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Step through the Looking Glass into Behind the Lines: The Year's Best Political Cartoons 2018

With the political turmoil of the last 12 months, do you ever think you've gone through the looking glass to a strange and topsy-turvy world where nothing is as it seems?

[Introducing Cartoonist of the Year 2018](#)

[Matt Golding](#)

Don't worry, you're not alone.

Each week Australia's political cartoonists have captured the goings-on in parliament with their usual humour and wit, from Section 44 claiming more heads than the Queen of Hearts to marriage equality, climate change, Barnaby's dramas, and of course, the federal leadership spill that gave us another new prime minister.

Follow us down the rabbit-hole in **Behind the Lines: The Year's Best Political Cartoons 2018**, with this year's theme Curiouser and Curiouser inspired by Lewis Carroll's *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

Open for the next 12 months, the exhibition showcases strange and topsy-turvy Wonderland of politics.

[Venture down the rabbit hole >](#)



Congratulations to Matt Golding for being named Cartoonist of the Year! Matt is a freelance cartoonist based in Melbourne and draws for the *Sunday Age*.

He was presented with the award at the launch of **Behind the Lines: The Year's Best Political Cartoons 2018** on the 16th of November.



Democracy 2025: Bridging the Trust Divide

Trust in our democracy is at an all-time low, and if current trends continue, by 2025, fewer than 10 per cent of Australians will trust their politicians.

In partnership with the University of Canberra's Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis, MoAD is taking action to address this problem through a bold new initiative - **Democracy 2025**.

Democracy 2025 aims to bridge the trust divide and re-engage Australians with their democracy.

[Find out more >](#)

What's On At MoAD



Festive Season at Friday Night Drinks

As the year draws to a end, don't miss out on the last Friday Night Drinks of the year!

Join us in the beautiful courtyard for a special Christmas session, complete with festive drinks, food, and music.

Start your holiday season off right, and send 2018 out with a bang.

When: Friday 14 December, 4pm until late.

Don't miss Happy Hour from 4:30pm – 5:30pm offering \$5 house beer and wine.

[Join the festivities >](#)



Down the Rabbit Hole: Behind the Lines 2018 Exhibition Tour

Join us for a 30 minute tour to go down the rabbit hole and explore the Behind the Lines 2018 exhibition.

Enjoy the best political cartoons from the past year and find out why and how MoAD puts this exhibition together each year.

Bookings are essential.

When: Daily at 11.30am from 26 December until 28 January.

Cost: Tickets are \$5.00 per person

[Tour the exhibition >](#)



After Dark: Ghost Hunters Tour

Join us for a torchlight tour of mysterious occurrences and dastardly deeds at Old Parliament House.



Craftivism, quilts and human rights: A #UDHRquilt Project event

To mark the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), join MoAD in a celebration of craftivism, quilts and human rights.

Help us solve the mystery of the ghostly encounters that have been experienced here after the sun goes down.

Back by popular demand for a limited summer season. Get in quick for the perfect Christmas gift.

When: Check our website for the next available session.

Cost: Tickets are \$29 per person

[Experience the ghost hunt >](#)

Start your Christmas shopping at MoAD's Little Corner Shop

New Behind The Lines 2018 merchandise is here! While you're checking out the new cartoons, pick up the perfect gift for the political enthusiast or cartooning lover in your life.

You might even decide to treat yourself to an early Christmas present too!

[Visit the Little Corner Shop >](#)

Meet Tal Fitzpatrick, #UDHRquilt project coordinator and create your very own UDHR embroidery sampler.

Join us to explore the exhibition and enjoy a relaxed morning of crafting.

Bookings essential for this free event.

When: 11am, Saturday 8 December.

[Reserve your spot >](#)



Family Fun at MoAD



[Escape to Wonderland with the Behind the Lines family activities](#)

Children can dress up as the colourful and curious characters of Wonderland and become Alice, the Queen of Hearts, the Cheshire Cat or the Mad Hatter.

Board and card games also await, with special Wonderland twists. Older kids can go on a cartooning trail through the exhibition, following clues and learning about the art of political cartooning.

[Plan your family's next big day out >](#)

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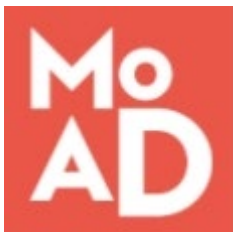
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