

# TRANSFORMING SOUTHBANK BOULEVARD

## Construction update

May 2020

Construction of the Arts Gateway open space is now complete, and planning continues for the new Civic Space to the front of the ABC Southbank Centre. These are two key open space areas being delivered as part of the Transforming Southbank Boulevard project in 2020.



Stone and furniture installation is now complete for the open space

## Health and Safety on site

The health and safety of our workers is our key priority as we continue to deliver projects around the city. We have strict measures in place on site in line with health advice to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. We're limiting the number of workers on site, following social distancing and personal hygiene guidelines and regularly cleaning equipment. While some of these measures may slow activity down, we are making use of extended construction hours introduced by the City of Melbourne.

## Arts Gateway Open Space

This stage of the project has delivered 1200m<sup>2</sup> of new public open space for Southbank, including locally sourced quartzite stone from Castlemaine, 55 large native trees, 16 large grass trees, and a variety of ground level planting, seating, furniture and lighting.

### Works:

- Stone installation and landscaping in front of the Melbourne Recital Centre and Southbank Theatre is now complete, with tree and ground level planting nearing completion.
- Bluestone footpath works to the front of the Buxton Gallery and Melbourne Recital Centre have also been completed, and these areas are open to pedestrian traffic.
- The bike lane along the edge of the roadway will be asphalted in the coming weeks, and will then be open to the public.

## Civic Space

Construction will now shift to the new Civic Space located in front of the ABC building between Moore Street and Sturt Street.

### Works:

- These works will include the demolition of the old roadway to make way for construction of the open space, which includes lawn areas, seating, planting and trees.
- In the coming weeks more information about the detail and timing of this stage will be provided.

## Public lighting and traffic signals

The commissioning of public lighting and traffic signals continues.

### Works:

- Public lighting is being commissioned at St Kilda Road and Sturt Street. Traffic signals will also be commissioned at the Sturt Street and Southbank Boulevard intersection and the Sturt Street and Kavanagh Street intersection.

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