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Hey, thanks for clicking on my BIO. My name is Melanie Sinclair, but I go by Mel for short.

I love photographing any and all aspects of the Landscape, from the literal to the abstract, and my favorite season is winter when the ethereal, moody fog rolls into South East Queensland and gives me loads of atmosphere and drama.

Creatively, I'm always experimenting with how paint and mixed media can work into and alongside my photography practice, often pushing an image beyond the print. I do dabble in other areas such as Event, Macro, Photojournalism, Travel and Theatre.

I am a keen public speaker/presenter and often present to clubs on my work in Landscape and select topics such as Monochrome, Creative Play, Local images, Art Journey, Mixed media, Data Management and Minimalism.

As a Judge: *Education! Improvement! Encouragement!*

Entering competitions is scary, but it doesn't have to be. As a judge I pride myself on giving thoughtful, quality feedback to entrants to help them improve their images. You don't grow if you don't know!

So my pledge is quality feedback to all entrants where possible. (pending judging method)

Qualifications:

2001-2003 – Diploma of Visual Art (Fine Art) (TAFE QLD)

2004-2008 – Bachelor of Creative Industries (Visual Arts) QUT

Accreditations:

Master of Photography (M.Photog) – Australian Institute of Professional Photography (AIPP) – 2019

Associate (ANZIPP) of the New Zealand Institute of Professional Photography (NZIPP) – 2020

Positions:

2015-2020- AIPP QLD State Council Member

2017-2018 – AIPP QLD State President

2020-2021- AIPP Awards Committee Member

2024- Queensland Camera Group – Club Mentor /Speaker Seeker

Past Judging:

2015 + 2018 Epson Panoramic Award Judging Panel (2015 Amateur, 2018 Open)

2018-2020 – AIPP Qld State Awards Judge

2023 – Ekka (Royal Queensland Show)