

PSQ Convention (Draft) program 2025

Saturday 3rd May 2025 – Fraser Room, Hervey Bay Boat Club, Buccaneer Drive		
TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
MORNING SESSIONS		
0800-0900	FRASER ROOM HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB BUCCANEER DR	REGISTRATION Tea & Coffee
0900-0915		Welcome to Hervey Bay – Mayor George Seymour
0915-0930		Welcome from PSQ President Ralph Brown
0930-1000		Ralph Brown – Keynote- “My Photographic Journey” -
1000-1030		MORNING TEA - TRADE SHOW OPEN- BOARD ROOM
1030-1200		Pia Jessen – Keynote- Travel “Fraser Coast and Beyond”
1200-1300		LUNCH – TRADE SHOW OPEN- BOARD ROOM
AFTERNOON SESSIONS		
1315-1630	ELIZABETH STREET Bus transport – 20 Pax	Peter Mitchelson - Street Photography Show and Shine Car Parade- Cnr Esplanade & Elizabeth St- 20 Pax
1315-1630	DAYMAN PARK BEACH Bus transport – 20 Pax	Mark Higgins Photography- Portraits outdoors- How to balance ambient and fill and get critical sharpness. We will cover settings and equipment choices to get consistent results for those shooting outdoors. Overcome common lighting problems, focal length and focus and shooting angle. Participants would benefit by bringing along a flash and scrims if they have them. Common mistakes such as "panda eyes", low contrast faces, burnt out background, out of focus eyes and composition will be covered- 20 Pax
1300-1400	FRASER ROOM HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB	Robert Cullen –Monochrome 101 – BASIC EDITING FOR MONO IN LIGHTROOM AND PHOTOSHOP- In this workshop we will discuss the appeal of monochrome images and work with some of the editing tools primarily in Light Room-Classical and Photoshop to illustrate the ease with which we can produce digital monochrome images- unlimited
1400-1500		Eric Brandseth – Come share the excitement of venturing into the unknown and returning with images that will last a lifetime and beyond. Eric will share tips with you about traveling lightly with your equipment on extended journeys. Topics in this talk will include, equipment choices, cleaning your sensor, optimizing your carry-on luggage limits and personal security. Eric will also share some of his images and is available to answer your questions - unlimited
1500-1530		AFTERNOON TEA

1430-1630	DOCK AT HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB Boat capacity – 60 Pax	Boat Cruise - 2hr duration - Includes small afternoon tea for \$25- 60 Pax
1530-1630	FRASER ROOM AT HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB	<i>Self-drive shoot “Go Your Own Way”</i>
1645-1745	DAYMAN PARK BEACH	Welcome to Country- Smoking Ceremony Butchulla Native Title Aboriginal Corporation- unlimited
1830-2000	DAYMAN PARK BEACH	Ken York- Creative Light Painting- 1 st session – 15 Pax Bring tripod, torch, suitable footwear
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2200-2330	DAYMAN PARK BEACH	Ken York- Creative Light Painting – 3 rd session- 15 Pax Bring tripod, torch, suitable footwear
2000-2300	URANGAN BEACH	Stephen Potts -Astrophotography “Core of the Milky Way” - unlimited



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0630-0800	DAWN SHOOT AT DUNDOWRAN BEACH Bus transport – 60 Pax Departs from Mantra 0545	“Remembering the Anzacs” with the 5 th Light Horse Regiment, John Abbott, Peter Doré & Peter Mitchelson- Morning shoot at Dundowran Beach. Suitable footwear required to walk on the beach- 60 Pax
0630-0800	Boat Harbour	<i>Self-drive Dawn shoot “Go Your Own Way”</i>
0900-1000	FRASER ROOM HERVEY BAY BOAT CLUB	Victoria Purdie- Keynote “Random Interesting Photography Stuff”- Helpful and practical advice with lots of funny stories from 20 years as a professional photographer
1000-1030	BUCANEER DRIVE	MORNING TEA - TRADE SHOW OPEN- BOARD ROOM
1030-1200		Suellen Saidee Cook – Keynote “Digital Art”
1200-1300		LUNCH – TRADE SHOW CLOSING
AFTERNOON SESSIONS at MANTRA HERVEY BAY, BUCCANEER DRIVE		
1300-1400	MANTRA MARINA 1	Alistair Brightman – “My Life as a Photo Journalist” Earning a living behind the Camera – 30 Pax
1300-1500	MANTRA MARINA 2	John Abbott Nature photographer “Roses and Reptiles” Tabletop shoot. Suitable tripod required- 30 Pax
1300-1400	MANTRA MARINA 3	Ellen Foulds- Elfotography- Basics of Photography followed by a presentation of her work – 30 Pax
1400-1500	MANTRA MARINA 1	Ralph Brown - Bokeh- “Dreamy Backgrounds”- 30 Pax
1400-1500	MANTRA MARINA 3	Ellen Foulds- Elfotography- Basics of Photography followed by a presentation of her work – 30 Pax
1300-1500	EXTERNAL	Peter Mitchelson- Botanical Gardens/Chinese Gardens/Esplanade- Own transport (5 mins away)- 30 Pax
1500-1530	THE DOCK RESTAURANT	AFTERNOON TEA
1530-1630	MANTRA MARINA 1	Victoria Purdie “Mobile Phone Photography” approx. ¾ hr plus Q&A – 30 Pax
1530-1630	MANTRA MARINA 2	Mark Higgins Photography – Studio portraits- Understanding lighting, settings & lens choice. How to set up a studio and common errors made by shooters- 30 Pax
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1530-1630	EXTERNAL	<i>Self-drive shoot “Go Your Own Way”</i>
1730-2230	Fraser Room HBBC	GALA Dinner 120 Pax

Monday 5th May 2025

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
MORNING SESSIONS		
0500-0700	URANGAN PIER	Peter Doré Landscape photographer- “Autumn Colours” pre-dawn shoot at the iconic Urangan Pier- unlimited
0815-0915	MANTRA MARINA 1	Hans Schmidt PSQ judge- “Critiquing Your Images”- Hans will be critiquing 12 prints - sizing to be 10x10 or 8x12inches (one print per person) please specify if you will be bringing a print- 40 pax
0830-0930	MANTRA MARINA 2	Keven Hyde - “ Creativity for the Not Creative”- 40 Pax
0830-0930	MANTRA MARINA 3	Celina Hurworth- Patch Creations - “Emotive/Newborn Workshop”- 40 ppl
0930-1030	MANTRA MARINA 1	John Abbott GMAPS (Grand Master Australian Photographic Society); GPUcr3 (Global Photography Union~ Europe); EFIAP (Federation International Photographic Arts ~ Northern Europe); QPSA/PPSA (Photographic Society of America) - “The World is Your Oyster” How and Why We Do National & International Competitions (for your photographic Honours)- 40 Pax
0930-1030	MANTRA MARINA 2	Neil Medland - “Mastering Seascapes”- 40 Pax
0930-1030	MANTRA MARINA 3	Celina Hurworth- Patch Creations - “Emotive/Newborn Workshop”- 40 Pax
1030-1100	THE DOCK RESTARANT	MORNING TEA
1100-1200	MANTRA MARINA 1/2&3	PSQ Judges’ Forum- Q & A- Everyone welcome
1200-1300	The Dock Restaurant	LUNCH

End of Convention

