# 13th TAURANGA AUDIO VISUAL SALON 2023



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Organised by the Tauranga Photographic Society

Affiliated to the Photographic Society of New Zealand



Front Row from left: Carol Tanner (Hospitality) Jenny Whitcombe (Tech) Vivianne Baldwin (Judge), Trish McAuslan (Judge) Elizabeth Carruthers (Judge). Back Row: Matt Leamy (Judge), Alistair McAuslan (Judge Co-ordinator), Barb Lewis (Registrar), Richard Baldwin (Tech), Linda Mannix (Tech), Paul Byrne (Judge) Bob McCree (Judge)

#### From the Judge's Table

Congratulations to everyone who entered an AV into this year's salon. It is true to say that we enjoyed watching all of them. In discussion the judges made a number of observations which we would like to share with you. Without a doubt the most often heard comment was 'less is more'. There were times when it seemed as if the author had a lot of photos that they really liked and they were determined to show them to us regardless of whether they were needed to tell the story or not. We would suggest watching your AV critically several times and removing any images or sequences that were not needed to tell the story. There were times when images looked as though they had not been post processed. It is important to check each image, including removing dust spots and dealing with unacceptable noise. We would recommend cropping each image to the same ratio so that the frame of each image remains the same. It can be quite distracting if the frame changes with each image change. While we are considering image size, if possible only use images that are in landscape orientation. If images frequently change from landscape to portrait and back to landscape again, it can become quite distracting. Finally when adding a narration to an AV avoid telling us what we can see in the images. Instead add extra value to your story by telling us something that we cannot see just by looking at the images.

# **CHAMPION AUDIO-VISUAL**

John Hodgson OAM, EFIAP/b, AV-EFIAP, FAPS AV-MAPS, ESFIAP, Hon FAPS

Australia

X-posed



# **NOVICE (NZ only)**

Barb Lewis New Zealand Ocean Sport



Tauranga Audio Visual Salon 2023

### **THEME**



#### WINNER

Brendan Gillan
United Kingdom
The Traveller

Following the death of his wife, a man is consumed by grief and loneliness.

#### **MERIT**



Brian Harvey ARPS
United Kingdom
A Time To Reflect

Autumn is a season to reflect on the past year.



Peter Thomas APSSA DPSSA South Africa Crosses On A Hillside

An AV about the horrors of Farm Murders in South Africa and the White Cross Monument commemorating every farmer, his wife and family that were murdered during a farm attack.



Marcel Batist AV-EFIAP Netherlands *Graveyard Clearance Is Coming* 

Interests diverge over the future of an old cemetery. Emotions play a major role in bereaved families. Time is ticking away and the outcome is uncertain.



Cynthia Henley-Smith LAPS AV-AAPS Australia Not So Different

This AV makes a comparison between children's art and the art of early civilizations.



Friso Woudstra FPSSA AV APSSA vers South Africa Seasons In The Overberg

The Overberg region in the Western Cape of South Africa is mainly a grain producing area and will attract photographers from all over.

### **ACCEPTANCE**



Sheryl Williams APSNZ New Zealand A Floral Rainbow

A floral journey through the macro lens following the colours of the rainbow.



John Burford APSNZ New Zealand A Silly Africa Story

This could be a documentary or a nature entry. But it's a bit too silly for either of those categories.



Martin Addison FRPS
United Kingdom
Floral Dreams
Drifting through an English garden in summer.



Malcolm Imhoff BEd, FRPS, FACI(M) United Kingdom At Westonbirt

The trees in the Forestry Commission arboretum at Westonbirt, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, seen here in their autumn glory, provide the setting, and the characters, for a Shakespeare sonnet.



Ian Bateman FRPS MPAGB AV-AFIAP APAGB United Kingdom *Holloway* 

A holloway is an ancient drover's road, sunken into the earth by centuries of use.



Sheila Haycox ARPS; MPAGB/AV- EFIAP United Kingdom *Holsworthy Market* 

Holsworthy Market is a Livestock Market in a rural area of Devonshire and this shows the working and social lives of farmers going to the market.



Raymond Hughes ARPS AIPF DPAGB
United Kingdom
Picture Postcards Of Ireland
A series of images of Ireland just for the memory.



Netherlands

Planet Unica

It's only at the end of the AV that you realize what you've been looking at.



Bob McCree FPSNZ New Zealand Reflections Of A Car Show

A close up interpretation of shape and form, in abstract, of reflections of, and at, a vintage car show.



Sheryl Williams APSNZ New Zealand *The Masks We Wear* 

Ger Sauer

Steampunk; an opportunity to get your freak on; a chance to don a costume, a mask and dare to become something else, to indulge your inner wild child.



