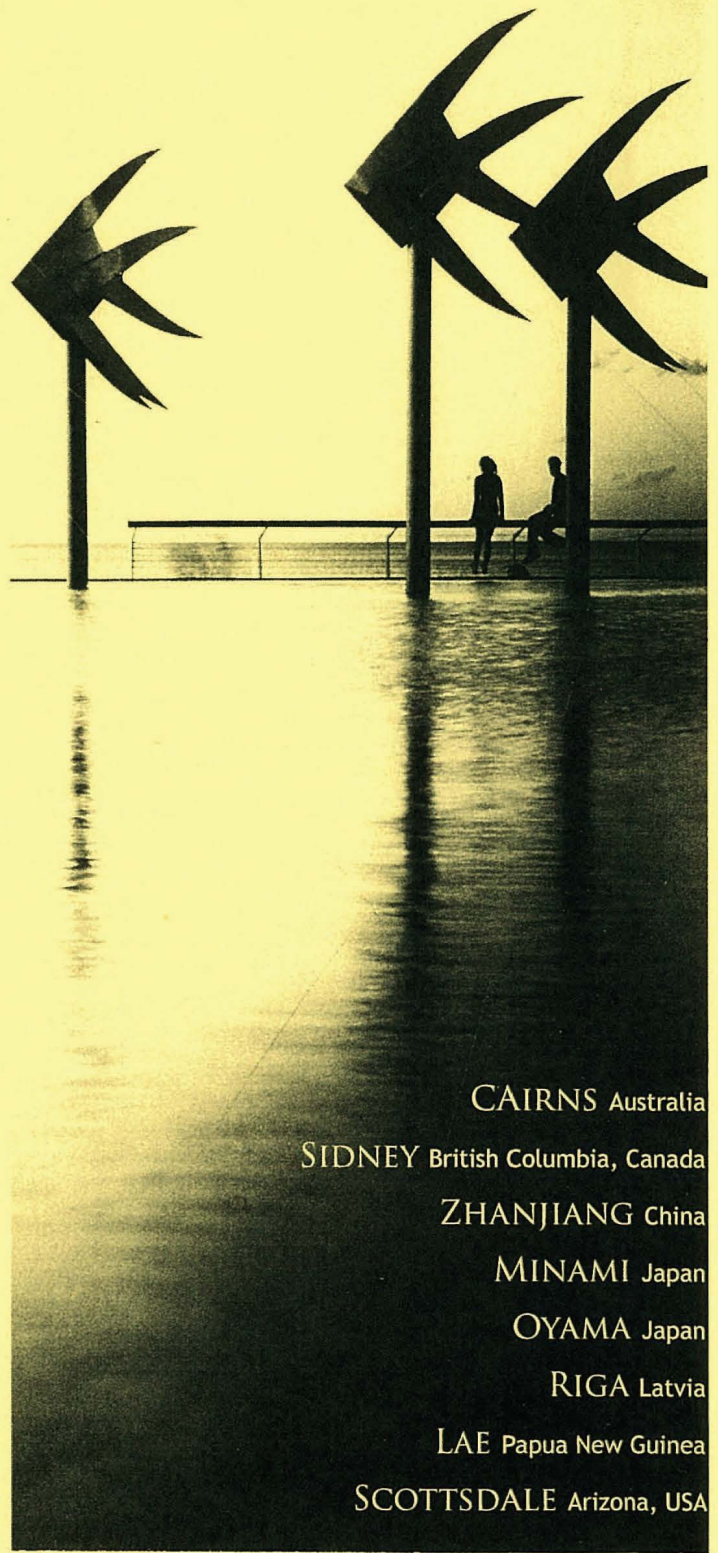


# FACE OF A SISTER CITY

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION



CAIRNS Australia

SIDNEY British Columbia, Canada

ZHANJIANG China

MINAMI Japan

OYAMA Japan

RIGA Latvia

LAE Papua New Guinea

SCOTTSDALE Arizona, USA

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Photographer: - Wayne Harris

Title:-“ Three plus Two”

Artwork:- “Woven Fish” by Brian Robinson

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## **FOREWORD**



It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Face of a Sister City Photographic Exhibition. The exhibition is the result of a partnership between the Cairns Regional Council Sister Cities Management Committee and the Cairns Photographic Society.

The aim of the Cairns Regional Council Sister Cities Program is to develop meaningful and long term links with cities and communities in other countries; to achieve a greater level of international understanding and goodwill between peoples; and to share economic, community, cultural and social interaction.

