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Key Dates

Countdown to MA2010

Less than 6 weeks to go!

Standard Registration

Saturday 31 July - Saturday 2 October 2010

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Thursday August 19, 2010

Preliminary Program now online

Highlights of this year's conference are online in our [Preliminary Program](#) with our biggest ever line-up of international guest speakers and expert Australasian colleagues presenting over five days. Our social program also offers an exciting mix of networking events across several of Melbourne's very best cultural centres.

Members of MA Special Interest Groups and National Networks are also invited to our specially-arranged SIG/NN events and sessions.

Keynote speakers include:

- Professor Richard Sandell
Director and Head of Department of Museum Studies,
University of Leicester
- Professor Stephen Heppell
CEO, Heppell.net
- Joanne Orr
CEO, Museums Galleries Scotland (MGS)
- Professor Morris Vogel
President of the Lower East Side Tenement Museum, New York

Plenary Speakers include:

- Tracey Avery
Director Strategy and Policy, Heritage Victoria
- Professor Warren Bebbington
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (University Affairs), University of Melbourne
- Margaret Birtley
General Manager of Heritage and Tourism, Melbourne Cricket Club
- Joyce Fan
Curator, National Gallery of Art, Singapore
- Dr J. Patrick Greene
CEO, Museum Victoria
- Michelle Hippolite
Kaihautū of Te Papa Tongarewa
- Dr Lynda Kelly
Head of Audience Research, Australian Museum
- Zu-chun Liao
Assistant Curator and Collection Manager, National Museum of Natural Science in Taiwan
- Gina Panebianco
Head of Education and Public Programs, National Gallery of Victoria
- Susanna Lai-kuen Siu
Chief Curator (Heritage & Museum Services) in the Leisure and Cultural Services Department of the Hong Kong Administrative Region
- Vicki Warden
Museum Development Coordinator, Museum Resource Centre Network, Queensland Museum

- Professor Dietrich Wildung
Professor of Egyptology, Free University Berlin and former Chief Curator, Egyptian Museum & Papyrus Collection, Berlin
- Kylie Winkworth
Museum & Heritage Consultant

The [Preliminary Program](#) includes an overview of each day of the conference, more specific timetable information for the parallel and poster presentations will be available on the [program page](#) shortly.

Some bursaries still available for Victorian individuals

Thanks to generous funding from Arts Victoria, City of Melbourne and MA (Vic), we have a limited number of bursary places remaining to assist Victorian museum people to attend the MA National Conference 2010.

Download the [application form and guidelines](#) here. Applications are strongly recommended from regional Victoria and/or Indigenous community groups. Closing date for applications: 5pm AEST on Friday 20 August.

Social Program places selling fast

The Regional & Remote Welcome Reception / Conference Closing Reception is currently sold out, however you can indicate you would like to be placed on a waiting list for this event upon registration at the conference.

There are still places available for the Welcome Reception at the Melbourne Museum, Cocktails & MAPDA Presentation at the State Library of Victoria and the Conference Dinner at the National Gallery of Victoria. See the [Social Program page](#) and [Preliminary Program](#) or more information.

Explore the cultural treasures of Victoria

Whether you are Victorian or visiting our beautiful State, there is plenty to keep you busy beyond the conference program.

The University of Melbourne itself boasts holds a variety of significant [Cultural Collections](#). Within Melbourne city centre, you can enjoy a range of [high-quality cultural experiences](#) with our [Conference Partners](#) including Museum Victoria, the National Gallery of Victoria and the State Library of Victoria, to name a few.

We have also listed some suggested [regional day trips](#) all within two hours' from Melbourne by car or train, to explore the treasures of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, the Mornington Peninsula and Yarra Valley. With over 700 'marvellous museums' in Victoria, it's well worth extending your stay.

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