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## RANZCO Museum

## Display in Hobart

The 2013 Congress in Hobart provided the perfect opportunity to showcase the best of the Museum in the best room in the house. The Museum displays were combined in the Seniors Lounge with sweeping waterfront views.

On display were fine books dating from the mid-19th century, including Liebrich's atlas of exquisite retinal paintings together with a Liebrich ophthalmoscope, and rare late 19th century Weiss catalogues matched with their described instruments from the Museum collection. Displays of instruments in the evolution of corneal transplantation and pharmacy were supported by posters on the treatment of trachoma in 1920 and the history of corneal transplantation in Australia.



Delegates enjoying the RANZCO Museum display

Prof Ian McAllister from Perth kindly loaned an entire cabinet of ocular homeopathy and homeopathic devices for strengthening eyesight from his collection for display.

The exhibition was made possible by the tireless work of Kirsten Campbell, Assistant Curator and her sister Megan, an archival restorer. Caroline Ondracek sourced and collated the book exhibit.

The Seniors Lounge also provided an excellent venue for the lunch time talks on art, iPads and how to access the digital Museum, together with a talk on ophthalmic curiosities.

It is the first time we have been able to display extensively from a private collection and hope we can do this again, as it enriches our access to wonderful material. The exhibition provided a lot of interest and offers of help and artefacts were freely forthcoming.

The website (http://www.ranzco.edu/museum) is being constantly updated and will shortly have a "how to use it" tab.

Dr David Kaufman Curator



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Dr David Kaufman presents at the RANZCO Museum display



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Ms Kirsten Campbell presenting at the RANZCO Museum display