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Desirable Images of Love in Art, 1400-1800, NGV International



National Gallery of Victoria at NGV International, St Kilda Road, is presenting a desirable exhibition of fine and decorative arts from Antonio Vivarini's much-celebrated fifteenth century painting *The Garden of Love* to an intricately carved sixteenth century wedding dowry chest in the exhibition *Love: Art of Emotion 1400-1800* until 18 June 2017. **FREE ENTRY** | [Read More](#)



Hailing from the Blue Mountains, NSW making women weep is one of *The Spooky Men's Choral* aims in life, along with laying to waste the land in which they will be travelling soon on a **National Australian Tour - April 26 TO June 28, 2017** - [Read More](#) | [Gigs Venue Details](#) | [Buy Tickets](#)



Having experienced a few of the restaurants in the top 50, and being particularly fond of a degustation menu, our Deputy Editor **Belinda** was fortunate enough to visit **Eleven Madison Park** in New York last September and was not surprised it's been declared **Best Restaurant in the World for 2017** - Here's her **Review** of a fabulous meal, and yes one of the courses was a 'picnic'. [Read More](#)



The **Australian String Quartet** will in late April return to the glorious **Margaret River** and the picturesque village of **Dunkeld** in Victoria, to present its flagship regional festivals: **Margaret River Weekend of Music** and **Dunkeld Festival of Music** with their acclaimed guests Australian pianist **Caroline Almonte** and Dutch cellist **Pieter Wispelway**. [Bookings](#) | [Read More](#)



The **Melbourne Winter Masterpieces** series this year includes **'Van Gogh and the Seasons'** with some 50 works and drawings on display at the **National Gallery of Victoria (NGV)** from 28 April, 2017, the largest exhibition of Van Gogh ever seen in Australia. [Read More](#) | [Buy Tickets](#)



The **Sydney Youth Orchestra's** first major concert for 2017, **Intrepid Voyagers**, was a dazzling and highly successful farewell concert to Sydney before the orchestra embarks on a landmark musical education tour of Europe. [Read Rose Niland's Review](#)



Art is at its best this April in Melbourne and surroundings reports **Belinda**, with landmark exhibitions beginning including **CLIMARTE's ART+CLIMATE=CHANGE 2017**, from today until 14 May, harnessing the creative power of the arts to inform, engage and inspire action on climate change. [Read More](#)



The **Doctor Blake Mysteries**, an Exhibition designed by Carrie Kennedy production designer of the popular ABC television series is on show at **Sovereign Hill's Gold Museum** at **Ballarat** in **Regional Victoria, Australia** until September 3, 2017. Entry free with your **Sovereign Hill** ticket. [Read More](#)



Directed by **Philipp Kadelbach** the new five part BBC dramatic television series **SS-GB** explores what may have happened if Germany had won the **Battle of Britain** and taken over ruling in **London**. Three years in the making, the series has been adapted from the critically acclaimed novel by **Len Deighton** published in 1978. **NB Spoilers** [Read More](#)



HBO's compelling drama television series **Big Little Lies** starring **Reese Witherspoon**, **Nicole Kidman** and **Shailene Woodley** created and written by **David E Kelly** based on the #1 New York Times Best Selling book by Australian author **Liane Moriarty**, has been an **outstanding success**. It came to a dramatic end recently. **NB Spoilers** [Episodes 1 & 2](#) | [Ep 3 & 4](#) | [Ep 5 & 6](#) | [Ep 7, Finale](#)



The **Medici family** and fifteenth century **Florence** has recently taken centre stage with **Series One** of the **Netflix Television Series Medici: Masters of Florence**, an eight part political and historical thriller of fame and infamy. It has captivated a global audience and stars **Richard Madden** as **Cosimo II Vecchio**. **NB Spoilers** - [Read More Episode 1](#) | [Ep 2](#) | [Ep 3 & 4](#) | [Ep 5](#) | [Ep 6](#) | [Final, Episodes 7&8](#)



Together with an eight minute longer **extended cut** of the movie **LION** the audience at **Palace Cinema Como** enjoyed listening to **Director Garth Davis** being interviewed after the show and to ask questions about his experiences making a film of the **wondrous story** that has stolen many hearts. [Read More](#)



Their Finest is a dramedy, an old fashioned movie told sweetly with masses of understatement. If features a talented scriptwriting trio **Catrina Cole** (Gemma Arterton), the dashing **Tom Buckley** (Sam Claflin) and their prickly sidekick **Raymond Parfitt** (Paul Ritter). As an added bonus it gives us **Bill Nighy** as an ageing thespian **Ambrose Hilliard**, a man we can all adore and admire. [Read More](#)