
OLD PARLIAMENT HOUSE

March 2016: Enlighten special edition



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10,000 voices: will yours be one of them?

Your voice is powerful and crucial in our democracy. This Enlighten Festival, celebrate the freedom to express yourself in our collaborative family art project Free Speech Floats.

Just you, your ideas and an inflatable speech bubble are all you need to join the conversation and become one of 10,000 voices floating in King's Hall.

[More on Free Speech Floats >](#)

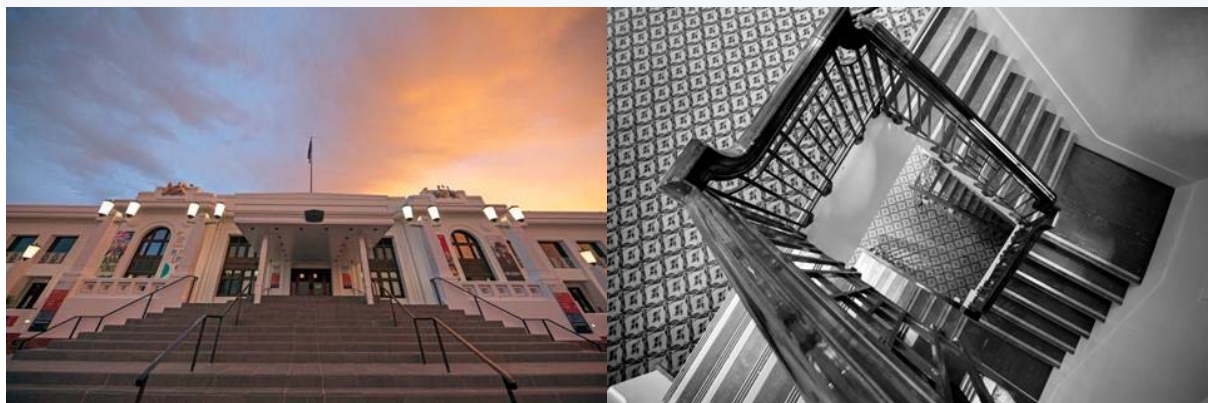


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Night at the Museum

Stunning from the outside, fascinating on the inside!

Find the power of your voice and celebrate the stories and spirit of Australian democracy as you explore this iconic building, the stunning architecture and the inspiring exhibitions after dark.

[Explore the Museum at night >](#)

The haunted House?

Who wanders the Old Parliament House corridors after dark?

Former security guard David shares his tales of strange sounds and eerie shadows that come out to play at the end of the day...

[Hear David's recount of the Museum after dark >](#)



Exclusive rooftop drinks

Unbeatable views of the sunset followed by an exclusive vantage point to watch some of Canberra's most iconic venues brought to life with stunning light projections... experience Enlighten from above this year at Old Parliament House Rooftop drinks.

[Reserve your place now >](#)



Enlighten hunger busters

Enjoy food and music with friends at Friday Night Drinks, find alternative dining options at the new Hoi Polloi restaurant or watch the Parliamentary Triangle come to life at the exclusive rooftop event (details above).

[More on food options >](#)



From the blog: Death, taxes...and From the Collection: Tim's Ties democracy

Tax is in the news again as the Australian government ponders a range of tax reforms.

But did you know tax has been central to some of humanity's greatest revolutions?

The Hon Tim Fischer AC amassed a kaleidoscopic collection of ties over the years. He donated them the Museum last year.

What can be gleaned from 60 years of ties? As it turns out, a great deal.

[Historian Barry York explains >](#)

[Curator Stephanie Pfennigwerth takes a look >](#)

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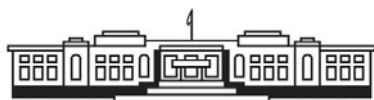
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