

# Melbourne Arts Precinct Transformation

## Construction update February 2023

While early works on the Melbourne Arts Precinct Transformation continue behind Arts Centre Melbourne, you will also start to see more construction activity around the precinct.

Arts Centre Melbourne, NGV International and The Primrose Potter Australian Ballet Centre remain open for business throughout, and you can keep attending their performances, exhibitions and events. Works will not disrupt Arts Centre Melbourne performances.

## Changes to the Ballet Bridge access

The pedestrian footbridge connecting Arts Centre Melbourne's Theatres Building (under the Spire) to Level 4 of The Primrose Potter Australian Ballet Centre will be temporarily closed and taken down. A new bridge will be installed at a different angle to progress works in that area.

### What to expect

When this work is underway wayfinding signs and traffic management will be in place.

The new temporary bridge will be fully accessible when installed.

We will directly contact nearby residents, businesses and organisations about the timing of these changes.

## Hoarding around the NGV Garden

To ensure that the precinct can continue to operate during works, we are temporarily moving utilities and services to the back of the NGV Garden. You'll see hoarding installed in the NGV Garden along the NGV fence line as part of these works.

## Harold Alexander Terrace removal continues

You will have seen the terrace being removed behind Arts Centre Melbourne in preparation for future stages of the project. Large beams at the southern end of the terrace will be removed when the Ballet Bridge is taken down. Site clearing is also underway.

### What to expect

- General medium-level construction noise during the day
- Intermittent noise from saw cutting and pulverising concrete
- Hammering associated with removal of in-situ concrete elements.
- Changes to pedestrian routes between Arts Centre Melbourne and The Primrose Potter Australian Ballet Centre

## Trees in Sturt Street

In order to make changes to the Ballet Bridge and continue works, three Plane trees in Sturt Street, next to The Primrose Potter Australian Ballet Centre, will be removed on 21 February 2023.

## Sturt Street closure

We anticipate that the remaining section of Sturt Street that is in the project boundary, between Kavanagh Street and Southbank Boulevard, will close in March 2023, subject to final permits and approvals.

**Arts Centre Melbourne's car park will remain open throughout the project, accessible via Kavanagh Street.**

Detailed information will be distributed about this closure.

## For more information

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