

BURRINJA CLIMATE CHANGE BIENNALE

THE HEAT IS ON



3 DEC 2022 - 26 FEB 2023



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Burrinja Climate Change Biennale acknowledges that all of these events and experiences take place on the stolen lands of the Wurundjeri and Boon Wurrung people. Always was. Always will be.



Award Exhibition | 44 local & interstate artists

3 DEC 2022 – 25 FEB 2023 | *Burrinja Gallery*

At the centre of the Biennale is its Award Exhibition, which provides a space for artists to engage creatively and imaginatively with aspects of climate change. The exhibition invites and encourages the collaboration of science and arts, of critical thought and creative practise. This year the Award Exhibition is exhibiting works from 44 local & national artists, each responding to the curatorial provocation “THE HEAT IS ON.”

Participating artists: Amanda Page, Amanda Ruck, Anthony Breslin, Anton Hasell, Callum Watson, Cara-Ann Simpson (QLD), Cathy Ronalds, Ches Mills, Chris Lawry, Clare James, Elizabeth Gleeson, Emily Lowe, Emma Jennings, Fast Fashion, Florence Wang, Jacqueline Christians, Jenny Reddin, Jessie Yvette Jourmoud-Ryan, John Krzywokulski, Joy Serwylo, Katherine Boland (NSW), Kenny Pittock, Kerri Hollingsworth & Norton Fredericks, Kirsten Laken, Laki Sideris & Gretel Taylor, Lesley Rosochodski, Liz Walker, Martha Breninger, Marilyn Litchfield, Neville Cichon (SA,) Nina Killham, Poppy Somers, Rain White, Rebecca Wolske, Robyn Veneer Sweeney (NSW), Sarah Delaney (NT), Sarah Dute, Sarah Newall, Shani Black (NSW), Shyanne Clarke (QLD), Simon Welsh (NSW), Steven Firman, Zoe Irving.



Top 50 Green Emotions | George Akl

3 DEC 2022 – 11 FEB 2023 | *aerie gallery at Burrinja*

Top 50 Green Emotions provides an opportunity to reflect on the multidimensional complexities of climate change.

A deeply distilled documentary presented in a rhizomatic installation. Allowing the viewer to go on an adventure via their own political aesthetics by exploring the cacophony of voices, images, theories, propaganda, geo-politics and personal interests that have been captured in the work.



Yerrin biik dhumba

Aunty Kim Wandin, Chris Joy and Ryan Tews with Lewin Wandin-Bursill

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Yerrin biik dhumba means ‘bush country speaks’ (in the past and present). Through this work Aunty Kim Wandin, Chris Joy and Ryan Tews with Lewin Wandin-Bursill aim to encourage people to listen to the bush as an active, living, and dynamic entity with an important message for us.



Hot Reels | Outdoor cinema screening

8PM / **11 FEB 2023** | *The Park at Burrinja*

Watch screen-based art and performance works that offer evocative and affecting perspectives on the climate crisis on the lawn at Burrinja. Bring your picnic, enjoy a local sustainability fair and have a go generating power via bicycle for an inspiring summer evening under the stars.

Hot Reels Filmmakers: Deborah White, Ian Gibbins, Gabrielle Leah New, Adam Sebire, LunaSea Studio, Meiwah Williams, Gus Armstrong, Linda Luke and Martin Fox, Edwina Green, Peachy and Mosig, Autumn Tansey.

Pedal Power outdoor cinema by Little Projector Co.

