Melbourne Arts Precinct Transformation

Construction update August 2023

Sturt Street intersection changes

The project will be making some changes to the Sturt and Kavanagh streets intersection to improve safety for traffic and pedestrians.

A trial will be taking place between 7am Wednesday 9 August and 2pm Saturday 19 August which will see the 2 left traffic lanes into the Arts Centre Melbourne car park closed during construction hours. Entry to both levels of the car park will still be available via lane 3. Exit from the car park will be via lane 4 and the Southbank Boulevard exit. Outside of construction hours, the 2 left lanes into the car park will reopen. Please follow the arrows and signage.

Construction hours:

- Monday to Friday 7am to 7pm
- Saturday 8am to 3pm

Pedestrian access

Pedestrian access into the Arts Centre Melbourne car park will only be from the southern side of the intersection (the right-hand lane closest to NGV). Signage and traffic management will be in place to assist with navigating the area.

Pedestrians are encouraged to use the pedestrian bridge between Arts Centre Melbourne Forecourt and the Primrose Potter Australian Ballet Centre (PPABC). The pedestrian bridge is accessible between 6am and 1am Monday to Saturday, and 9am to 11pm on Sunday. To access this bridge from Kavanagh Street, you can enter the PPABC building, take the lift to the 4th floor and cross the bridge to Arts Centre Melbourne and NGV.

Below is a map showing the new pedestrian and traffic routes.

77 Southbank Boulevard deconstruction

Delta Group has been appointed as the contractor to lead the deconstruction of 77 Southbank Boulevard, that will make way for The Fox: NGV Contemporary. From Thursday 10 August, there will be removalists accessing the site via the loading dock on Kavanagh Street.

NGV International North Foyer

The North Foyer entrance to NGV International has been closed, directing all visitors to the Waterwall entrance.

Arts Centre Melbourne

Works around Arts Centre Melbourne have been ramping up. Throughout July, existing electricity cables underneath Sturt Street have been diverted in preparation for future works. Geotechnical surveying was also underway on site to inform the design for Arts Centre Melbourne's new underground Loading Dock. More noticeably, 2 excavators have been on site removing concrete pavement and soil to make way for the upcoming piling works that are scheduled to take place in the coming months.

For more information

You can find out more about the project online at artsprecinct.melbourne.

If you have any questions about the project, please email mapt@development.vic.gov.au.













Sturt Street intersection vehicle and pedestrian access map

How pedestrians and vehicles travel through the Sturt Street/Kavanagh Street intersection.











