

## **Breathtaking aerial photographs of the Australian landscape on display**

A collection of aerial photographs of the Australian landscape are being showcased in the exhibition *Abstract Earth: Photography by Richard Woldendorp* now underway at Fremantle Prison.

Fremantle Prison's Head Curator Sandra Murray said the Prison was honoured to host this exhibition by one of Australia's leading landscape photographers, being toured nationally by Art on the Move.

"The largely Western Australian images range from the Kimberley to Esperance to the Great Sandy Desert. They include National Heritage sites such as Ningaloo Reef – making Fremantle Prison, with its recent recognition as a World Heritage site, the perfect backdrop for these outstanding photographs," Ms Murray said.

Dutch born photographer Richard Woldendorp comments, "The Australian landscape has always appealed to me. There's something about it – its spaciousness, its character, the light and its uniqueness."

"I found that by looking at the landscape from the air, many characteristics revealed themselves much better and form a strong image not visible at ground level. It shows the evolution and the geographical variations.

"Nature is a great teacher. Observing and experiencing it can stimulate our creative senses which in turn is beneficial to ourselves and our environment."

The exhibition runs from 3 February to 3 April 2011 in the Prison Gallery at Fremantle Prison. Admission to the exhibition is free, open 9am to 5pm daily. The exhibition is accompanied by a comprehensive illustrated publication available for purchase from the Gift Shop.

*Abstract Earth: Photography by Richard Woldendorp is an exhibition of photographs presented by Richard and Lyn Woldendorp.*

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**Images are available on request. Richard Woldendorp is available for interview.**

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