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NEW PRESIDENT FOR ACMI AND ITS RENEWAL

Business leader and digital transformation expert Janet Matton has been appointed president of the board of the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI).

Ms Matton brings a wealth of expertise in complex business management and global operations to the helm of Australia's national museum of film, TV, videogames and digital culture.

With more than 20 years of senior corporate experience across multiple disciplines including finance, HR, strategy and IT, Ms Matton also has broad international experience having spent 12 years working in the US, UK, Europe, Japan and China.

Ms Matton is currently chair of the Eastern Community Legal Centre, director of Epworth HealthCare, deputy chair of the Better Care Victoria Board and a director of Pitt & Sherry, a national engineering consulting practice.

Prior to her current roles she was the vice-president/head of operations for IBM in Australia and New Zealand, overseeing the company's widespread and robust management systems.

Ms Matton's passion for women in business and her experience in digital transformation won her the 2010 Victorian Telstra Business Woman of the Year award.

Starting in the role on 1 July 2019, she succeeds Peter Lewinsky who has served as president since 2014 and on the board for nine years. Also retiring are long-standing board members Michael Wachtel and Jan Chapman AO.

Managing-director of Blackfella Films and award-winning producer Darren Dale also joins the board. Dale has worked on acclaimed projects including *First Australians*, *Redfern Now* and *Deep Water: The Real Story*.

With the support of the Andrews Labor Government, ACMI's Federation Square museum is currently undergoing a transformational \$40 million renewal and is set to reopen in mid-2020.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Creative Industries Martin Foley

"Janet Matton's strategic ability, global experience and deep understanding of the transformational impact of technology makes her a strong fit for one of our most forward-looking cultural institutions."

"I acknowledge the hard work and exemplary nine-year contribution of Peter Lewinsky who, along with the other retiring board members, has ensured ACMI is well positioned for an exciting and successful future."

Quotes attributable to incoming ACMI president Janet Matton

"ACMI is a much-loved cultural institution, with a strong track record and a bold vision that will position it at the forefront of museums globally."

"I am honoured and excited to work with the board, with Katrina Sedgwick and the whole ACMI team to bring this visionary renewal to life and to the people of Victoria."

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