MINISTER FOR LANDS, PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

INAUGURAL HERITAGE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

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Territorians have an opportunity to show off their photographic skills and historical knowledge with a brand new competition.

Minister for Lands Planning and the Environment Peter Chandler today launched the inaugural Heritage Photographic Competition, in conjunction with the National Trust.

“The competition encourages people of all ages to photograph heritage places including buildings, townscapes, Aboriginal archaeological sites, underwater cultural heritage such as shipwrecks and submerged plane wrecks, and places of natural significance,” Mr Chandler said.

“However places do not have to be heritage-listed. Participants could also photograph places they know and value, and which they think should be retained for the benefit of future generations.”

“Young people are particularly encouraged to enter as there will be a special prize for the best photograph taken by someone under 18 years of age.

“I will be encouraging schools to get involved in the competition because there is great educational value in researching local historical sites.”

President of the National Trust, Trevor Horman, said he was very glad to be working with the Government on the competition.

“It’s a great way for people in the community to show which places are important to them, and that it would provide an opportunity to showcase the unique and diverse heritage of the Northern Territory.

Short-listed entries will be put on exhibition in both Darwin and Alice Springs, in July or August 2014. Entries are now open, and close on 20 June 2014.

More information at: www.dlpe.nt.gov.au/heritage/photo-competition

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