Alan Lyons AIPF HonAPSI Ireland *The Sun* 

Reflections on the sun's power and the great and little effects it has on our daily lives.



Martin Addison FRPS United Kingdom Venezia Noir

Night in Venice has its own magic.

# MUSIC POETRY AND SONG



#### WINNER

Ian Bateman FRPS MPAGB AV-AFIAP APAGB
United Kingdom
Barcelona

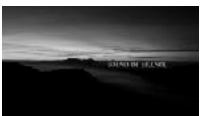
A visit to Barcelona, set to the iconic song by Freddie Mercury and Montserrat Caballe.

# **MERIT**



Ger Sauer Netherlands *Amen* 

During travels in Europe I have visited many churches and other holy places and taken many photos. This series is a compilation of these visits.



Ger Sauer Netherlands Sound Of Silence

This series wants to show that loneliness also occurs in a city with many people around you.



Bob McCree FPSNZ New Zealand Sunset Poem

A visual interpretation of a Dylan Thoms poem, "Eli Jenkins Prayer", sung by a Welsh Men's Choir.



Eric Thorburn APSSA (Vers) AV-APSSA South Africa The Peace Of Wild Things

Wendell Berry's poem illustrates how the restorative power of Nature can alleviate feelings of anxiety and fear.

#### **ACCEPTANCE**



Harry Cartner
Canada
Look Into My Eyes

I love eyes, particularly on graffiti. This show is based on 'eyes' from graffiti that I have photographed. It's set to the music "Look Into My Eyes".

Interpreting a poem written solely for people in an Irish graveyard.



Sheila Haycox ARPS; MPAGB/AV- EFIAP United Kingdom
Lost But Not Forgotten



Mike Pill ARPS, DPAGB/AV United Kingdom Raindrops - Journey To The Sea

A poem about the journey of raindrops down to the sea and how it meets the sea on its rocky shore.



Marcel Batist AV-EFIAP Netherlands On The Edge Of The Swamp

Wet nature areas sometimes turn into a swamp. On the edge of accessibility and sinking you will find characteristic natural elements.



Colin Harrison MFIAP EFIAPd3 MPSA United Kingdom Mad World

People, animals and places looked at from unusual viewpoints.



Peter Thomas APSSA DPSSA
South Africa
So God Made A Dog
AV of the poem So God Made a Dog, author unknown.



Irmel Dunaiski South Africa Teach Your Children Well

While observing and photographing a lion family's interactions, a sense of wanting to reflect this experience in an Audio Visual grew.



Brendan Gillan United Kingdom The Land of Story-books

All children should have opportunities to read so that their sense of wonder is nurtured and they can dream and imagine within the new worlds they discover.

# **DOCUMENTARY**



#### **WINNER**

John Hodgson OAM, AV-EFIAP, AV-MAPS Australia X-Posed

An exploration of the author's sixty year involvement in photography and the various types of subjects he has worked on in order to interest others in photography.

#### **MERIT**



Ian Bateman FRPS MPAGB AV-AFIAP APAGB United Kingdom The Chapel, the Devil, and the Bar of Soap

The painting "Salem" is said to harbour a secret message from the artist.



Sheila Haycox ARPS, MPAGB/AV, EFIAP United Kingdom A Way of Life

Morocco is a land of variety and this is about a trip into the barren landscapes of the Sahara Desert and the Atlas Mountains area.



Liam Haines L.I.P.F. Ireland

Shangri La

Shangri La is the story of how a remote village, which, when faced with disaster, turned its fortunes around.



Gordon Nicklin United Kingdom Parson Hawker

A truly eccentric Cornish vicar. He dressed unconventionally, wrote poetry, smoked opium and introduced the modern harvest festival to his parish.



Alastair Taylor ARPS, DPAGB United Kingdom That Picture

Sometimes a visit to an iconic place transcends photography. What is it about this place which leaves such a feeling. How do you capture the beauty in a single image?

#### **ACCEPTANCE**



Alastair Taylor ARPS, DPAGB United Kingdom A Mother's Son

The tragedy of the First World War. A mother learns some tragic news days after the end of the conflict. The futility and stupidity of war is the message.



Cynthia Henley-Smith LAPS, AV-AAPS Australia Bloodline of Roses

This AV shows the contribution one South Australian family has made and is making to the development of rose varieties and their availability to the public.



Cynthia Henley-Smith LAPS, AV-AAPS Australia Outdoor Gallery

The small South Australian country town of Millicent has many murals by a variety of interstate and local artists.



Colin Harrison MFIAP EFIAPd3 MPSA United Kingdom Bodie

Bodie State Park is a genuine Californian gold mining ghost town. It looks much the same as it did many years after the residents left.



