

HERITAGE-NEWS: October 2020

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Narryna – What Happened in Lockdown

Hobart's Narryna museum kept itself busy during the COVID-19 lockdown period, using a time of enforced closure to address long-deferred maintenance issues. For more details click [here](#).

Synagogue Records Transcribed

A request for volunteers to help transcribe the Hobart Hebrew Congregation's meeting minutes at the start of the COVID-19 lockdown resulted in a quick turnaround for the laborious exercise. For the full story click [here](#).

Built Heritage Course One Step Closer

A Tasmanian-developed 'Managing Built Heritage Course' has been accredited by the Australian Skills and Quality Authority. For more information click [here](#).

Funding for Historic Convict Sites Welcomed

Three grants worth a total of \$2.65 million have been allocated to the Cascades Female Factory in South Hobart, and Brickendon and Woolmers Estates just South of Longford. Full details [here](#).

Open House Hobart – Virtual Launch

Open House Hobart is back again for 2021, taking place as both a virtual and face-to-face event on November 14 and 15, 2020. The team at the Tasmanian Branch of the Institute of Architects have been working closely with the City of Hobart to provide a COVID-19 safe event that adheres to the Government's COVID-19 guidelines, but one which will allow Tasmanians to experience and learn about architecture and the built environment of Tasmania's capital city. A limited number of pre-booked tours will be available in small groups. For those who don't feel comfortable to visit sites in person, a number of virtual tours will be held across the weekend. For more information, head to the [Open House Hobart website](#).

Ensuring Maria Island's Future

The Parks and Wildlife Service, together with Tasmanian consultancy Inspiring Place, is working to develop a new Maria Island National Park and Ile Des Phoques Nature Reserve Management Plan (the management plan) and Maria Island National Park Darlington Site Plan (the site plan). Changes to legislation related to the protection and management of Tasmania's national parks,

reserves and Aboriginal cultural heritage; and the 2007 listing of the Darlington Probation Station as one of the Australian Convict Sites on the World Heritage List are amongst the reasons for the revision of these important plans. Other reasons for the review include the introduction of the Tasmanian Devil onto Maria Island, growth in visitation and increased commercial activity and interest in the area. The review and update of these plans will take place concurrently and will take up to two years to complete and include extensive consultation. For more information click [here](#).

Business Growth Loans Scheme

Owners of a business premises permanently entered on the Tasmanian Heritage Register now have a new way to secure funding to help them establish a new business or refresh an existing business through the Business Growth Loans Scheme. For more details click [here](#).

PRESENTATION: Power of Preservation – The Economic Value Heritage Creates for Hobart

Monday 16 November 2020 | 6:00pm – 7:00pm | Online webinar

Global expert in heritage economics, Donovan Rypkema and a panel of experts will talk about the value of Hobart's heritage – how reusing heritage buildings and protecting streetscapes is the smart way to develop. Donovan Rypkema will be in conversation with Anna Reynolds, Lord Mayor of Hobart, and panellists Lucy Burke-Smith, Associate of international architecture and heritage consultancy practice Purcell, and Peter Lovell, Director and Founding Principal of architecture and heritage consultancy Lovell Chen. This is a CityTalks event in collaboration with Open House Hobart. CityTalks is a new series of events to inspire ideas and innovation for Hobart's future. The event series is a partnership between the City of Hobart and the University of Tasmania. Book [here](#). The series is also available on the Island of Ideas [YouTube channel](#).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: University of Melbourne Short Courses

The Uni of Melbourne's Australian Centre for Architectural History, Urban and Cultural Heritage is offering four professional development short courses in urban and cultural heritage. For more information click [here](#).

CONFERENCE: Oral History Tasmania Conference 2021 – Call for Presentations

People interested in Oral History are invited to submit a proposal for a presentation to a national Oral History conference, planned to be held in Launceston 14–16 October 2021. The biennial conference will be hosted jointly by Oral History Tasmania and Oral History Australia and supported by the Faculty of Arts, Law and Education at the University of Tasmania and the Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery. Should COVID-19 restrictions make a face-to-face conference impossible, it will be held virtually. Details can be found at <http://www.oralhistorytas.org.au/comingEvents.html>

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