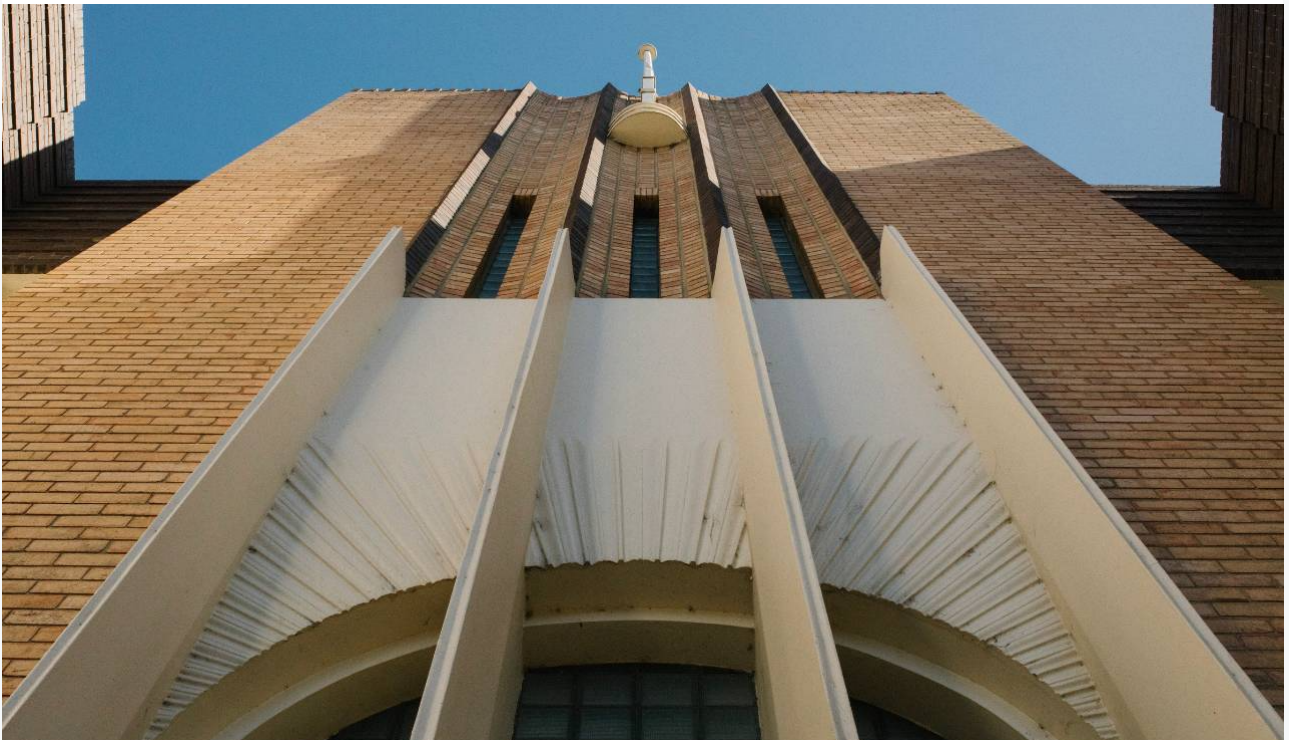


# COLLINGWOOD YARDS



## Johnston Street Building

### Available Space

**An exciting opportunity to join our Collingwood Yards community in a ground floor tenancy!**

We are seeking expressions of interest for a soon to be available ground level tenancy in the iconic Johnston Street building here at Collingwood Yards.

This medium sized space would suit a customer facing contemporary arts enterprise such as a gallery, studio store, or an arts aligned organisation.

If this sounds like you and you would like to contribute to our diverse cultural and artistic community please fill in the following [form](#).



## **New Arrivals**

# **Our new CEO at Collingwood Yards**

**Collingwood Yards is thrilled to announce the appointment of Lauren O’Dwyer as its new Chief Executive Officer from 15 April 2024.**

