

"This is Navalny" by Evgeny Feldman A Landmark Exhibition Honouring a Fallen Hero

Friday 14 February 2025: 2pm - 3pm

Goldstone Gallery, 41 Derby Street, Collingwood, VIC 3066

The <u>Goldstone Gallery</u> in Collingwood proudly announces its inaugural exhibition, *This is Navalny*, the first solo show by esteemed Russian Jewish photojournalist **Evgeny Feldman**.

This powerful exhibition commemorates the oneyear anniversary of Alexei Navalny's tragic death in a Siberian penal colony and pays tribute to Russia's iconic opposition leader.

Through Feldman's lens, *This is Navalny* captures the indomitable spirit of a man who dared to confront authoritarianism, offering a profound and intimate portrayal of his life, activism, and legacy.



The exhibition features over a decade of Feldman's work documenting Navalny's extraordinary journey. Evgeny Feldman, now exiled in Latvia since 2022, is planning to travel to Australia to open the exhibition and present a public program.

In a special event for AIIA VIC members, Evgeny Feldman will conduct a private guided tour of the exhibition, Friday 14 February from 2pm-3pm.

Numbers are strictly limited to **25**.



Evgeny Feldman is renowned for documenting political and social upheavals. From 2011 to 2022, Feldman closely followed Alexei Navalny's evolution from an anti-corruption blogger to a prominent opposition leader challenging Vladimir Putin's regime. His photographs provide a visceral, unfiltered look into Navalny's life: electrifying speeches at mass protests, quiet moments of reflection, arrests, brutal crackdowns, and the relentless persecution Navalny endured. Feldman's work also reveals the resilience of Navalny's movement, offering viewers an intimate glimpse into both the public and private sides of a historic struggle for democracy. Feldman's photography has been widely published, contributing significantly to international awareness of Navalny's activism and the broader political landscape in Russia. As a contributor to Meduza,

Russia's leading independent news outlet located in exile in Latvia, Feldman has played a key role in amplifying the voices of those challenging state oppression.

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