

Blue Mountains Photography Group Newsletter

Feb 2019

Compiled by Jodi McConaghy

Hello club members,

Welcome to another great year for the Blue Mountains Photography Group.

Also welcome to all the new members who are joining us for the first time this year, we hope you enjoy the new relationships you will form, with like-minded photographers. Our club is enthusiastic, proactive and passionate.

Tonight we our special guest/presenter is Linda Warlond, who is the 2016 AIPP NSW Professional Portrait Photographer of the year and the 2017 AIPP NSW Pet/Animal Photographer of the year.

Please take a look at her beautiful web site on the link below.

<https://lindawarlond.com/>

Important Dates to put into your calendar right now

Sun 3rd Club Outing- Gallery Visit BMCC

Meet at the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre at 10am for a coffee and view the current exhibition: 'Blue Mountains Portraits'

<http://bluemountainculturalcentre.com.au/exhibition/blue-mountains-portraits-2/>

Mon 4th Committee Meeting Only

Mon 11th Exhibition Judge Charles Foulsham: AIPP NSW Illustrative Photographer of the Year-2017

Please see the website for the full year's program.

Below is the link to the latest newsletter from the FCC-Federation of Camera Clubs. Please take a look, it is packed with information about upcoming exhibitions and competitions you may want to visit or enter.

<https://photonsw.myphotoclub.com.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/149/2019/02/FCC-F-Stop-February-2019-1-2.pdf>

Karen Coleman has found an interesting article she wanted to share with you, titled: Portrait Photography: 'The Ultimate Resource for Making the Perfect Portrait'. Click on the hyperlink below to go straight to it.

<https://www.lightstalking.com/portrait-photography/>

Congratulations to Jodi McConaghy who is a finalist in the National Photographic Portrait Prize, with her Photograph 'Bum Fluff, 2017'.



Here is the link to the NPG:

<https://nppp.portrait.gov.au/>

Here is the link to vote for Jodi's portrait:

<https://nppp.portrait.gov.au/peoples-choice-award/?pc=3239>

EXHIBITION REVIEWED

Street Photography. During the 1930s-1950s there were many street photographers taking candid photos of people in Sydney CBD streets. It is estimated that over 2 million photos were sold during 1933-36. The photographers were mostly men but there were a few women too. Initially working illegally they were eventually issued with location licences from the late 1940s. Numerous companies operated such as 'Leicacograph Co', 'Mac's Photo Service' and 'Ace Photos' but many are unknown. Most operated out of small kiosks and provided either same day or 24-hour service. The exhibition is grouped under numerous headings with a small collection of contemporary re-imaginings by photo-media artist Anne Zahalka. This is a wonderful exhibition of mostly anonymous people going about their business. *Museum of Sydney, cnr Phillip and Bridge Sts, Sydney. Daily 10am-5pm. Until 21 July 2019. Paid entry.*

SHOWING

David Goldblatt: Photographs 1948-2018 Part of the 2018-19 Sydney International Art Series, a major retrospective exhibition of the late South African photographer David Goldblatt. *Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, 140 George Street The Rocks Sydney. Daily 10am-5pm; Wed 10am-9pm. Until 03 Mar 2019. Paid entry.*

Memories on Glass: The Macpherson Family Collection. A small exhibition of images reproduced from glass-plate negatives that are from the late 19th and early 20th century Sydney captured by the Macpherson family. A delightful historic exhibition. *State Library of NSW, New Exhibition Galleries, first floor, Mitchell Building, Macquarie Street Sydney. Mon-Fri 9am-5pm; Thu 9am-8pm; weekends 10am-5pm. Until 05 May 2019. Free.*

Australian Exotica. This travelling exhibition of contemporary Australian photographers is centred around the theme of the exotic antipodes (Australia). Photographers include Moffatt, Dombrovskis and Brook Andrew. Over half of the artists are of aboriginal descent and express aboriginal experiences through re-interpreting their history. This exhibition was reviewed in May 2018. *The Blue Mountains City Art Gallery, Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, 30 Parke Street Katoomba. Mon-Fri 10am-4pm; Sat & Sun 10am-2pm. Until 03 Mar 2019. Paid entry.*

OUT OF TOWN

As Still as Life. Robyn Stacey explores the photographic still-life tradition. *Monash Gallery of Art (MGA), 860 Ferntree Gully Road, Wheeler's Hill Victoria. Tue-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat-Sun 12-5pm. Until 04 Mar 2019. Free.*

Carte-o-mania! A group exhibition from the NPG Collection of the card sized carte de visite portraits that became a collectable craze around the gold rush period. *National Portrait Gallery, King Edward Terrace, Parkes ACT. Daily 10am-5pm. Until 22 Apr 2019. Fee may apply.*

GOING

#NewSelfWales. An interactive exhibition showing the face of NSW in 2018. You can share your portrait on instagram. A photographic portrait exhibition with a difference where your portrait will feature alongside portraits from the Libraries Collection. *State Library of NSW, Galleries Level 1, Mitchell Building, Macquarie Street Sydney. Mon-Fri 9am-5pm; Thu 9am-8pm; Weekends 10am-5pm. Until 10 Feb 2019. Free.*

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People's Choice Feb 2019



Judy Thistleton Martin

Congratulations Judy, this is a stunning capture. The composition and angle is fabulous, the lighting is exquisite, and the use of complimentary colours is divine. Also, the subtle texture adds another interesting layer that evokes agedness.

Supper Person: I would like to step down from the roll of supper person now that I am the president. So, the club is looking for a current member to be in charge of supper at each meeting. You will be responsible for purchasing milk, biscuits or cake on the nights we meet, and looking after the coffee/tea box. You will also need to tidy up at the end of each evening.

This is a very rewarding job, as most of the members have a cup of tea and a bikkie, and are very grateful/thankful. (I can vouch for this, having done the job for a few years).

Newsletter contributions

If you would like to make a contribution to the newsletter, please do not hesitate to send me an email: jodi@jtem.com.au

Contributions could include:

- Articles you have written or read that you think we would enjoy.
- Exhibitions you have seen or know are coming up.
- Excursions you think would be enjoyable.
- Ideas for club evenings, speakers, judges.
- Sales of gear.

See you all tonight.

Jodi
President