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AKR 2022 Aaron Rose

**EXHIBITION** Until Sunday 1 December

Image: Aaron Rose, *The Princess's Nasty Aunty* (detail), 2017. Acrylic paint on paper.

**STARSTRUCK: ON LOCATION** National Portrait Gallery

**EXHIBITION** Until Sunday 1 December

Image: Deborah Mailman as Gail by Lisa Tomasetti, The Sapphires (detail), 2012. Courtesy Goalpost Pictures Australia Pty Ltd, National Film and Sound Archive of Australia.





# SPECIAL FOREVER: VOICES OF THE CHILDREN

Rosemarie Zalec and Sunraysia Primary Schools

**EXHIBITION** Until Sunday 1 December

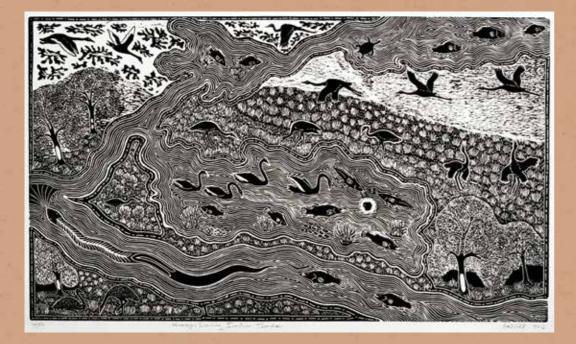
Image: Years 3 and 4, The Lake Primary School, *Treasures from the Bush* (detail), 2018.



ART DIRECTIONS 2019 Arts Educators

**EXHIBITION** Until Sunday 8 December

Image: Joanne Fraser, *Monsteras and Heliconias*, 2019. Digital print.



**BARKA: THE FORGOTTEN RIVER** Badger Bates and Justine Muller

**OPENING AND ARTIST TALK** 6pm, Thursday 5 December

**EXHIBITION** 

Thursday 5 December - Sunday 16 February Badger Bates and Justine Muller in collaboration with the Wilcannia community tell the story of Barka (the Darling River), that is the mother, cultural and economic lifeblood for the Aboriginal communities living alongside.

The exhibition portrays the beauty of a river, teetering on the brink of destruction, and the pride and resilience of its people.

Image: Badger Bates, *Warrego Darling Junction, Toorale,* 2012. Linoprint.



ALWAYS SOMETHING TO PAINT André Schmidt

**OPENING** 6pm, Thursday 12 December

**EXHIBITION** Thursday 12 December - Sunday 23 February Renowned local artist André Schmidt's prodigious practice is afforded rare consideration through this exhibition that surveys just some of his works.

Inspired by his surroundings, Schmidt's skilful handling of paint mediums including oils and acrylics is evident in large landscapes, portraits and interior scenes, most often executed *en plein air.* 

Image: André Schmidt, *Arrangement in White*, 2019. Acrylic on board.



# MASTERPIECES... FROM THE COLLECTION

**EXHIBITION** Friday 13 December – Sunday 1 March

**CURATOR'S TALK** 1.30pm, Saturday 18 January Step out of the heat this summer and be dazzled by an exhibition of masterpieces from the Mildura Arts Centre Collection. Works by Degas, Brangwyn and Orpen are accompanied by that of Australian artists such as Frederick McCubbin and Mary Cecil Allen.

This curated selection spans genres from landscapes to portraits, demonstrating the diverse and rich array of techniques and styles explored by well-renowned artists. The French Impressionism of Edgar Degas's beautiful Femme à la baignoire se coiffant, c.1894, evidences his refined and exquisite handling of pastel. Society portraitist, war artist and socialite Sir William Orpen's particular Anglo-Irish persona is captured in two self-portraits painted 13 years apart, Self-portrait with Glasses, 1907, and Self-Portrait, 1920, while his fascination with women of strong character is explored in the stunning paintings Portrait of Grace, 1907. Madame Errázuriz, 1915 and Portrait of Anna Paylova 1920

Sir Frank Brangwyn's extensive output across varied mediums balances Orpen's concerns with that of a more masculine sensibility. Brangwyn's The Torn Shirt, and Wine, 1909, a reappropriate selections to highlight his Anglo-Welsh perspective and the breadth of his thematic interests.

Image: Edgar Degas, Femme à la baignoire se coiffant, c.1894. Pastel on paper. Mildura Arts Centre Collection. Senator R D Elliott Bequest, presented to the City of Mildura by Mrs Hilda Elliott, 1956. Photo © Krystal Seigerman.



