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***Scenes of our city* reveals today's Brisbane**

The architectural and artistic evolution of Brisbane is revealed through more than 40 works from celebrated artists including Vida Lahey, Margaret Olley, Vernon Ah Kee, Patrick Hockey and Judy Watson in Museum of Brisbane exhibition series *Scenes of our city*.

Scenes of our city, presents 21 artists from the Museum of Brisbane Collection alongside 20 artists from the collection of the Museum's long-time supporters Gadens Brisbane Lawyers in a stunning juxtaposition of contemporary and historic artworks.

Museum of Brisbane Director Renai Grace said *Scenes of our city* explores the architecture and art history of the city from the viewpoint of artists observing the hustle of daily life and changes to the urban landscape.

"Brisbane has been shaped by our subtropical climate, outdoor lifestyle and pivotal moments in the city's history," Ms Grace said.

"This landscape has in turn provided an enduring source of inspiration for local and visiting artists.

"The selection of artworks in *Scenes of our city* reveals the emergence of modern Brisbane and honours the buildings, settings and artists that have shaped its progression to the confident city of today."

Scenes of our city: Gadens Brisbane Collection features selected contemporary works from 20 artists with a connection to Brisbane and urban Indigenous artists. The artworks span more than three decades, with the majority collected during the early stages of the artists' careers in the 1980s. Artists featured include Maureen Hanson, Robert Moore and Karla Marchesi.

Scenes of our city: Museum of Brisbane Collection features a diversity of works spanning more than 80 years, dating from Robert Curtis' 1928 pencil drawing, *Roma Street shunting yards* to Mel McRae's evocative 2009 artwork *Carroll's Corner*.

Scenes of our city closes 16 July 2017.

For more information visit museumofbrisbane.com.au

2017 Schedule of exhibitions

3 March - 16 July 2017

24 March - 30 July 2017

18 August - 12 November 2017

1 December 2017 - 20 May 2018

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About Museum of Brisbane

Museum of Brisbane brings our city's vibrant art, culture and history to life through our FREE exhibitions, workshops, tours, talks and children's activities.

Located in City Hall, the Museum is part of the living history of the city, examining how Brisbane and its people change over time and how our individual and collective stories reveal our character and create our identity. We are also the keeper of City Hall's rich heritage, and visitors can experience a bird's eye view of Brisbane from the top of the iconic Clock Tower on one of our popular tours, as well as learn the many stories and personalities behind City Hall during an insider's tour of the 90-year-old building.

Museum of Brisbane is an avid supporter of the city's artists, designers and artisans. We are dedicated to transforming their artistic vision into a stunning reality through our exhibitions and artist-in-residence programs. The work of Brisbane's artists, designers and chefs can also be found at the Museum Shop which stocks a bespoke range of jewellery, fashion accessories, home-wares, design objects, books, artworks and gourmet food products.

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