

Ironbark Gallery Exhibits Verdure - luminous beings: Liam Benson

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Strathfield Council is excited to announce the Ironbark Gallery's upcoming exhibition *Verdure - luminous beings*, which will be open to members of the public from 1 August 2025 – 29 September 2025.

Created by the multi-disciplinary artist Liam Benson, *Verdure: luminous beings*, underscores the importance of reciprocal exchanges in both human relationships and natural ecosystems that maintain holistic health for both individuals and the communities they form.

Featuring new and existing work, as well as many collaborative works, this exhibition is an acknowledgement of the parallels between natural environments and Benson's queer cultural lived experience.

Benson's methods, materials, shapes, and designs draw from his deeply rooted Scottish heritage. It's through these colours, motifs, stitches and textures, Benson is allowing his own understandings to emerge within the work, becoming the artists' own contribution to the enduring growth and existence of queer experiences and culture by emphasising the similarities between semi-biotic relationships in nature and the cultural dynamics within the queer experience.

The exhibition runs from 1 August 2025 – 29 September 2025, at the Ironbark Gallery located within the Strathfield Council Library & Innovation Hub, 65 – 67 Rochester Street, Homebush.

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