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SYDNEY ROTARY NEWS



Members are encouraged to book for the 2021 Rotary District Conference to be held at the Masonic Conference Centre from 19 to 21 March. Check out the program to choose which outstanding speakers you would like to hear. It's also an ideal opportunity to network with other Rotarians from clubs throughout Greater Sydney and the Illawarra.

Details and Booking site.



The guest speaker at Sydney Rotary Club's lunchtime Zoom meeting on Tuesday **16 March** will be Paul Hutton, Vice President for Operations, South East Asia for Hilton.

Paul Hutton is a 36-year hospitality industry veteran who currently oversees 48 hotels across nine markets including Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, Myanmar, the Maldives and Sri Lanka. He will discuss how remote satellite leadership in hospitality can be effective and drive team and customer loyalty with results in year two of Covid.

Please **Book Online** for this Zoom event.

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Sydney Property, Hot or Not?

Guest Speaker at Sydney Rotary Club's lunchtime Zoom meeting on Tuesday **23 March** will be Paul McKenzie, CEO of ABS Conveyancing and Valuations. He will discuss Sydney's property market and how hot it really is, and briefly cover a number of areas including, residential, commercial, buying, investing and taxation. Paul, who has had almost 25 years of experience in property valuation and legal conveyancing late last year authored a book, "Property and Conveyancing." It is a layman's guide on property and conveyancing for those looking to buy, sell or invest in the Australian property market.



All Politics is Personal and the 4-Way Test in Political Life



Guest speakers at Sydney Rotary Club's Luncheon on Tuesday **30th March** will be the co-founders of Parliamentarian Friends of Rotary, Dr Hugh McDermott MP and Mr Lee Evans MP.

They will discuss "All Politics is Personal and the 4-Way Test in Political Life."

Prior to his election to Parliament in the State seat of Prospect, Hugh McDermott worked as a Barrister and Director of Financial Crime Programs at the Australian Graduate School of Policing & Security, Charles Sturt University.

Lee Evans was elected to NSW Parliament as Member for Heathcote in 2011 and was re-elected in 2015 for a second term. His appointment as Temporary Speaker has continued and it is a role he performs with great pride and responsibility.

Please [Book Online](#) for this hybrid event.

Member Profiles: Thelma Raman & Roger Xie



Thelma Raman is the Sustainability Education Advisor at Macquarie University in Sydney. She is involved in integrating sustainability in the learning, teaching and research activities of the university. Thelma is passionate about doing her part towards creating a more sustainable world for current and future generations, and this led her to complete a PhD in Education for Sustainable Development. With over 25 years' experience in education and training, across Australia, New Zealand and Fiji, Thelma understands the role and power of education in bringing about change. She draws great inspiration from the words of the late Nelson Mandela – "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Formerly of Fiji, Thelma still considers Fiji 'home' and finds every opportunity to visit with her daughter. Her hobbies include exercising, reading, listening to music and



An insurance actuary by training, Roger Xie later found his passion in sports analytics. Having undertaken rigorous technical training, he strongly believes his mathematical learning and understanding of risk management from a young age has helped shape his character and given him an edge with decision-making in all aspects of life. Roger is currently the Honorary Secretary of our club and has expressed on various occasions the great privilege and honour of holding this role during the club's centenary. Adventurous by nature, Roger has recently invested in [Lola Tapas Bar](#) Potts Point, a high-end Spanish cocktail & tapas bar due to open in mid-March.

Roger is pictured at the historic Tulloch Lodge, Australia's leading thoroughbred

learning about different cultures. Thelma is thrilled to have joined the Rotary Club of Sydney and become a member of the Climate Action Group. She is also a member of ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group) and is looking forward to participating in various projects.

racehorse training facility during one of his recent work functions.

Centenary Commemorative Coins Launched

Rotary District Governor Warwick Richardson is pictured with Sydney Rotary Club's newest member, Adriane Lozano, at the media event marking the release of Rotary commemorative coins and a stamp to celebrate 100 years of Rotary in Australia.

The \$1 and \$5 coins and \$1.10 stamp feature designs that represent the local and global reach of Australian Rotary clubs.

Closing date for the specially priced package of Centenary events closes on 15 March. Prices rise after that date. Please [Book Online](#) for this package.



Congratulations Shirley



Congratulations to Sydney Rotary Club member Shirley Randell AO, President of Empowering Women in Education, Inc., on receiving the honor of Life Fellow of The Australian Institute of Company Directors at The Australian Governance Summit this month and on her March 8 birthday.

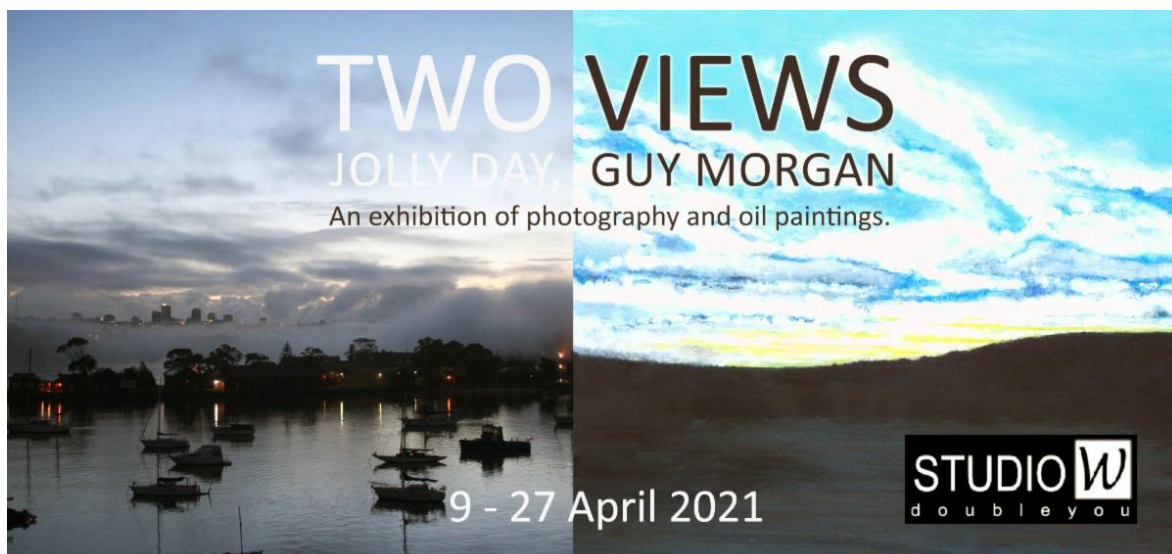
TWO VIEWS: An Art Experience

Members and friends are invited to a Private Viewing of Rotarian Julian Day's first Photographic Exhibition to be held at Studio W Gallery, 6 Bourke Street, Woolloomooloo (just behind Woolloomooloo Hotel), on Wed 21 April from 6:30pm.

Iron Cove Rotary Club Past President and avid photographer Julian (Jolly) Day has teamed up with well-known artist Guy Morgan (www.guymorgan.com) to exhibit a collection of paintings and photographs. Light refreshments will be served.

Julian is kindly donating a large canvas print 90cm by 60cm with a value of \$900 for a silent auction. All proceeds to go towards the Club's Centennial Project.

Please [Book Online](#) for this event.



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