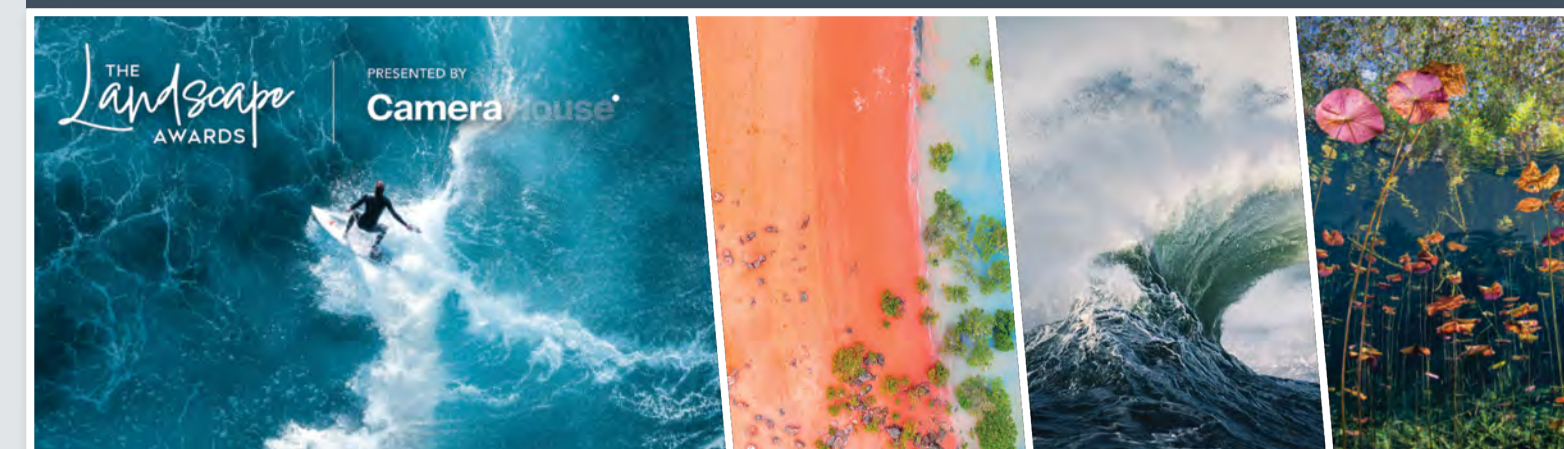
CLOSING DATE: 12TH JANUARY 2025

Maitland International Salon of Photography



The 69th Maitland International Salon of Photography 2025 has six (6) Sections: 3 Print sections and 3 Digital sections. Print Sections: Colour Prints (PSA-PPD-CA Large Prints), Monochrome Prints (PSA-PPD-MA Large Prints), Nature Prints (Colour or Monochrome) PSA-ND Large Prints). Digital Sections: Colour Digital (PSA-PIDC), Monochrome Digital (PSA-PIDM), Nature Digital (colour or monochrome) (PSA-ND). Please see website for details: <https://maitlandsalon.myphotoclub.com.au/>

CLOSING DATE: SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2025



We're delighted to announce the third edition of The Landscape Awards presented by Camera House is now open for entries, as we once again look for Australia's and New Zealand's best landscape photographers. In the 2025 edition of the Awards, photographers will compete for a massive prize pool valued at more than \$20,000, including \$8,000 cash, with the top 20 entries in each category published in Australian Photography magazine in May and at www.australianphotography.com.