**THE WEALTH OF WOMEN** Mildura Arts Centre Collection

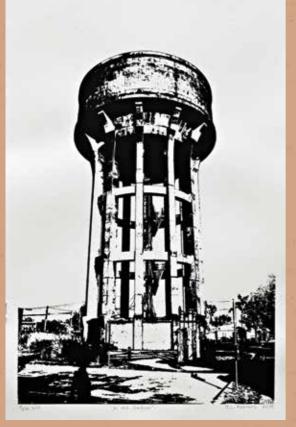
EXHIBITION

Thursday 20 February – Sunday 19 April

Sunday 8 March is International Women's Day for which we are asked to 'actively choose to challenge stereotypes, fight bias, broaden perceptions, improve situations and celebrate women's achievements.'

In this exhibition attention is focused on the achievements of women artists whose sculptures have, and continue to, challenge biases in a discipline that traditionally privileged men. All works are drawn from the Mildura Arts Centre Collection and demonstrate how the creative practice of women sculptors have contributed to broadening perceptions of what it means to work in three-dimensional forms. From Inge King to Yvonne Koolmatrie, Antonia Chaffey to Lorraine Connelly-Northey, Danielle Hobbs to Judy Holding, *The Wealth of Women* is a celebration of visual diversity and tactile innovation in sculpture.

Image: Yvonne Koolmatrie, *Hot Air Balloon* (detail), 2004. Cyperus gymnocaulos. Mildura Arts Centre Collection. Acquired 2004.



# THROUGH MY EYES Michele Hermans

**OPENING** 6pm, Friday 21 February

**EXHIBITION** Friday 21 February – Sunday 19 April

I left Australia in 1991 to make Finland my home, however it is not Nordic landscapes that inspire me. It is the eclectic architecture and bustling streets of Melbourne, and the nature and country life of rural Victoria where I grew up, that are depicted in my screenprints. These images are evocative of why Australia, even after decades of living abroad, still feels like home.

My process begins with a scene that catches my eye through the lens of my camera. I then transform the photographic image into a digital illustration by removing colour and tone. Layer by layer I reveal the hidden details. Using black ink on white paper my final print is reminiscent of comic book style images.

Michele Hermans, 2019.

Image: Michele Hermans, *In the shadow*, 2019. Screenprint.



## MIRROR MEDITATIONS: CONTRASTING TENSION AND CONTENTMENT Alexandra Rosenblum

**OPENING** 6pm, Thursday 27 February

#### **EXHIBITION**

Thursday 27 February – Sunday 10 May

Alexandra Rosenblum is an artist working in a variety of photographic mediums to explore the binaries of self-actualisation. Using photography to investigate concepts encompassing duality, vulnerability and tension, Alexandra produces photographs that are alluring yet evoke a feeling of anxiety.

This project utilises an analogue photographic practice to explore natural light in various environments as a symbol of the duality of anxiety and peace.

Encompassing traditional dark room processing with unconventional forms in order to develop the work into a personal expression.

Alexandra Rosenblum's photography becomes a platform that provides the viewer access to the artist's fragility and trauma whilst also encouraging self-reflection.

Image: Alexandra Rosenblum, *Hide* (detail), 2017. Fine art print.

## THEATRE



# A CELTIC CHRISTMAS

By A Taste of Ireland

# SHOWING

7pm, Sunday 15 December

Immerse yourself in an authentic Celtic experience by laughing, clapping and singing along to carols under the mistletoe. With an all new story, *A Celtic Christmas* transports the audience to a time and place where music and dance are the cornerstones of celebration.

A Celtic Christmas brings the magic of Christmas in Ireland, down under and to Mildura for the very first time.

Duration110 minutes (interval)TicketsFull \$69.90 | Concession \$64.90Full Time Student \$64.90Groups 8+ \$64.90ppChild 3-13 \$49.90

## **WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS**



#### **RIO VISTA GUIDED TOUR**

#### WHEN

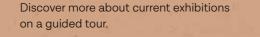
11am, Saturday 7 and 21 December 4 and 18 January 1, 15 and 29 February Discover more about the history of Mildura's most important heritage house, and learn more about the infamous Chaffey family, in a guided tour of Rio Vista Historic House.

Duration30 minutesEntryFree

## **GALLERY GUIDED TOUR**

## WHEN

1.30pm, Saturday 14 December 18 January\* 15 February



\*Curator's Talk on Masterpieces... from the Collection

Duration30 minutesEntryFree



## A SOCIAL JOURNALING AFTERNOON

WHEN 2pm, Saturday 18 January

Play with images, words, and mixed-media in your journal during this casual drop-in session.

