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French Blue Diamond Heart of the Earth to Heartache & Hope



The French Blue diamond belonging to Louis IV was plucked from the midnight sky to dazzle all those at court. It was stolen in an audacious robbery in 1792. What happened to it? [Read More](#)



[Portrait of Spain - Masterpieces from the Prado at Brisbane](#)

From July 21 the most significant international loan the Museo Nacional del Prado in Madrid has ever undertaken will arrive in Brisbane to help celebrate the Queensland Art Gallery's 30th anniversary. [Read More](#)



[The House of Snowball - Cultured Couture](#)

Jo Bayley reports Jill Taylor, part owner of Black Caviar was wearing an ensemble from The House of Snowball when collecting the trophy from Queen Elizabeth II for winning the Diamond Jubilee Stakes at Ascot. [Fashion Elixir](#)



[Three Colours Red - A Shanghai Passion for Wine](#)

Sheena Burnell reports as 'East continues to meet West in this most exciting of cities, the times ahead look bright for the wine industry as knowledge grows and appreciation increases. [Read More](#)



[Claude Monet the Gardener at Giverny by Elizabeth Murray](#)

Guest author [Elizabeth Murray from California](#) says "Monet taught us to love our gardens and be present in them. That over time our relationship with place, plants and the light can change us forever". [Read More](#)



[Gustav Klimt – The Unifying Power of Art & Culture @ Vienna](#)

At Vienna in 2012 they are celebrating the life and times of Gustav Klimt, whose painting genius is today recognised as having been integral to the birth of modernism in Europe. [Read More](#)



[David Henderson 2012 Exhibition - Capturing Light at Venice](#)

Many people look forward to the return of award-winning artist David Henderson from Venice, that most serene city of light in northern Italy, for his annual exhibition at the Graydon Gallery in Brisbane. [Read More](#)



[StreetSmart Australia - Grab a Coffee - Improve a Life](#)

Mark your diary for [CafeSmart](#) August 10th, a day of action to help people experiencing homelessness. Participating cafe's will donate a \$1 for every coffee. Make sure yours is involved. [Tell them about CafeSmart](#)



[Suzanne Trocmé - Talk About Seeing RED for the Inforum Group](#)

Recently honoured with the 2012 Veuve Clicquot Business Woman Tribute Award designer and author Suzanne Trocmé will be in Sydney soon 'Seeing Red' for the Inforum Group. [Read More & Bookings](#)



[The Reading Hour - Encouraging Kids of All Ages to Love2Read](#)

Words help us make sense of who we are and want to be, but now the word has migrated from print to pixels how do we help kids of all ages learn how to love2read? [Read More](#)



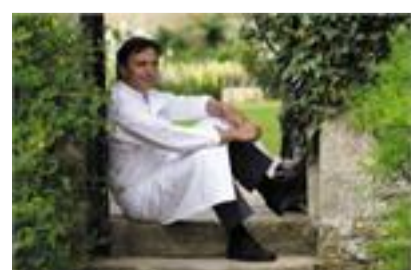
[France & Australia, Art of Discovery - The French Connection](#)

While the British may have claimed the land and colonized it, it was the French explorers who first made known the richness and diversity of Australia and its life forms all over the world. [Read More](#)



[Lethbridge Gallery Update - Ai Shah's New Showing in July](#)

In July 2012 the young painter Ai Shah will celebrate her short first two years in the trade by presenting a new show at the Lethbridge Gallery in Paddington at Brisbane. [Read More](#)



[Culinary Delights at Home and Abroad - Rationing to Riches, School to the Savoy and Blakes to Botanical](#)

From [rationing to riches](#), [school to The Savoy](#), [Blakes to Botanical](#) the choice and diversity of both décor and cooking styles I have enjoyed over four decades has meant wonderful experiences [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#), [Part 3](#)



[18th Biennale of Sydney - Connecting to the World we Inhabit](#)

The Biennale plays a central role in helping to develop visual arts culture in Australia by providing an international platform for displaying innovative contemporary art. [Read More](#)