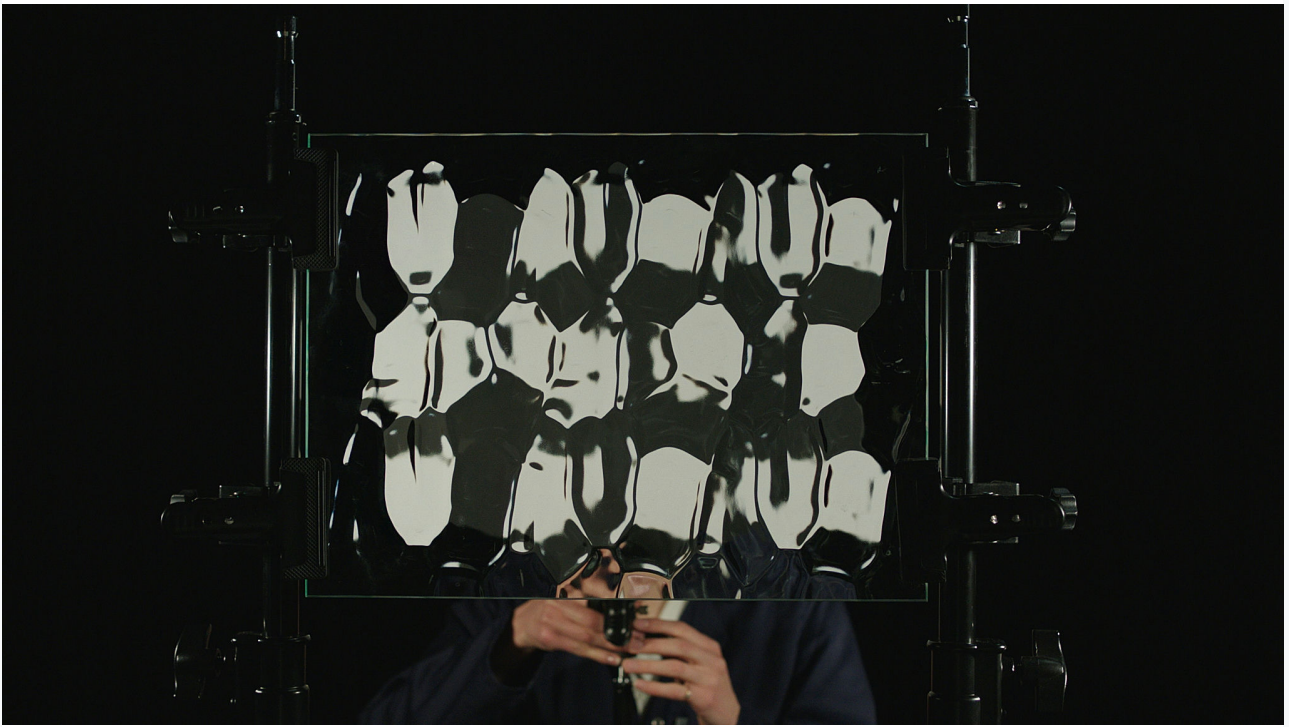
Ms O’Dwyer brings to Collingwood Yards a wealth of experience and deep understanding of the arts sector in Victoria, having held senior roles in the public service, tertiary institutions, politics and the arts. Her leadership is expected to drive further growth and strengthen the precinct’s mission of supporting artists and creatives in a challenging landscape.

*Check out our website for the full story!*

## **Our New Business Administrator at Collingwood Yards**

We'd also like to welcome Sam Jackson to our team as our new Business Administrator. Originally from Perth, Sam has a background in Arts and Business and has come from a documentary team at ACMI.

*Pictured: New CEO Lauren O’Dwyer*



### What's on:

# Collingwood Yards this April

*This month's events:*

- **For kids** - Open House Melbourne is bringing back the *OPEN Play Arts + Crafts Workshop* for the school holidays, Saturday, 6 April.
- **New Exhibition** - *Colour is Enough* at Arts Project Australia opens Saturday, 6 April.
- **View** - West Space's film installation from wani toaishara, *a most beautiful experiment*, is on until 11 May. You can also catch local artist Melissa Nguyen's *Water Street by Night* in the West Space window until 27 April.
- **Discuss** - Social Studio is putting on a *retail feedback event*, Thursday, 18 April. They're seeking input from customers who have shopped with them over the last 12 months.
- **Check out** - Former CY studio artist, Louise Marson's exhibition *Corporeal Discards* debuts Sunday, 7 April at the Yarra Sculpture Gallery.
- **Watch** - *The necessity of ruins* by Gavin Murphy at Composite is running until 20 April.
- **Book Launch** - Bookshop by Uro is hosting the launch of *Urban Surfaces, Graffiti, and the Right to the City* Thursday, 11 April.
- **Learn** - VMDO Links is hosting *Neighbouring Rights* with Susan Cotchin Thursday, 11 April covering everything you need to

know about the current state of Neighbouring Rights.

- **Experience** - Our new public installation by artist Nina Rajcic, a mirrored monolith structure, will be erected in the Collingwood Yards walkway Friday, 19 April.

*Pictured: Still from 'The necessity of ruin' now on at Composite*

## What's on

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**End matter:**

## What is Collingwood Yards?

Collingwood Yards is managed by Contemporary Arts Precincts Ltd. We are a charitable social enterprise based in Naarm (Melbourne).

There is a crisis of affordable arts space in Australia and in Melbourne in particular. Most, if not all, of the not-for-profit tenants supported at Collingwood Yards have come under threat of having to relocate, to pay unaffordable rent or close if they are unable to secure an affordable base for their operations.

Occupying half a block in Collingwood, Collingwood Yards is a mixed-use site that layers studios, public spaces, hospitality venues and retail tenancies in diverse and evolving ways. It is home to close to 50 creative studios and anchored by a selection of design-centric retailers and cafes, bars and meeting spaces.

We believe that the importance of keeping a diverse range of artists and creative communities active in any city cannot be understated. The social benefits of arts participation is well documented and affordable space is a key part of this.

Collingwood Yards is both a transformational project for its neighbourhood and a proof of concept for our broader goal: to develop a new model of providing affordable and sustainable arts space in Australia.

**Read more**

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**Collingwood Yards acknowledges the traditional owners and sovereign custodians of the land on which Collingwood Yards is situated, the Wurundjeri people of the Woiwurrung language group. We extend our respects to their Ancestors and all First Peoples and Elders past, present, and future.**

**We celebrate that Collingwood has always been a place of great cultural significance to First Peoples, particularly artists and musicians, and acknowledge the vital role that these communities continue to play in the cultural life of Collingwood.**

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