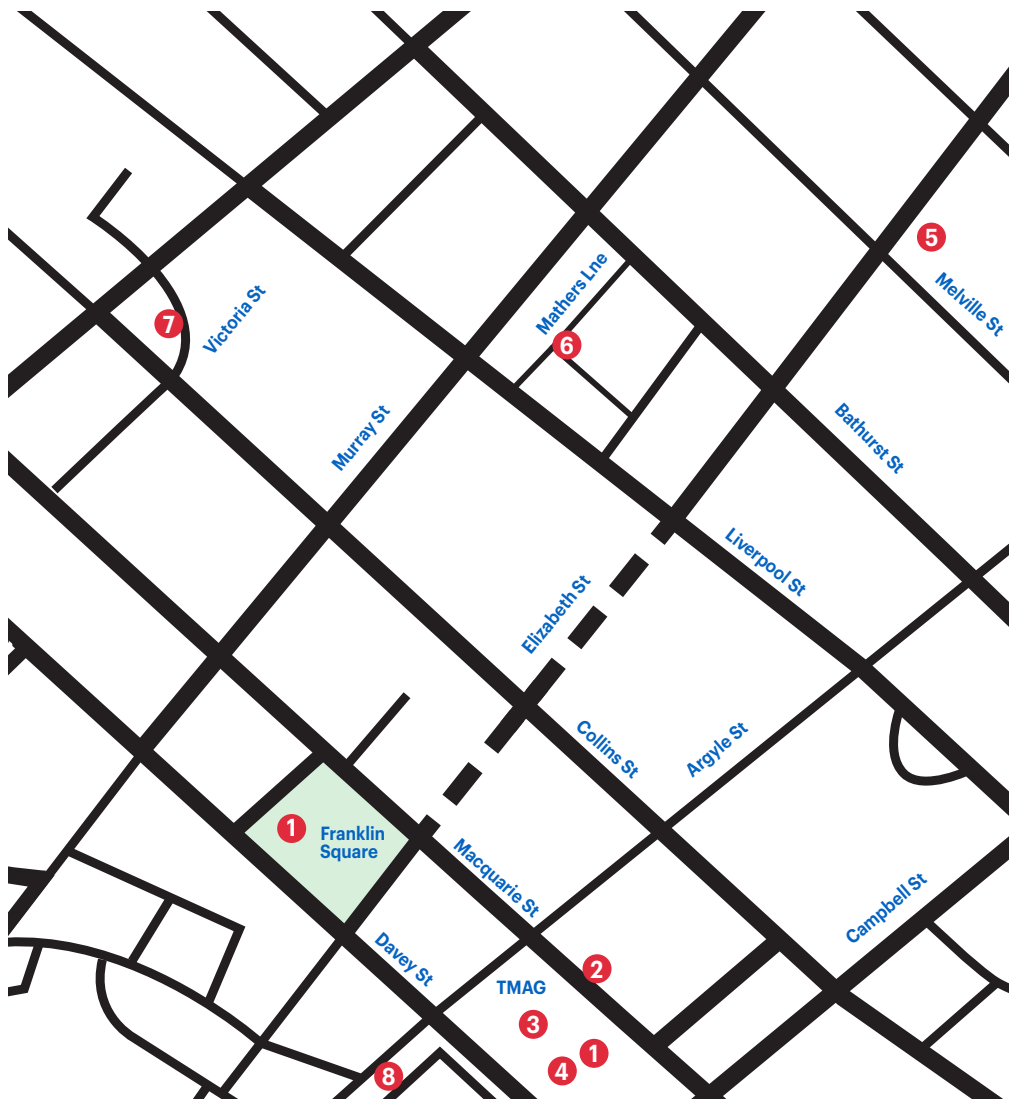


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Hobart Current: Liberty

12 March – 9 May 2021

***Hobart Current: Liberty* is a thought-provoking new contemporary art program and exhibition, featuring new works created by 10 artists from Tasmania, interstate and overseas in response to the theme of 'liberty'.**

Tasmanian artists Sinsa Mansell, Brigita Ozolins, James Newitt, Jacob Leary, Dexter Rosengrave and Nadège Philippe-Janon alongside interstate and international talent Uncle Wes Marne, Suryo Herlambang, Jagath Dheerasekara and Sarah Jane Pell, have all created new works in the mediums of film, installation, performance and visual art.

