



Media Release – Friday 16 November

First Australian Women's Museum to open in Victoria

Today the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) and *Her Place* Women's Museum Australia announce a partnership, supported by the State Government of Victoria, to house a national Women's Museum at National Trust property, Clarendon Terrace.

Her Place discovers women's stories and achievements, fosters public debate, education resources and provides mobile exhibitions, both online and on site. Their work positions women at the core of the Australian story.

Co-founder of *Her Place*, Mary Delahunty, has described the partnership with the National Trust and State Government as "a milestone moment for Australian Women".

Her Place will link all women's collections and archives across Australian libraries, museums and universities. Providing space for regular exhibitions, public discussion and debate, as well as education resources for teachers and students, *Her Place* represents a significant driving force in gender equity.

The State Government has assisted the establishment of *Her Place* at Clarendon Terrace through a million dollar grant. Minister for Women, Hon Natalie Hutchins MP, together with the Andrews Labor Government, have expressed support of the ongoing work of *Her Place Women's Museum*, stating:

"Her Place celebrates the social, civic and entrepreneurial achievements of Australian women – a celebration which is long overdue.

"We value what we can see. Projects like *Her Place* advance the status of Victorian women by making their contributions visible."

With the opportunity for regular partnership events between *Her Place* and the Trust, Chairman of the National Trust of Australia (Victoria), Kristin Stegley OAM, is delighted that Clarendon Terrace will be the new home for *Her Place*, emphasising the important role both organisations fulfill "as keepers of our important history, heritage and stories."

Friday 16 November, at 10.30am, Hon Natalie Hutchins MP, will be at Clarendon Terrace to announce the establishment of *Her Place*.

Clarendon Terrace is located at 208-210 Clarendon Street, East Melbourne.

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