

Hello!

It seems like ages ago that we had our last AV Group meeting, though there have been lots of AV activity since then. I've sketched out a programme for 2021/22, and this is below. From our previous discussions, I've assumed that the meetings will all be on Zoom, though if we wanted to we have the option of hiring a hall for a one-off showcase event during the season.

| AV Group Meetings 2021/22 Season | | |
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| All to be held on Zoom (Tuesday evenings starting at 7:30pm) | | |
| 5th October 2021 | New AVs - show your latest project, either fully finished or as work in progress for comments. | |
| 2nd November 2021 | AV Techniques - making a launch menu using text, buttons and images. (lan) Volunteers needed for showing other stuff. | |
| 7th December 2021 | An evening with Richard Brown | |
| 4th January 2022 | Select the Battle entries for April, plus Q&A Session and an opportunity to show something new. | |
| 1st February 2022 | An evening with the Leeds AV Group | |
| 1st March 2022 | Show the AV sequences made with the music swapped earlier in the season. Can be Photo Harmony or with a narration. | |

| 5th April 2022 | AV Battle between Adelaide, Cardiff, Wantage and EPG, scored by group members. |
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| tba | Jurassic Coast International AV Salon |
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AV Battle

Earlier in the year we had a battle against Adelaide, Wilmslow and Wantage. It's taken some time to get all of the results back, but the last one came in this week, so the final scores are attached as a separate document. Wilmslow won this time!

Music Swap

Last year's 'swap' proved very popular, and actually yielded some AVs that went on to win prizes at festivals and competitions! I've put it on the programme again this year, so if you would like to participate please send me an MP3 file in July so that I can issue them in August. As previously, any music piece will do, and you are free to make any type of sequence you want to.

Jurassic Coast International AV Salon

This was a huge success with many more entries than we imagined. 'Accepted' entries can be downloaded if you want to see any of them again. The link is:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/4sg49ooql5119bi/AACX9Es7z_mAd_hB64SioCwXa?dl=0

It's a bit fraught getting non-public Dropbox links to work, so let me know if this one is faulty and I'll try again.

The Jurassic steering committee have a meeting scheduled to discuss all aspects of the event, and following this an announcement will be made about the details of the 2022 competition. If you have any feedback that you haven't yet sent to me please let me know your thoughts.

Competition Successes

It's been a busy time for AV competitions, and several members have been successful, particularly Sheila!

Adelaide International AV Festival

| Derrick: | Reconciliation – <i>APS Merit</i> |
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| lan: | The Moor, The Monkey and the Wall Street Crash – Best Original Script |
| | City of Darkness – FIAP Honourable Mention |
| | The Gallery – FIAP Honourable Mention |
| | Two Circles – <i>FIAP Acceptance</i> |
| Sheila: | Behind the Mask – Best Creative Imagery |

Challenge 321 AV Competition

This is an international AV Competition with a time limit of 3 mins 21 seconds, and there were 94 entries in all. The judging takes place in various groups around the world, and the scores from each group are totalled to get the results

Ian: Cathedral **11th Place**

Sheila: Behind the Mask 13th Place

Mo: Four Notes 20th Place

Christine: Across the Seasons 67th Place

Sadly no-one in our group got a cash prize this year – the cut-off was 10th place!

Tauranga Audio-Visual Salon

This is a relatively new competition hosted by New Zealand club. There are four categories, 'Theme', 'World of Nature', 'Music, Poetry and Song' and 'Documentary'. The time limits are

a bit constrictive, and there are moves afoot to change them for next year. Strangely, there are only three types of awards – Winner, Merit, and Acceptance.

| lan: | The Gathering (Theme) – <i>Merit Award</i> |
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| | The Gallery (Theme) – <i>Merit Award</i> |
| | Morning Has Broken (Music) – Acceptance |
| | Two Circles (Documentary) – <i>Merit Award</i> |
| Sheila: | Behind the Mask (Music) – <i>Winner!</i> |
| | The Quest (Documentary) – <i>Winner!</i> |
| | Theresienstadt (Documentary) – <i>Merit Award</i> |

Sheila's "The Quest" was also promoted to overall winner, so Sheila became the Salon Champion – well done Sheila!!

Finally - If you have any suggestions for the programme, please let me know.

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