The program begins at TMAG with an exhibition in the museum's Argyle Galleries and then continues across the city of Hobart. Two of the artists' works are on display at outdoor sites within the CBD and the city is further activated with a range of public programs exploring the 'liberty' theme.

Hobart Current is a major partnership between the City of Hobart and TMAG, supported by Events Tasmania.

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Artworks beyond TMAG

Liberation of Country

Sinsa Mansell
Franklin Square



Liberation of Country is a powerful and original song written and performed by Tasmanian First Peoples artist Sinsa Mansell for *Hobart Current: Liberty*.

Three frequencies will play on three sites: Franklin Square, the TMAG Courtyard, and TMAG's Salon Gallery.

"[Liberation of Country is] a calling to mother Country. A calling to stop and listen. Stop and acknowledge the spirit of the country nipaluna."

- Sinsa Mansell

Image supplied by Sinsa Mansell

MY VOICE

Brigita Ozolins
85 Macquarie Street



Brigita is a multimedia artist who lives in Hobart. Inspired by a passion for literature, she makes art about the links between language, history and identity.

MY VOICE is about the links between language and liberty. It has been inspired by Malala Yousafzai, a Pakistani teenager and the youngest person to ever receive a Nobel Peace Prize. Despite an attempt on her life by the Taliban, and being placed under a Fatwa, she gives voice to girls whose educational opportunities are severely limited. On 12 July 2013, at the Youth Takeover of the United Nations, Malala said: *"I raise up my voice—not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard"*.

During *Hobart Current: Liberty*, Malala's words will be seen on the façade of the office building 85 Macquarie Street, Hobart.

Public Programs

Liberty Talks

TMAG Central Gallery
Saturday, 13 March 2021
11:00am – 12:30pm



Join *Hobart Current: Liberty* Creative Director Rosie Dennis in this roundtable discussion with the ten artists featured in this dynamic contemporary art project.

Liberty Talks will be a unique opportunity to hear all ten artists speak about their work and the process of reflecting deeply on the concept of 'liberty' as they created art in a year like no other.

Bookings essential:

www.tmag.tas.gov.au/whats_on/events

This is a free event with unallocated seating.

Patron advice: This talk will address mature themes and may not be suitable for young children. If you are unable to attend your booking, please cancel in advance to enable your seat to be reallocated to others.

Ten Gays on the Island

TMAG Courtyard
Saturday, 20 March 2021
5:00pm



We're still here, we're still queer, and we're not on the mainland.

Limbo presents *Ten Gays on the Island*, an event for LGBTQ+ people and their friends featuring an evening of live drag shows, roving performances, DJs and more. *Ten Gays on the Island* is created by Limbo as part of *Hobart Current*, celebrating liberty in the most fun way we can – through a party.

Please note: Event sold out

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City of Hobart Public Program

Further complementing the exhibition, the City of Hobart is hosting a program of community activities in public spaces, providing opportunities for Hobart's community to interact with the theme at locations across the city.

Liberty Loop: Films of the People

Elizabeth Street

24 March – 9 May 2021

8:00am – 8:00pm weekdays,

10:00am – 8:00pm weekends



Liberty Loop will showcase the work of photographers, film makers and digital artists at The Loop outdoor public screen on Elizabeth Street. Collated material will grace the big screen daily from 24 March through until May. For the full schedule visit theloophobart.com.au.

The Stare, Second Echo Ensemble

Mathers Place, 108 – 110 Bathurst St

April 2021



Second Echo Ensemble (SEE) are launching a series of portraits to create a place to see and be seen that dismantles 'normal' and empowers the SEE artists living with disability to reflect and share their lived experiences.

Photographed by Dan Cripps

City of Hobart Public Program

Liberty Art

Victoria Street, Hobart CBD
April 2021



Liberty Art will feature eight art frames on Victoria Street dedicated to young people depicting their response to the 'liberty' theme.

Liberty Postcard Exhibition

Waterside Pavilion, Argyle Street
8-10 April 2021



The Liberty Postcard Exhibition will feature creative responses to the theme of 'liberty', submitted by members of the community.

BRIGITA OZOLINS
DEXTER ROSENGRAVE
JACOB LEARY
JAGATH DHEERASEKARA
JAMES NEWITT
NADEGE PHILIPPE-JANON
SARAH JANE PELL
SINSA MANSELL
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