The Face of a Sister City is an exhibition of photographs from Cairns and each of our seven Sister Cities, which were all taken during the same 24 hour period from 12 noon on 1 May 2009 and 12 noon on 2 May 2009. Photography is a powerful medium. It can capture the essence and character of different cultures and help us see elements of a culture that we might otherwise miss. The diversity of images depicted in these photographs provides us with a snap-shot of what life is like across a broad spectrum of countries and cultures.

Our sincere thanks to all those involved and special thanks to Lone White (Member of our Sister Cities Management Committee) for her contribution to coordinating the exhibition. Thanks also to the local photographers who submitted their images for the exhibition and to Peter Rossi, a renowned international photographer, who had the difficult task of selecting the photographs for the Cairns section of exhibition.

Finally let me also thank our Sister Cities, Lae (PNG), Minami (Japan), Oyama (Japan), Riga (Latvia), Scottsdale (USA), Sidney (Canada) and Zhanjiang (China) for their participation. All of the photographs in the exhibition will be sent to our Sister Cities, many of which will also be holding exhibitions of these works in their own cities.

Val Schier  
Mayor  
Cairns Regional Council

## AUSTRALIA - CAIRNS



Cairns Regional Council (formerly Cairns City Council) has been forming Sister City relationships since 1969.

The Cairns region is a tropical paradise, home to a diverse multi-cultural community of around 160,000 people, and it is one of the fastest growing regions in Australia.

Cairns Regional Council is committed to managing growth, creating prosperity and enhancing residents' lifestyle by making the region a premier tourism destination and the nation's most liveable tropical community.

Sister Cities aims to develop meaningful and long term links with cities and communities in other countries: to achieve a greater level of international understanding and goodwill between peoples and to share economic, community, cultural and social interaction.

Members of the Cairns Sister Cities Committee have been working in various areas including student exchange projects, technical information exchange and cultural understanding.

In 2008 Cairns Sister City Committee organised and hosted a ceramic exhibition "EARTH LINKS", in which six of our Sister Cities participated. This year the focus is on photography.

## DEE BROWN

### The Bait Fisherman.

I come early, I wade out, I wait, still and patient. The tide moves, I wait....This is my cultural existence, I wait...I will be rewarded...!



## DEE BROWN

### Our arriving guest

5:30 am the alarm rings, taking us from our bed. We travel to the International Airport to greet our visitor. Eight hours in an airplane, overnight, awake to a strange country. I am important to my friends. Hi there! .Thanks for greeting me. Take me home. I need to sleep. I love you!



## BRONWYN DOUGLAS

### Kuranda Train

Freshwater Station - Sunday 9.48am.  
What better activity than a family sharing a day's outing to the Tablelands on the Kuranda Scenic Railway! The Doolan's boarded the train from the historic Freshwater Station.

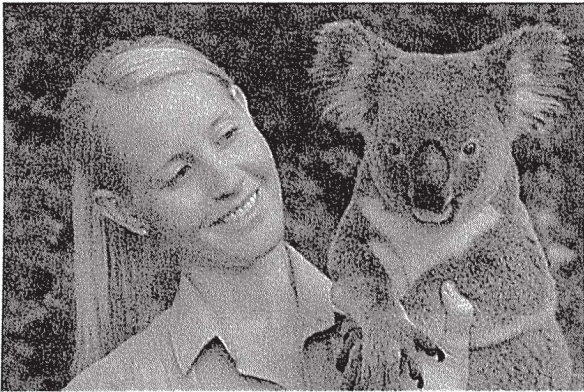




## MARGARET POLLOCK

### Inside the Tanks

Fuel storage tanks during the second world war, which have now been heritage-listed and developed as an art space. Several members of Cairns Art Society were enjoying the paintings, which were part of the annual Artists of the North Exhibition.



## LARRY RUSSELL

### A day in a life .....

Jasmine Juvet is a senior mammal keeper at Cairns tropical Zoo. Here she takes time from her busy schedule to say G'day to Diesel the koala.



## REESA SORIN

### Smithfield Markets

People and plants provide ambience at the bi-weekly markets held at Smithfield Centre. Inevitably, I return home with dog treats and additions to my garden.

**AMANDA JULIE  
SOPHIOS**

**Dyllan at Lake Placid**

Apart from locations such as the Great Barrier Reef and Daintree there are small pockets of wonder known to locals and Lake Placid is one.



**AMANDA JULIE  
SOPHIOS**

**Saving Lives at  
Yorkeys Knob**

What a job! What a life!  
How lucky we are! As a  
photographer I don't  
need to look far to find  
an amazing location.



**Zita Sudnika**

**Esplanade Lagoon**

Sun, water & fun - I  
thought, this was the  
essence of Cairns!