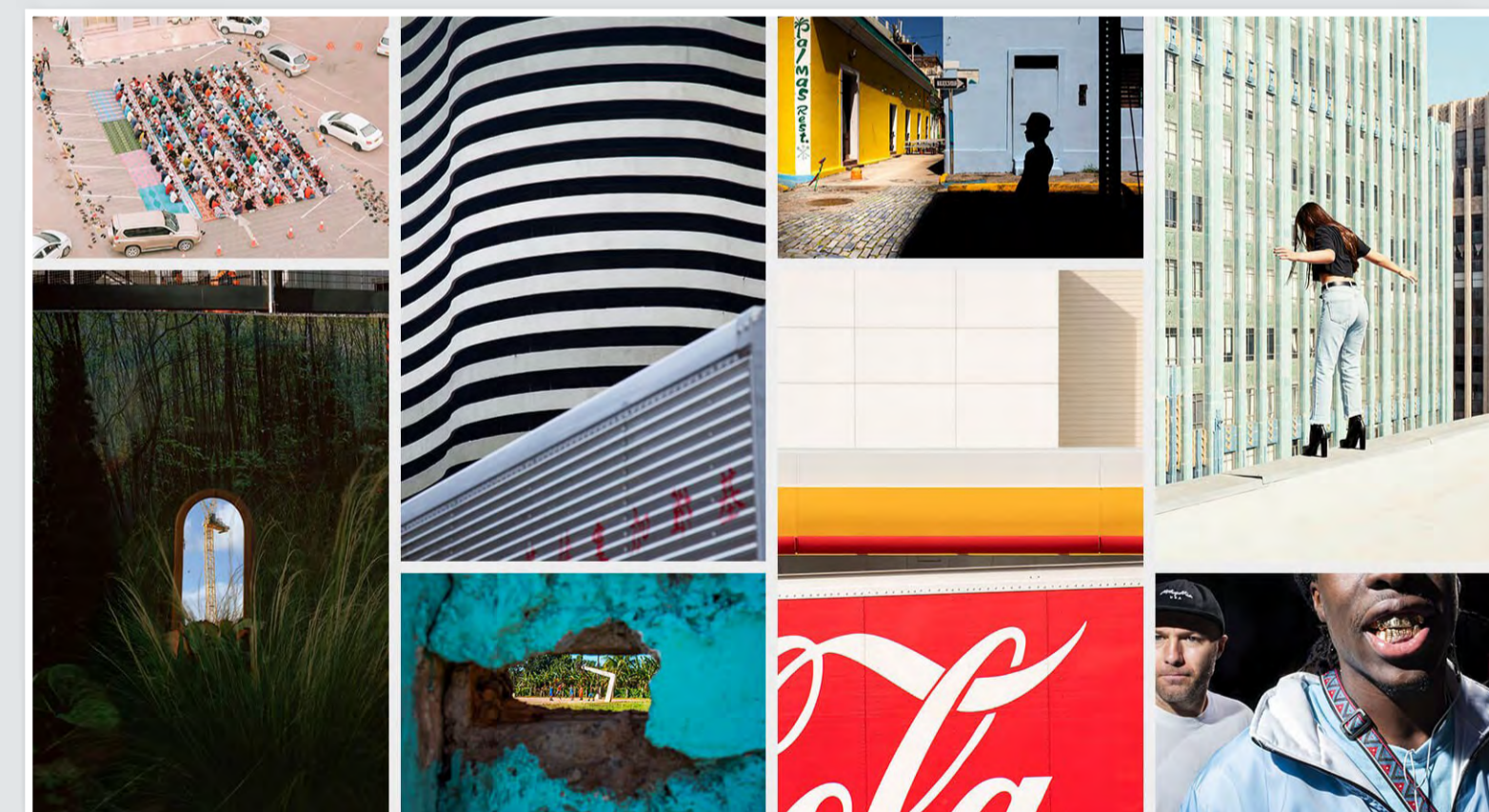
There are four categories in The Landscape Awards: Landscape, Seascape, Aerial and Urban.

Finally, we're thrilled to announce that \$2 from each entry will be donated to the Australian Conservation Foundation to protect our unique wildlife, bush and beaches. Since the competition began, your entries raised over \$20,000 for this important cause. **Early bird entry is on until 1 December 2024** with entries closing Sunday 23 February 2025.

Please see website to enter or for further details: <https://www.thelandscapeawards.com.au/the-landscape-awards-2025-presented-by-camera-house-is-open-for-entries>

CLOSING DATE: TUESDAY 31ST DECEMBER 2024

Life Framer Photo Comp: URBAN LIFE



More than half of us now live in cities – surviving and thriving in a complex, manmade space. Show us urban life and the revelations of the modern world, from New York to Nairobi, São Paulo to Shanghai... We're interested in urban explorations and the insights they can uncover: architecture and cityscapes, urban decay, street encounters, suburban stories... New or from your archives, of any style and genre, and taken with any camera. Please see website for more info: <https://www.life-framer.com/competitions/>