

MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIAN DEMOCRACY



Australia's democracy needs us

Australia's satisfaction with democracy has dropped to 42%.

The majority of Australians no longer trust democratic institutions.

Is democracy in crisis?

Told through powerful stories of democracy in action, our new exhibition *Democracy. Are you in?* will provoke thought and motivate visitors to recognise the power of their voice.

Democracy. Are you in? opens 9 August 2018.

[Plan your visit today ›](#)



Canberra
Writers
Festival

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Canberra Writers Festival 2018

As foundation partner of the Canberra Writers Festival, we're proud to once again host a range of festival events that examine writing and writers through the filter of *Power, Politics and Passion*.

Reflect on 75 Years of women in Australian Parliament, hear Ann Aly's remarkable journey from Cairo to Canberra or ponder whether books will always matter with children's author Morris Gleitzman.

[Check out all the events on offer here at MoAD >](#)

Upcoming tours



Mystery Tour: Daring Dames

Celebrate 75 years of women in Federal Parliament with this special tour. Featuring stories about Enid Lyons, Dorothy Tangney and the many other women who worked



Insights Group Tour

Let us take your group on a tour that explores the big ideas and events of Australia's political history, in the very places where they occurred.

here.

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Upcoming events



[Breaking Through exhibition launch event](#)

Our new exhibition *Breaking Through* explores the journeys of 11 trailblazing women who were the first to hold particular positions in parliament, told through their own voices.

Join us for the launch of *Breaking Through* by bestselling author Kathy Lette, with special guest speaker The Hon Kelly O'Dwyer, Minister for Women. Launch event presented in partnership with the Canberra Writers Festival.

When: Saturday 25 August, noon – 12:30 pm

Where: King's Hall, Museum of Australian Democracy

[Event details ›](#)

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From auspol-themed card games to our children's *PlayUP* range, our Little Corner Shop is the perfect place to find that ideal memento or gift for friends and family.

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High tea at Hoi Polloi

White chocolate lamingtons, pistachio brownies, buttermilk scones with chantilly cream...

Why not visit MoAD and indulge in a superb high tea at Hoi Polloi?
Available every weekend.

Sessions at 11.30 am and 1 pm.

\$49 per person. Bookings essential

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From the collection



Cathy McGowan's political survival kit

One of Federal MP Cathy McGowan's friends gave her a humorous 'survival kit' to help her through the 2016 campaign to retain the Victorian seat of Indi. Revealing the human side of

politics, it included, among other things, a dummy 'in case anyone needs a dummy spit' toy dinosaurs for 'dealing with ancient, out-of-date attitudes or people', a large eraser to remind her that 'everyone makes mistakes' and sparkling wine for celebrating.

[On display from 9 August in *Democracy. Are you in?* ›](#)

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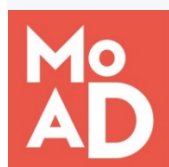
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