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2025 Year in Review



2025 has been a huge year for ADC producing and presenting **18 exhibitions in Sydney, 14 exhibitions across Australia** and internationally; **more than 100 events**, a **city-wide festival** and loads of digital content.

We've had our fair share of media coverage, not all of it, surprisingly, about funding! And so many wonderful interactions with people who love what we do and value the windows into creative practice that we present.

While we have forecast the decision to close this small but vital institution in June 2026 after 62 years, we are still hopeful of securing the base level funding commitment of \$350,000 per annum we need for two years to enable us to reverse our position.

Many people have asked me how they can help and there are two ways:

1. Connect us with anyone you think might have capacity to save ADC with much-needed funding.
2. Complete [this short survey](#) **by 12 December 2025** to tell us what you value about ADC and the

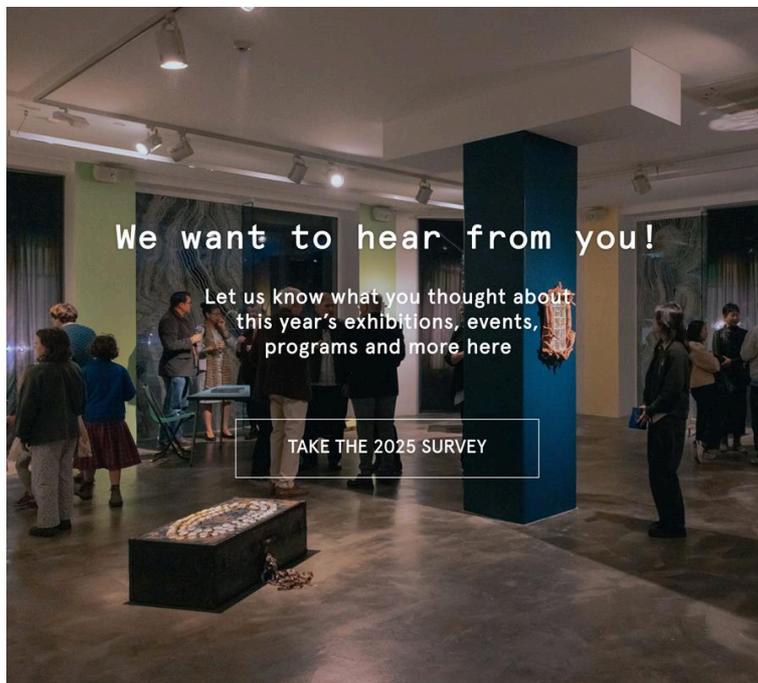
impact the closure may have on you. This will help us to continue to our advocacy work.

On behalf of everyone on the ADC team and volunteer board, I want to acknowledge and thank all the people we have had the pleasure of connecting with this year. There are too many to mention individually but we are grateful to the hundreds of artists, project, festival and tour partners, donors and supporters, funding partners and the huge number of visitors who have attended an ADC exhibition or event or shopped craft and design in our retail store or at a market event.

Wishing everyone a very happy festive season and a relaxing and creative break.

Lisa Cahill

Executive Director (CEO and Artistic Director)



Festive Giving and Holiday Hours

For your festive gift buying this year we have lots of amazing craft and design work available both in Object Shop and the current exhibitions. Support Australian makers and buy local this Christmas.

Australian Design Centre will be closed from 20 December 2025 and reopen on 6 January 2026.

Any Object Shop purchases made online after the 19 December 2025 will be shipped or can be collected after 6 January 2026.



Christmas time at Object Shop

Gift handmade craft & design this holiday season. Check out this year's gift guide now live online.

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Acknowledgement of Country

Australian Design Centre is proud to be a creative place located on Gadigal Country. We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Traditional Owners, the Gadigal People, and to Elders past and present. As a cultural organisation with national connections, we also pay our respects to all First Peoples across the country.

About Australian Design Centre

Established in 1964, Australian Design Centre is an independent impact organisation based in Darlinghurst, Sydney. We support and promote Australia's innovative designer makers, established and emerging, and encourage people to engage with design, craft and creativity through dynamic and high-quality national touring exhibitions, publishing, digital and educational activities.

ADC is supported by the generosity of our partners and donors, the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, State and Territory Governments, the NSW Government through Create NSW, and the City of Sydney.

ADC is a member of Australian Craft and Design Centres network, Australian Museum and Galleries Association, Arts Law, NAVA, Regional and Public Galleries NSW and the Sydney Culture Network.

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The Story So Far Opening at ADC, 2025., In Profile Opening at ADC, 2025.,
MAKE Award Opening Night at ADC, 2025., Second-Look Legacy Opening

Night at ADC, 2025., Vipoo Srivilasa with his artwork, Goddess of Independence, 2024. Object Shop, 2025. Photos by Jacquie Manning.

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