

PUBLIC LECTURE

Professor Jack Pettigrew, Fellow of the Royal Society presents the H Barry Collin Research Medal Lecture at SRC



We are delighted that Professor Jack Pettigrew will present the H Barry Collin Public Research Medal lecture at SRC. The lecture, 'Exploring the Visual Systems of Monks and Extinct Bradshaw Rock Artists', promises to be a highlight of the program.

Professor Pettigrew's interests and publications range wide. He recently made headlines when he and his team made the remarkable discovery that famous Indigenous rock paintings in the Kimberley, dating back 40,000 years, have retained their colour as a result of being colonised by colourful fungi and bacteria which effectively function as living pigments. 'Eclectic' does not seem to effectively describe Professor Pettigrew's, who has published on topics from the cat striate cortex to algorithms for stereopsis; the evolution of echolocation in bats; and sleep in the platypus.

The lecture is open free of charge to the public — a great opportunity to show your friends and family that vision science is not just the dry stuff of physics and optics, but a vibrant field of life science, from which we can learn much about the natural world, and about our own nature too.

The H Barry Collin Lecture will be held on Monday May 16, 3.00 - 4.00pm in the main Plenary Hall of the Melbourne Convention Centre.

Register now at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/HBarryCollinResearchMedalLecture

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