Duration120 minutesEntryFree

# A SOCIAL DRAWING AFTERNOON

WHEN 2pm, Saturday 14 December 15 February

A self-directed drawing session for people who love to draw.

Duration120 minutesEntryFree



# NGV KIDS ON TOUR 2020 PROGRAM: PLAYTIME

*NGV Kids on Tour* is a National Gallery of Victoria initiative that offers children and families throughout regional and metropolitan Victoria the opportunity to engage with art through a range of free, hands-on activities and workshops. The theme for 2020 is PLAYTIME.



## **DRAWING GAMES**

WHEN 10.30am, Tuesday 7 January

# **MYSTERY MAKING**

A blob of soft modelling clay can be turned into anything with a little making skill and a lively imagination! Players will take turns rolling dice, and create mystery objects for their friends and family to identify.

## MYTHICAL CREATURES

Players create drawings of mythical creatures when they play this drawing game. The roll of the dice determines whether it will be a friendly monster or a fiery dragon.

### **Ages** 5-12

Duration60 minutesEntryFree (Bring an adult)Limited numbersBookings essential



## **KAWS: PLAYTIME**

WHEN 10.30am, Thursday 9 January

### MAKE A FRIEND FOR BFF

Artist Brian Donnelly, aka KAWS, creates sculptures that are filled with human feeling and emotion. This activity, featuring KAWS's character BFF, highlights friendship and acts of kindness, when children draw a friend for BFF.

### PLAYTIME

This activity invites children to play with letters, spell new words and when complete, take their kit home to display proudly in their room.

Ages5–12Duration60 minutesEntryFree (Bring an adult)Limited numbersBookings essential

# ALEXANDER CALDER: ANIMAL SHAPES

#### WHEN

10am - 5pm, Monday 13 - Monday 27 January

Artist Alexander Calder's love of animals began at a young age and stayed with him throughout his career. When he was just 11 years old, Calder sculpted three-dimensional dog and duck figures from a piece of flat brass sheet metal and presented them to his parents as Christmas gifts.

In this self-directed, drop-in activity, children will create their own animal to take home. Children may require the assistance of an accompanying adult.

Ages	3+
Entry	Free

Images: © National Gallery of Victoria, Photographic Services.



# THEATRE TOUR

### WHEN

10.30am and 1.30pm, Wednesday 8 and Friday 10 January

Learn more about Mildura Arts Centre Theatre on a backstage tour, and discover how the magic of theatre is brought to life.

## Ages All ages

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult Duration 30 minutes Entry Free Limited numbers | Bookings essential



**ZINE WORKSHOP** with Prue Hobbs

WHEN 11am, Tuesday 14 January

Secondary school age participants will be guided by artist and art teacher Prue Hobbs to create their own zine (pronounced zeen). Zines are small-circulation, self-published magazines, inspired by a love of image and text. Zines can be influenced by art, music, storytelling, comedy, cartoons, social commentary, current affairs – anything goes!

Ages12-18Duration240 minutes. BYO lunchEntryFreeLimited numbersBookings essential

Image: Mildura Zine Fair 2019.



LIVE MUSIC | ENTERTAINMENT | KIDS ACTIVITIES FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE | NO BYO ALCOHOL





MIRROR METAPHORS: AN ALTERNATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP with Alexandra Rosenblum

## WHEN 10am and 2pm, Saturday 29 February

#### WHERE

The Benetook Room, Alfred Deakin Centre, 180–190 Deakin Avenue, Mildura.

Explore the art of alternative photographic practices in this workshop. Chemigrams, photograms and lumen prints are experimental artistic methods where an image is made by placing an object onto light sensitive paper. Using resists and objects such as minerals, organic matter, oils and wax, participants will explore techniques in developing chemigrams and photograms using the concepts exhibited in Alexandra's work *Mirror Meditations*, at Mildura Arts Centre, Thursday 27 February – Sunday 10 May. Alexandra Rosenblum is an artist working in a variety of photographic mediums to explore the binaries of self-actualisation. Using photography to investigate concepts encompassing duality, vulnerability and tension, Alexandra produces photographs that are alluring yet evoke a feeling of anxiety. The artist's photography becomes a platform that provides the viewer access to the artist's fragility and trauma whilst also encouraging self-reflection.

