

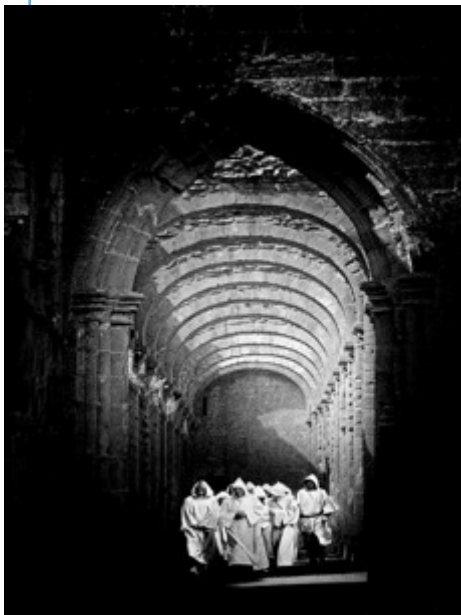


## Blue Mountains Photography Group

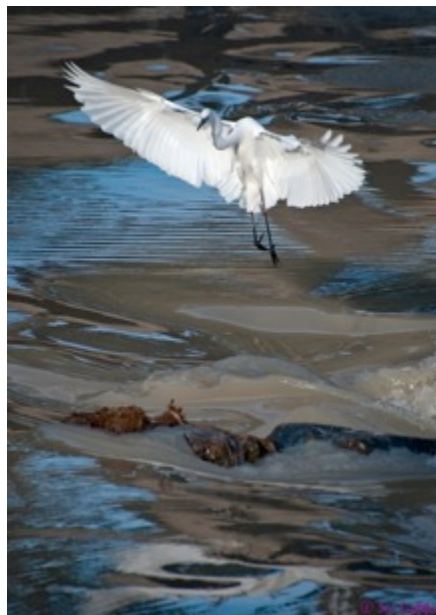
# FEBRUARY 2012

The Blue Mountains Photography Group aims to support our shared love of photography, by providing a forum in which to learn, develop skills, discuss images and encourage each other. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday nights each month at the Presbyterian Church hall, Macquarie Road, Springwood, 7.30 for 8pm. Visitors welcome.

## Images of the Year 2011



*Congratulations:*  
**Robyn Cook**  
"Fountain Abbey"  
Image of the Year - Mono



*Congratulations:*  
**Sue Lightfoot**  
"Bird"  
Image of the Year - Colour

## What's on this month:

### Monday 13:

Exhibition night – open (no theme), with Len Brown appraising our work

### Monday 20:

Welcome to new members – a welcome and information evening for all new & new-ish members and those interested in learning about the club.

### Monday 27:

Guest speaker MIKE STACEY will share his work, passion, inspiration and challenges as a photographer

### Upcoming Exhibition Nights:

March – Images captured with other devices  
April – Colour

## 2011 club competition winners

### OVERALL POINT SCORE WINNERS

1st Robyn Cook  
2nd Matt Clarke  
3rd Ian Watson

### MONO PRINTS

1<sup>st</sup> Matt Clarke  
2<sup>nd</sup> Robyn Cook  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ann Dent

### COLOUR PRINTS

1<sup>st</sup> David Thomas  
2<sup>nd</sup> Robin Murray  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mandy Ferretti

### DIGITAL IMAGES

1<sup>st</sup> Len Brown  
2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Baker  
3<sup>rd</sup> Anthony Judd

### MONO PRINTS - THEME

1<sup>st</sup> Matt Clarke  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jan O'Leary  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Watson

### COLOUR PRINTS - THEME

1<sup>st</sup> Ann Dent  
2<sup>nd</sup> Robyn Cook  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ross Wood

### DIGITAL - THEME

1<sup>st</sup> Anne Baker  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jeannie McInnes  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Watson

### IMAGE OF THE YEAR

#### MONO PRINTS

1<sup>st</sup> Robyn Cook  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Lightfoot  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ann Dent

#### COLOUR PRINTS

1<sup>st</sup> Sue Lightfoot  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jeannie McInnes  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dot Radley

#### DIGITAL IMAGES

1<sup>st</sup> Robyn Cook  
2<sup>nd</sup> Leannie Clarke  
3<sup>rd</sup> Anne Baker



*Congratulations:*

**Robyn Cook - "Paris Kids"**

Image of the Year - Digital

## Information for club exhibition nights

### Digital images for exhibition

We have been experiencing some problems in displaying digital images on club nights, taking a long time to upload images to the computer. A large part of the problem is due to the virus scan taking a long time to scan every thumb drive that is plugged into it, especially when drives have many files on them. If there were only a few files, the scan would take considerably less time to open images.

