My Home My History
By Dr Suzanne Goopy, David Lloyd & Angela Blakely

In association with the 2008 Brisbane Festival 2008 the Brisbane Square Library presents My Home My History (Blakely/Lloyd and Goopy) a documentary photographic collection that tells the story of a generation of Italians who left their homeland after the heartache of WWII to start a new life in Australia. The photographs illustrate a sense of loyalty to their past, while wholeheartedly embracing their future. The images are simple and honest, narrating history, culture, identity and attitude of Italo-Australian domestic life.

Mangiare Bene
(to eat well)
By Dr Suzanne Goopy & Suzanne Howard

Mangiare Bene is an ethno-documentary film by visual anthropologists Suzanne Goopy and independent film-maker Suzanne Howard. It presents an intimate and touching portrait of a successful migrant family - who worked hard, openly embracing the new opportunities Australia offered while remaining proud of their Italian heritage. As we spend a year with Johnny and Maria, in and around their family home in Brisbane, Australia we are transported to a world where the food and rituals of the Abruzzo region, still play a major role in family life.

Running Time: Approx 75 minutes Screening Daily throughout July: 2pm

La Casa
By Dr Suzanne Goopy

This is the third element in the Brisbane Square Library’s July exhibition. In association with Brisbane Festival 2008 La Casa: Food, Friends and Family places on view an intimate collection of photographs and objects which explore the creation and maintenance of “Italianness” and “Identity” in Australia.

The exhibition runs from July 5 to July 31, 2008 Supported by Griffith University’s Centre for Public Culture and Ideas and Creative for Life.

Associated events: Opening – Premiere of Ethno-Documentary film Saturday 05 July (Invitation Only - Time TBA)
Talks/Tours with Dr Suzanne Goopy: Sun 13th July (11:30am–2:00pm)
Sat 19th July (11:30am–2:00pm)
Wed 23rd July (11am - 2pm)