



MYKE JACOBS

We were delighted to receive many good submissions for the Photo Competition in 2022, the winners of which were announced in the last Suburb News. The prizes given to the top three entries were well deserved.

Accordingly, we are very happy to announce that we will be holding

another Photo Competition this year and the full details and rules will be set out in the Summer Edition in June 2023. This year's subject will be 'A Favourite Portrait' and all entries will need to be of one or more people, clearly showing their facial expression(s), no less than 2 megabytes in size, and taken on or after 1 June 2023. The last date for submitting entries

is 30 September 2023. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries in the form of Amazon Vouchers: First Prize – £75, Second – £50 and Third – £25. Winning entries will be printed in Suburb News and may be exhibited locally.

The judges will again be Myke Jacobs, Diana Iwi and Marion Davies, who are all members of the HGS U3A Photography group. They will be looking for portraits (which can be self-portraits) which tell a story and where one or more faces can be clearly seen.

The portrait alongside this article is an example showing a model having her face made up by an artist for a photoshoot in a street in Chinatown, London. They are totally absorbed in their work and the model is clearly preparing herself for the photoshoot to come. Little does she know that the shoot has already begun!

Since the photos must be portraits of people, all winning entries will need to have the consent in writing of the subject(s) to their photo(s) being published, or, in the case of children or other vulnerable people, have received the consent of parent or guardian.



Photo: Andrew Botterill

Suburb News at Fellowship House

One of the strong points of Suburb News is the photographs sent in by residents. A new joint project we have started will seek to capitalise on this by mounting some of the more striking examples in a small revolving exhibition in Fellowship Reception. This will alternate with a similar arrangement made with the Archives Trust whereby examples from the archives are shown. The space will therefore present a changing vision of Suburb past and Suburb present.

On a related note we are pleased to welcome to our Management Committee as the RA representative, Marie-Christine O'Callaghan, one of the Suburb News Joint Editors.

Andrew Botterill

Bowling Club talk on Boris Bennett

JUDI JOHN

Boris Bennett was a doyen of wedding photographers. From his stylish Art Deco studios he made ordinary couples look like glamorous Hollywood film stars. At a packed-out event, Bishopswood Bowling Club member and Suburb resident, Michael Bennett, Boris's eldest son, spoke movingly and amusingly about the life and career of his talented and charming father, taking us from his childhood home in Lodz, Poland, to his studios in London's West End, via Paris and Whitechapel. Boris had a big heart as well as a good business brain; he gave work to needy local people and ensured all his brides looked their best in his photos by always having stunning bridal accessories on hand for them to borrow. Boris took more than 150,000 wedding photographs and they have since become extremely sought after by collectors of the Art Deco period.

This promises to be the first of many talks to be held at Bishopswood Bowling Club which welcomes new members. Anyone who would like to try their hand at the sport can just come on in



whenever the gates are open. The club is friendly and welcoming to both experienced and novice players and lessons are free.

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