

GETTING THINGS DONE

Victorian Budget 18/19



The Hon Martin Foley MP

Minister for Creative Industries

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Creating jobs and inspiring creative talent

More Victorians will be able to enjoy our museums and galleries with plans to redevelop and protect some of our biggest cultural attractions – helping to create jobs, boost the economy and inspire creative talent.

The *Victorian Budget 2018/19* includes \$78.7 million to revolutionise the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI), keep our creative institutions sustainable and support Aboriginal Victorians in their creative endeavours.

Museums Victoria, the Geelong Performing Arts Centre and programs at the National Gallery of Victoria will receive \$34.8 million to maintain their collections for generations of Victorians to come.

Our world-class performing arts organisations will be able to develop links with international institutions and bring better shows to Victorian stages with \$2.9 million to hold the Australian Performing Arts Market in Melbourne from 2019 to 2024.

The Andrews Labor Government will also invest \$1 million to implement the *Creative Victoria First Peoples Plan*, to support Aboriginal festivals and events across the state, and provide more opportunities for Aboriginal Victorians to work in the creative industries.

A \$31.6 million investment will transform ACMI, with the biggest redevelopment in its 16-year history to improve the visitor experience, support cutting-edge technology and expand educational programs for young creatives.

The project will create around 100 construction jobs and increase visitors by 50 per cent to around two million per year.

The Labor Government is also supporting our local screen industry with a \$8.4 million investment in film and television production to secure jobs for more than 11,000 Victorians working in the industry, and build on the strength of our growing games sector.

Creative industries contribute \$23 billion to Victoria's economy every year and draw many thousands of visitors to Victoria, supporting jobs across the state.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Creative Industries Martin Foley

"Victoria is the creative state and we're keeping it that way – backing our creative institutions so they can continue to inspire Victorians, attract visitors and support jobs."

"Whether you work in the creative industries or are a lover of art, fashion, music and theatre, we're investing to make a creative experience for every Victorian."

"Our First Peoples Plan will contribute to sharing the creativity, history and knowledge of the longest continuing culture in the world – and break barriers so talented Aboriginal Victorians can showcase their work to the world."