As a result of this, there is a change to the requirements for displaying digital images:

#### **IMAGES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 7:45pm**

#### **IMAGES MUST BE ON A THUMB DRIVE THAT CONTAINS ONLY THE IMAGES FOR THAT NIGHT**

This should not be difficult, with the price of thumb drives being so low these days. Keep a drive just for club night, and re-format it regularly!

Your assistance in this will make the night go more smoothly. Thanks everyone.

## Program for club exhibition nights

A big thank you must go to Shirley Steel for her work in putting together this year's program.

We continue our usual exhibition night and learning night each month, which this year will include 3 noted photographers sharing their work, their passion, their challenges and inspirations – in other words, what makes them tick as a photographer. These should be really interesting and enlightening. As well there are additional short workshops, a weekend away, and our big workshop in September. We are also being given the opportunity of an exhibition in a public gallery ... stay tuned for this exciting information!

What a great year ahead!

As there are still a few changes before the program is completed, it is not being included in this newsletter. The best place to see the entire program at this stage is on our website at:

[www.bmpg.org.au](http://www.bmpg.org.au) - members – programs – 2012 programs

To give you a chance to start preparing, here are the topics for exhibition nights:

- Open
- Images captured with devices other than your usual camera
- Colour
- In the style of Margaret Preston, Margaret Olley, Claude Monet, Henri Cartier-Bresson
- Seven Deadly Sins
- Portraiture of family or friends (ie someone familiar to you)
- Nature
- Macro
- Black and White
- Project of Passion

## Out and About – some exhibitions:

### Peter Elfes – THE GREEN DESERT

“After four years of rain, the Australian deserts are no longer vast sandy dust bowls; they are exploding with life of all kinds and turning into a colourful wonderland.” This exhibition displays Elfes’ aerial photographs of the beauty of Lake Eyre and the north-west of New South Wales.

PALM HOUSE, ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS – till 28 February, open 9:30am-5pm everyday

Level 1 CUSTOMS HOUSE, CIRCULAR QUAY – till 27 May, open 10am–7pm Mon-Fri, 11am-4pm Sat-Sun

### Sharon Hickey – DRAGON TO DRAGON – Chinese New Year Parade

Hickey has assembled images she took at Chinese New Year Celebrations since 2005.

“I’ve tried to capture the anticipation and excitement in my images, as well as the dazzling array of spectacular floats and colourful costumes in action as they travel along the parade route.”

Level 2 CUSTOMS HOUSE, CIRCULAR QUAY – till 1 March

### eight x eight – eight photographers, eight journeys, one exhibition

An exhibition of work from participants in Len Metcalf’s Masterclass 2011, including our own club members Matt Clarke, Sue Lightfoot, Jeannie McInnes, Shirley Steel and Judy Thistleton-Martin.

This is one for the diary – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March, in Glenbrook.

More information next month.

## From your BMPG Committee:

Welcome back to what promises to be an exciting year! Amongst all the special developmental activities designed to stretch and encourage you to develop your craft as a photographer, we have also moved to re-invest some of the profits from the workshop last year. In particular, we have:

1. Purchased a Colormunki calibrator to calibrate our PC and data projector screens, We hope this will result in more faithful reproduction of your digital images.
2. Put aside around \$3000 in savings earmarked for replacing the PC and/or data projector when the time arises;
3. Preparing to buy a monitor for use at exhibitions – will allow us to better display digital images during the evenings – a bit more air time for the images.
4. Booked Braemar Gallery in November for a 2 week exhibition of member's works – more to follow soon

We still have some money left for re-investment back into the club. The committee would like members to submit suggestions. You should nominate approximately how much money your idea might require and the rationale for the investment. These will be considered at the February and March committee meetings.

Greg Farmer

Welcome back to our club year for 2012.

Annual contributions / memberships are now due (\$40).

Your newsletter will continue as usual next month with information, reports and tips.

Any contributions happily received – just drop me a note at

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