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FRONT COVER: Neville Cichon, 'Climate Report', pigment print, 40 x 30cm, 2021. • AWARD EXHIBITION: Kenny Pittock, 'The World's Gone Pear Shaped (Twice-bitten)', Acrylic on ceramic, 11 x 8 x 8 cm, Edition 2 of 6. • TOP 50 GREEN EMOTIONS George Akl. • LIVE ACTIONS Niki Shi and collaborators, Biome. • YERRIN BIK DHUMBA YERRIN BIK DHUMBA Aunty Kim Wandin, Chris Joy, Ryan Tews and Lewis Wandin-Bursill, 'Forest Scene with Carving', still from moving image • HOT REELS Dubitatur Tensio, Gus Armstrong. • CONSEQUENCE Michelle Stewart, 'Our Victorian Fauna Emblems', Recycled cast glass. • KELLATIE - DEEP WATER Amanda Wright, 'Aqua', acrylic on canvas, 52cm x 40cm, 2022 • TEMPERANCE Ryan Tews, 'Temperance', digital print.



Live Actions

FEB 2023 | Various locations across Yarra Ranges

Live Actions expands climate change-responsive art across the stunning sites of Yarra Ranges through February 2023 in lively embodied forms. Five exciting projects engage communities with opportunities to walk, listen, witness performance and care for Country.

- Lung Trees | Peter McIlwain | 1st - 26th Feb
- Hope Concert | Nat Bartsch | 4th Feb at 6pm | Alfred Nicholas Gardens, Sherbrooke
- Climate Distraction | Environmental Performance Authority (EPA) | 18th Feb 12pm & 3pm | Osprey Track, Mount Dandenong
- Lend a Hand at Coranderk | Uncle Dave Wandin & Darren Wandin | 25th Feb 10am-2pm | Coranderk Nature Reserve, Badger Creek
- Biome | Niki Shi & collaborators | 26th Feb 4pm & 6pm | Forecourt, Inspiro Community Health Hub, Belgrave



Consequence | Michelle Stewart

7 DEC 2022 – 12 FEB 2023 | The Memo, Healesville

Michelle Stewart has a profound concern for the forests and natural landscapes that she lives in. This exhibition of glass sculpture and jewellery speaks to this weighty disquiet.



Temperance | Ryan Tews

20 JAN – 12 MAR 2023 | Arts Centre Warburton

“Glancing of a lens at the wonder of the ancient Gondwanan flora, which around us remain.”

The relic rainforests in so called “Australia” are the surviving descendants of the original plant life that used to cover the whole continent. These were the original forests. Covering now less than 0.25 percent of the land, these ancient plant community ecosystems are on the brink.



Kellatie - deep water | Amanda Wright

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Kellatie - deep water presents bold and striking portraits by Boronia-based Nuenonne artist Amanda Wright. Inspired by conversations with her grandmother, these works speak of her family's spiritual connection to water, the oceans and rivers.

Arts Centre Warburton

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The Memo, Healesville

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Global in nature, national in scope and local in action, the Burrinja Climate Change Biennale provides a platform to address one of the most pressing topics of our time.

Uniquely situated in the temperate rainforest micro-climate of the Dandenong Ranges on Melbourne's eastern fringes, its location offers the perfect backdrop for local and global community knowledge networks to share, learn and expand through the Biennale's wide-ranging public program and macro-themes.



The 2022/23 Burrinja Climate Change Biennale offers solace, hope and space for difficult conversations.

With natural disasters and heightened anxieties dominating our contemporary experience, artists have adopted the responsibility of bringing focus to a global crisis, through a hyper local lens.

This year the exhibition program extends across Burrinja, Yarra Ranges Regional Museum, The Memo (Healesville) and Arts Centre Warburton, with events and live actions across ngurrak barrinj/RidgeWalk, with public program events at Your Library and many more locations over summer.

Under the theme 'The Heat Is On', the Biennale seeks to champion and amplify the voices of artists from around so-called Australia whose works reflect on the past, interrogate the present and speculate on a future of shared responsibility that we so desperately need.

How might we slow down and listen to Country in the midst of emergency? What chance for pause and reflection does crisis bring us? What key learnings can we accept with thanks from our First Nations communities? These are some of the key questions that have driven our program this year, and we hope they inspire you to engage with curiosity and care.

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