



A treat for film buffs In the **Grampians!**

Several rare, vintage documentaries and a beautiful little, never before seen, insight into the Lyrebird filmed renowned wildlife painter and artist, Stephen Powell, will be screened at Halls Gap on August 30th as part of the 2nd “Grampians Wildlife Arts Festival”.

Over generations, the spectacular beauty of the Grampians Region has captivated the imagination of many Australians. Together with the Halls Gap film Society and the support of the National Film and Sound Archives and ACMI, the Festival is able to show some unique footage of the Grampians, Ballarat and Stawell taken in 1917 and 1925. Complementing these short films will be 3 films produced in the 1950's; including a rare 14-minute gem recorded by the Straford Brothers on their holiday in The Grampians in 1954.

The films have been acquired in digital form through the auspices of NFSA and ACMI as part of the Grampians Wildlife Art Society's policy of community ownership and long term vision of establishing a significant collection of Australia's natural history art, they will be given, on permanent loan, to the Northern Grampians Shire Archives and be available to schools and other community groups

“These beautiful amateur films remind us that the wonder of our part of the world and our love of it is timeless” said “Grampians Wildlife Arts Society” President, Glenda Lewin, “and Stephen Powell's intimate little film of the entrancing dances and songs of the Lyrebirds in his garden is a fabulous contrast with its use of today's possibilities.”

Entry is by gold coin donation, light refreshments will be served and every-one is welcome.

**Tuesday 30th August
at 7:00 pm**

The festivities will be held at
the Halls Gap Community Hall

