



CINEMAWORKS

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A proposal for an Australian Image Hall of Fame

“Music means nothing – unless it is performed”. Benjamin Britten.

Films too !

Introduction: For over 65 years I have been a Documentary Filmmaker and Photojournalist – with a passion. For more than half that time I’ve been celebrating and showcasing the work of Australian Photographers and Filmmakers through seminars, publications, exhibitions and highly successful theatre presentations, all with the essential help of my wife Jenette.

For more than 15 years, the shows at my fully working Movie Museum continued this celebration. We entertained, informed and I believe inspired many thousands of visitors in our Electric Theatre. For 9 years my TAFE students suffered the same fate – I know some of them **were** inspired -- they proved it.

Now, the Movie Museum with its unique Australian Cinema Heritage Collection, plus the Still Camera Collection and the Film and Photographic Collections must be preserved-- hopefully as a **feature tourist attraction and learning centre for media studies – An Australian Image Hall of Fame.**

To illustrate the potential of the Australian Image Hall of Fame, I am making a series of 3X2 hour High Definition video productions titled **Journeys in Time.**

- **‘The Time Machines’** Vividly illustrates on the big screen, the value of the cameras and the people behind them in capturing our “Living History” for over a Century.
- **‘Discovering the wonder’** explores the “Big Bangs” in image technology and the Australian connection spanning a 125 years, a truly exciting experience.
- **‘Moments Memories and Magic’** Thanks to the Exhibitors, from the Picture Show Men on – we can now relive great moments that enriched our lives.

The “Stars” of the show – the working equipment that made all of this possible, will introduce each segment and “perform before your very eyes” in the Electric Theatre. Additional video screenings and working displays will illustrate the immense contribution made by our brilliant Photographers and Filmmakers in capturing our history and the Australian character.

The interactive element in these presentations is an introduction to basic **Video-journalism**. ‘ How To Create The Essential Video Diary’ is a learning project in the form of an instructional DVD and Handbook – an “Action!” Kit for people of all ages who wish to explore the wonders and potential of digital filmmaking – with a real purpose. It is the key to adventure – whatever your interests may be.

The ideal situation for this iconic project, this **Australian Image Hall of Fame** is of course **Kenilworth in Queensland**. Half of it is already here – help us build the rest. Let Me Show You! -- here at *CinemaWorks* -- before I drop off the twig.

The Vision for An Australian Image Hall of Fame

To celebrate and showcase the outstanding work of our Filmmakers and Photographers

Kev. Franzi’s CinemaWorks with its unique Movie Museum, Australian Cinema Heritage Collection and the Electric Theatre, was created to illustrate the huge potential of an Australian Image Hall of Fame as an iconic Tourist Attraction.

In a lifetime of making and screening Australian Documentary Films, Kev Franzi realized the huge value of News Film and Documentaries as historical records of a nation’s journey. The best Documentaries and Feature Films are vital tools in education, in entertainment, in promoting ideas and in capturing the hearts and minds of a people. Photography and Filmmaking are also art forms that capture both our history and our unique Australian ethos.

There is no doubt that our Australian Photographers and Filmmakers – like our sportsmen and women, “punch well above their weight” on the world stage. As a result we have a huge Archive of wonderful images and films that tell the story of Australia and the enterprise of its people. Behind those images is another great story of the Photographers and Filmmakers who created them – the trials and tribulations they faced and the initiative, skill and artistry revealed in such outstanding work – our best of the best.

“The Australian Image Hall of Fame will celebrate and showcase these outstanding images and the stories of their makers – past, present and future.

Every visit to the Australian Image Hall of Fame will be a memorable experience -- a special event. The working displays, featured exhibitions and multi-cinema screenings will entertain, inform and inspire you. As a constantly changing Kaleidoscope of art and history, it becomes a unique learning centre for media studies. Universities have already discovered the value of CinemaWorks.

I have the perfect vehicle – the perfect format to present the story – let me show you!”

Kev.