Graham Phillips Australia Dihydrogen Oxide

Our world is dominated by Dihydrogen Oxide but only a small percentage is safe.



Graham Phillips Australia Gift of Guangdong

Located within Sydney's busy Darling Harbour precinct is the Chinese Garden of Friendship, a place of tranquility.



Malcolm Imhoff FRPS FACI(M) AV-AFIAP United Kingdom *Island of the Dead*No final resting place.



Jan Gres AZSF, MZSF Slovakia *Fire* 

Last year, the "Czech Switzerland" National Park was affected by a huge fire that lasted for several weeks. This slideshow documents the sad state of the forest after seven months.



Jan Gres AZSF, MZSF Slovakia *Hill of Crosses* 

Crosses were planted in the Lithuania already in the 19th century, in memory of those who died in the fight against Russian slavery. How many are there? A million? More?



Bruce Burgess FPSNZ New Zealand Memorial to 9-11

New York's 9-11 memorial provides a deeply moving experience so that loved ones are remembered with dignity and honour.



Ger Sauer Netherlands *Mogarraz* 

In the village of Mogarraz, an artist made paintings of the inhabitants and attached them to the facades of the houses.



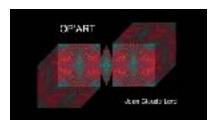
Eric Thorburn APSSA (Vers) AV-APSSA South Africa Nongqawuse Prophetess of Doom

When Settlers in the Cape expanded eastwards they came into conflict with the Xhosa. A young Prophetess had a powerful vision which led to tragic starvation of the tribe.



Barb Lewis New Zealand Ocean Sport

Waihi Beach hosted the North Island and Transtasman Surfboat Challenge - there's always lots to see.



Jean Claude LEROI France *OP'ART* 

OP'ART, expression due to Victor Vasarely and others artist representing a new artistically concept, the Optical Art, in the 70 years. Victor Vasarely was a Hungarian artist, French naturalised in 1990.



Mark Allen MSc, BA, MPAGB/AV United Kingdom Photographers Paradise

This is my idea of paradise. This is a staggering part of the world, unsurpassable in its outstanding beauty. At every turn, there are wonders to explore.



Mike Pill ARPS, DPAGB/AV United Kingdom Slate

A short documentary about Welsh slate mining and its demise.



Ruth Benson EFIAP, QPSA, FAPS Australia The Beehives of Purnululu

A documentary looking at the history and basic geology of the Bungle Bungle Ranges, a world heritage site in the North of Western Australia.



Ruth Benson EFIAP, QPSA, FAPS Australia The Statues Of Lake Ballard

A short documentary looking at the history of the statues of Lake Ballard, a salt lake in Western Australia.



Ian Bateman FRPS MPAGB AV-AFIAP APAGB United Kingdom *The Oregon Vortex* 

A valley in the south of Oregon is noted for its strange optical illusions.



Wallace Close AV-AAPS LAPS Australia This is Miyajima

The island, commonly known as Miyajima, is located opposite Hiroshima. The sequence outlines the religious significance of the island which explains its unusual land-use pattern.

# THE WORLD OF NATURE



#### **WINNER**

Trish McAuslan FPSNZ, FAPS, EFIAP/b, AV-AAPS
New Zealand
White Fronted Terns of Hairini Bridge

A small group of white fronted terns nest in central Tauranga.

Generally they ignore the cyclists, pedestrians and photographers who stop to see what is happening in the colony.

#### **MERIT**



Sheryl Williams APSNZ New Zealand Bryce Canyon

Bryce Canyon is famous for it's unique geology of vividly coloured, horseshoe-shaped amphitheatres and 'hoodoos' carved from the eastern edge of the Paunsaugunt Plateau in southern Utah, USA.



Sheryl Williams APSNZ New Zealand Central Otago Autumn

Central Otago is renowned for its brilliant autumn colours usually in April. A rich tapestry of visually stunning displays from the many varieties of deciduous trees growing throughout the area.



Irmel Dunaiski South Africa Cape Splendor

Kogelberg, a World Heritage Site in the Western Cape, South Africa, with its exceptional flora and fauna diversity is considered the heart of the Cape Floral Kingdom.



Sheila Haycox ARPS, MPAGB/AV, EFIAP United Kingdom *Pelicans Of Lake Kerkini* 

Viewing the behaviour of the Dalmatian Pelicans on Lake Kerkini, Greece.

#### **ACCEPTANCE**



Jan Gres AZSF, MZSF Slovakia Trees

Legend has it that these trees are over 350 years old. They were allegedly planted by the Turks when they occupied southern Slovakia.

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