# A STROPHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

# WELCOME TO THE ASTROFEST 2012 ASTROPHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

This year's exhibition showcases the exceptional talent and achievements of Western Australian astrophotographers. The 2012 exhibit presents a diverse range of images; from popular and well known images, to the lesser known and more challenging deep space objects, to extreme wide angle views of the night sky.

The astrophotographers featured in the exhibition use a range of equipment and techniques to achieve these remarkable images. Some use sophisticated telescope equipment and image processing designed to reveal hidden or faint detail. Other photographers use tripod based cameras.

Astrophotos selected for the exhibition have been grouped according to common themes; Astronomical Landscapes, Astronomical Panoramas, Star Trails and Multiple Exposures, Comet Lovejoy, Sun and Moon, and Deep Space.

More than 40 astrophotos have been selected for exhibition, showing work from 14 talented Western Australian astrophotographers.

Exhibition photographs have been selected to illustrate the diversity of Western Australia astrophotography, and to showcase technical achievement and quality, innovative techniques, aesthetic appeal & astronomical content. The inspirational images achieved by the contributors are a credit to the Western Australian astrophotography community.

The Astrofest 2012 Astrophotography Exhibition was made possible by The Western Australian Department of Commerce.

We hope you enjoy the exhibition as much as we've enjoyed putting it together.

# ASTRONOMICAL LANDSCAPES



Swan River Boatshed and Southern Cross John Goldsmith



Carnarvon Dish and Milky Way Rick Tonello



Moon and City Skyline Divya Palaniswamy



Carnarvon Casshorn Antenna and Milky Way **Rick Tonello** 



Perth Skyline and Moon Brian Sture



Large and Small Magellanic Clouds Roger Groom



Milky Way Panoramic David Parlevliet

David Parlevliet



360 degree view of Comet Lovejoy from Kings Park, Perth John Goldsmith



Graffiti Bunker David Parlevliet

# ASTRONOMICAL PANORAMAS

David Parlevliet

Stromatolites and Milky Way David Parlevliet

## STAR TRAILS AND MULTIPLE EXPOSURES





Windmill Star Trails James Athanasou



Perth, Planets and Moon Divya Palaniswamy



Wolfe Creek Crater Star Trails James Athanasou

**Pinnacle Star Trails** 

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Wave Rock and Stars Chris Thorne

Windmill and Moonrise Chris Thorne



**Moonset and Ship** Chris Thorne









# **COMET LOVEJOY**







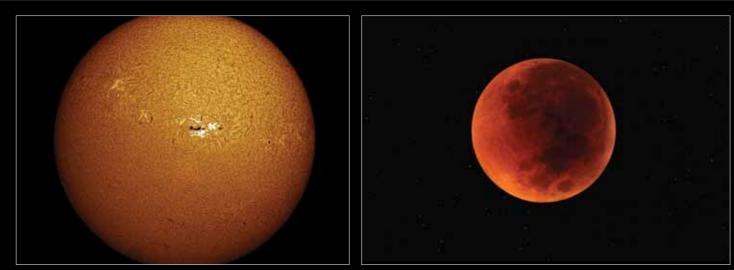




1 Chris Thorne 2 Above Brookton Valley - John Goldsmith 3 John Goldsmith 4 In the morning twilight - Grahame Kelaher 5 Roger Groom 6 John Goldsmith 7 James Athanasou

8 Above Perth Observatory - Rick Tonello

# SUN AND MOON



Hydrogen Alpha image of the Sun, showing granulations and sunspot Rick Tonello

Lunar Eclipse in June 2011 Grahame Kelaher



Lunar Eclipse With Stars Roger Groom

# DEEP SPACE





NGC5139 Trevor Warner

Rosetta Nebula Trevor Warner







**1** M20 - Grahame Kelaher **2** Horsehead Nebula - Brendan Mitchell **3** Helix Nebula - David Ahn 4 M66 - Mick Todd 5 M16 - Graham Kelaher 6 IC2602 - Mick Todd



Mick Todd

DEEP SPACE



# ASTROFEST ASTROPHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION 2012

Curator: John Goldsmith (Image selection: Kirsten Gottschalk, ICRAR)

### Exhibition contributors:

David Ahn Graham Kelaher Mick Todd James Athanasou Brendan Mitchell Chris Thorne Grant Boxer Divya Palaniswamy Rick Tonello John Goldsmith David Parlevliet Trevor Warner Roger Groom Brian Sture

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This exhibition was held as part of Astrofest 2012 at Curtin Stadium, Perth on the 31st of March.





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