



MELBOURNE FRIENDS OF THE NATIONAL FILM AND SOUND ARCHIVE

ZOOM PRESENTATION SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER AT 2PM

Silent Movies, Silent Man: in search of Australian-born film actor Andre de Beranger

Bryony Cosgrove

Dear Friends,

We are delighted to follow up our two successful webinar presentations in July and August with another great event in September. Earlier this year, Dr Bryony Cosgrove had arranged to speak at one of our **Sundays with Friends** at Port Melbourne, in September. Now that live presentations are impossible, Bryony has offered to speak online. She has given us the following synopsis:

George Beringer, known in Hollywood as Andre de Beranger, was an Australian-born silent film actor who reached the height of his fame in the 1920s. He acted in and directed dozens of movies in the United States, England and Europe. Today he is almost unknown, lucky to rate even a footnote in the golden days of silent film.

Bryony Cosgrove researched Beringer's life and career for her MA thesis 'Silent Movies, Silent Man'. She worked for many years in book publishing and as a university lecturer, completed a PhD on the art and artifice of published letter collections, edited for publication the 50-year correspondence between Judith Wright and Barbara Blackman, and is now working at Heide Museum of Modern Art.

Bryony's partner, Philip Heath, is George Beringer's great-nephew, and he has inherited several of George's hats and his cane, as well as an interest in acting, aside from his profession as an environmental planner and consultant.

There is a limited number of attendees at this webinar, so registration is essential.

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