Ages14–18Duration180 minutesEntryFreeLimited numbersBookings essential

Image: Alexandra Rosenblum, *Creek Bed* (*Silverton*) (detail), 2018. Chemigram silver gelatin print: ruby salt bush, dust, eucalyptus, ethanol, kangaroo fat, exposed for 12 hours, developed in caffenol.

Mildura Arts Centre and Circus Oz present AURORA CIRCUS OZ

**WHEN** 7pm, Saturday 21 March

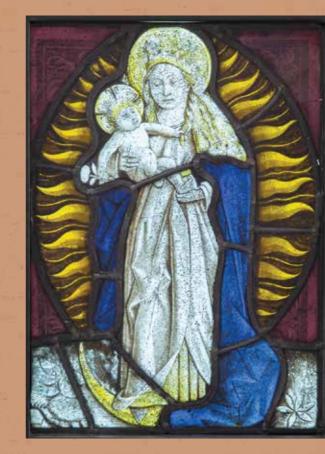
Fun for the whole family. All ages

Image: *Aurora*, Spenser Inwood, Circus Oz. Photography Rob Blackburn.









# **GREAT MOVEMENTS OF FEELING** A NETS Victoria touring exhibition

**EXHIBITION** Thursday 7 May – Sunday 12 July

Curator Zara Sigglekow

#### Artists

Megan Cope (Quandamooka), Helen Grogan (Australia), Nik Pantazopoulos (Australia), Stuart Ringholt (Australia), Sriwhana Spong (New Zealand /United Kingdom), Sue Williamson (South Africa).

Image: Artist unknown, *Flemish Stained glass*, c. late 15th century, 27 cm x 20 cm, Australian Catholic University Art Collection Acquired 2017. Courtesy of ACU University © ACU University.



## **ABOUT US**

Mildura Arts Centre 199 Cureton Avenue Mildura VIC 3500 Open 10am – 5pm daily Closed Christmas Day, Wednesday 25 December Free entry

# MILDURA ARTS CENTRE CAFÉ / BAR

Our seasonal menu embraces local produce and supports local businesses.

Open 10am – 2pm daily, and for all performances and events.

### **BOOKING INFORMATION**

Box Office opens 10am – 5pm daily Telephone (03) 5018 8330 Website: milduraartscentre.com.au

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#### **BOX OFFICE**

Opens 60 minutes prior to performance times.

#### **Refunds Policy**

No refunds are possible once a booking is made.

#### **Exchange Policy**

Customers can exchange seats to a performance up until 30 minutes prior to an event, at a cost of \$3 per transaction.

#### Concessions

Mildura Arts Centre may offer concessions to full-time students, pensioners, seniors and healthcare cardholders. Concession cards and ID must be shown when presenting tickets or the full price may be charged.

#### Gift Vouchers

Available to purchase at the Box Office or online.

#### **VENUE HIRE**

Owned and operated by Mildura Rural City Council, Mildura Arts Centre is the region's cultural and creative hub.

If you would like to hire the theatre, public foyer, lawns and sculpture park, café or the veranda of Rio Vista Historic House, please contact us.

Mildura Station Homestead, located one kilometre from Mildura Arts Centre, is a reconstruction of the property owned by the Chaffey family. The historic riverside site has several facilities for hire and is popular for events from meetings to music festivals. Hire is via Mildura Arts Centre.

#### **ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION**

Mildura Arts Centre offers a range of services and facilities to make it more accessible.

#### **Hearing Assistance**

The theatre is fitted with a hearing loop which audience members can access direct to their hearing aids or cochlear implants. Please ask for more information.

#### Wheelchair Access

Wheelchair access is available from the street or the car park at the rear of Mildura Arts Centre. Entrance to the theatre auditorium is via main doors 1 or 2.

Areas Without Wheelchair Access Theatre auditorium doors 3 and 4 Gallery 5 Rio Vista Historic House

#### **Accessible Seating**

Accessible seating is available in the theatre, please call the Box Office for more details.

# CONNECT WITH MILDURA ARTS CENTRE

Want to find out what is happening at Mildura Arts Centre? Visit our website and sign up to our e-news. Join us on social media.

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## **ARTS AMBASSADORS**

We are looking for passionate people to volunteer at MAC and become Arts Ambassadors.

#### **444 FOUNDATION**

You are invited to donate through the 444 Foundation Donor program and invest in the future development of Mildura Arts Centre.

For information on how to become a 444 Foundation Donor or a Volunteer, call (03) 5018 8330 or email arts\_centre@mildura.vic.gov.au

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