

## National Cultural Policy Submission

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As an artist and past exhibitor at the Australian Design Centre I see the closure of this important opportunity space for established and emerging artists a very negative impact on our Australian representation on a world scale and culturally within our country. Art is an important way to express cultural ideas and bring together community. I have exhibited overseas in Europe and there are so many government supported, design orientated public spaces. It is a shame and embarrassment to see funding be taken away from The Australian Design Centre, one of the few places in Sydney city - an iconic international destination - that offers accessible, varied and dynamic opportunities for artist to showcase their work. There is also an important public art painting for the community and international visitors on the back of the ADC, called the Gadigal Mural with the Aboriginal word Bangawarra incorporated into the design, meaning 'Make' or 'Do' and illustrates the rich unbroken connections between this land and contemporary practices of making and design. We must not lose this important creative space please.