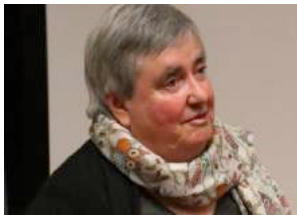


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Our last Friday with Friends: Marilyn Dooley and the 'Gumleaf Girls'

At our last **Friday with Friends** event we were treated to a fascinating journey back in social and cinematic history when film historian Marilyn Dooley shared her favourite moments from some of Australia's earliest films. Marilyn has long had a fascination with Australian actress and first 'film star' – Lottie Lyell (even to the extent of regularly visiting her grave in Rookwood cemetery!) and we were privileged to view what remains of Lottie Lyell's starring role in Raymond Longford's 1911 film *The Romantic Story of Margaret Catchpole*.

It was a remarkable opportunity to view this pioneering feature film that turned Lyell into Australia's first international film star and Marilyn was a very amusing and informed presenter.



Marilyn Dooley and Friends mingle at the 'Friday with Friends' event. The famous Lottie Lyell (left).



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Coming up for the Friends:

We have some exciting (and very different) events scheduled for the rest of the year!

4 pm Thursday 18th August: Celluloid Secrets Revealed!

This is a special program to coincide with National Science Week, presented by the NFSA in association with the Friends.

Just like everything else in this universe, film is governed by science. Our preservation and restoration experts will reveal how physics and chemistry shape the 'life' of film. This is sure to be fascinating and quirky look at the 'core business' of the Archive. This event is free but bookings are essential. BOOK ONLINE: TRYBOOKING.COM/LAGK

5.30 Friday 16th September: 'Our Gloria Soame' - (most unusual) sights and sounds of Australia!

In his inimitable style David Kilby will link gems from his amazing music collection to equally quirky film clips from the Archive, taking us on a journey through Australia's back roads and big smoke.



Queensland Playground - 1957

Coming up in late October/November: A Magical Mystery Tour to Canberra's Film Land!!

Time travel through Australia's film history – an entire suburb named after film personalities! Only in Canberra is this possible! See the stars who became the street names in their most famous performances - learn some astounding facts about how the suburb came to be named, and its relation to the NFSA! ***DON'T MISS THIS ONE – MORE DETAILS SOON!!!***

CONTINUING THROUGH AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER!
HALF PRICE FOR FRIENDS!!!!



Don't forget that every Sunday afternoon you can settle in for an afternoon of cinematic delights. With an emphasis on the NFSA's collection of 35mm and 16mm treasures, you can enjoy a very special selection of rare, cult, classic, experimental and otherwise neglected treasures of international cinema.

Coming up: Sundays at 2pm.

SUNDAY 7 AUGUST - The Birth of White Australia: Peter Fitzsimons in discussion

SUNDAY 14 AUGUST - Buffalo Bill and the Indians

SUNDAY 21 AUGUST - Manganinnie

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST - The Young Lions

For more information about the program, please check this link:

<http://nfsa.gov.au/calendar/clusters/films-film/>

TO OBTAIN YOUR DISCOUNT:

* Online Ticket Purchase: Go to the TryBooking link - <https://trybooking.com/LAEF> - and select the number of full-priced adult tickets you wish to purchase. Proceed to the payment page where you'll find a DISCOUNT CODE/SPECIAL OFFERS field at the bottom of the page. Enter NFSAFRIENDS in this field and hit APPLY. 50% will then be deducted from full-priced adult ticket(s) ordered and a price of \$7 per ticket will be shown. (NOTE: This will not work if you order Concession Tickets)

- Over the Counter: Present your FRIENDS membership card when purchasing your ticket on the Sunday afternoon to receive tickets for \$7.

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ANOTHER SPECIAL TREAT FOR FRIENDS' MEMBERS!!

Richard Keys will present a program of shorts by some of the greatest film comedians. Besides Laurel and Hardy, Abbott and Costello and W C Fields, there are two little known gems from another famous partnership – but before they knew each other! Bob Hope's very first outing was made for a poverty row studio called Educational Films, and he later tried to disown it; Bing Crosby's delightful two-reelers for comedy king Mack Sennett show him on the threshold of his stellar career, and yes, he sings. All are 16mm prints from a private collection.

Free admission for members of the Friends of the NFSA.

**SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
REEL McCOY
CMAG THEATRE, Civic Square**

1pm.

No, this is not Richard – it's a young Bing!



REMEMBER THESE IMPORTANT DATES:

AUGUST 18TH 4PM - CELLULOID SECRETS

SEPTEMBER 16TH 5.30 - DAVID KILBY'S SONGS AND PLACES

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER - SUNDAY AFTERNOON CLASSIC FILMS

SEPTEMBER 11TH 1PM - GREAT FILM COMEDIANS - at CMAG!

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER - MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR

MORE INFORMATION SNIPPETS

It's worth regularly checking the Friends' website and Facebook page to keep up with what's happening. These will soon be complemented by a new Friends' membership brochure, and a leaflet setting out a potted history of the NFSA



Like to keep in touch a new way?



Find the Friends on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/NFSAFriends

Sign up to the NFSA's online newsletter to receive advance notification of NFSA events!

<http://www.nfsa.gov.au/community/newsletters/>

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for people to join our friendly volunteer crew at the NFSA. If you like indexing, or working with databases, or reading film journals, this might be for you as our job is to index film journal articles for an international database. Training will be provided!

WHEN: Wednesdays, 2.30-4.30pm (you can offer weekly, fortnightly, monthly, ad hoc, as suits your schedule)

WHERE: NFSA Library. If you would like to take part or would like to find out more first, please email Sue Terry at archivefriends@gmail.com

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