

# peter norton

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Peter Norton's exquisite ICE series, launched in November 2004, was met with wonder and admiration. In response to this success, a further exhibition featuring new and selected works, 'Captured in Ice', will open on Thursday 24th February at the CityLiving Gallery at Walsh Bay.



Continuing a long term love affair with macro photography, the 'ICE' series has moved Peter's work to a completely new level — by freezing flowers and other flora in large blocks of ice and then capturing images as the ice gradually melts away.



Using only natural sunlight, Peter has achieved a unique and sensational result. As the ice slowly dissolves, streams of colour are drawn from the subject reflected through the ice in a burst of bubbles and ripples of water.

A innovative concept, the series evolved after a photographic expedition to Antarctica where Peter was entranced by the depth and beauty of his surroundings and the amazing wildlife and flora. This led to exploration of the actual freezing process and experimentation, until the concept was perfected and the 'ICE' series was born.



Breathtakingly beautiful, the images are further enhanced with an innovative new technique of face-mounting onto deep sheets of perspex, with polished edges, giving amazing depth and life.

"Peter Norton, formerly a fashion designer, pursues photography with a passion, making dense, lush images of flowers he freezes in blocks of ice.

Norton's images, made using abundant natural light, add crystalline, grace and mystery to the portrayal of everything from poppies to angular succulents" said Robert McFarlane, Photography Critic, The Sydney Morning Herald.



This exhibition, like with the highly successful 'Bloom' exhibition in 2003, shows the artist's growing expertise and increasingly innovative approach to photography, and image presentation.

All images are produced in-house, printed by the artist, on achievable high gloss photographic paper.



For Media enquiries for interviews, for printable quality images, or if you would like to view the exhibition prior to the opening, please contact Peter Norton direct on (02) 9566 4103.

## CITYLIVING GALLERY

Shop 10, Pier 8/9 Foreshore Promenade 23 Hickson Road Walsh Bay NSW 2000  
Ph. 9299 0990 Fax. 9299 0880 Gallery Hours: Tues - Wed 9.00 am to 8.00 pm  
Saturday 10.00 am to 3.00 pm or by appointment