

Acknowledgement of Country

Aboriginal people have made and continue to make a unique and irreplaceable contribution to the state of South Australia.

The South Australian Government acknowledges and respects Aboriginal people as the state's first people and nations, and recognises Aboriginal people as traditional owners and occupants of South Australian land and waters.

The South Australian Government acknowledges that the spiritual, social, cultural and economic practices of Aboriginal people come from their traditional lands and waters, and that Aboriginal people maintain cultural and heritage beliefs, languages and laws which are of ongoing importance today.

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Welcome to the monthly update which gives a regular overview of how the Aboriginal Art and Cultures Centre (AACC) project is progressing.

As a key stakeholder we are excited to update you on key milestones, news and progress as we work together to establish a place for the world to learn more about the unique cultures and stories of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

AACC Aboriginal Business Briefing

On 15 July 2021, we held an informal briefing session at Tandanya, exclusively for Aboriginal owned businesses to discuss the Aboriginal business and workforce participation opportunities with further sessions to be organised in the near future.

Topics covered on the day included:

- Lot Fourteen precinct overview,
- Project update and information on the various stages and timing,
- Outlining the various business opportunities during construction and post construction,
- Pre-qualification requirements,
- Strategies to support Aboriginal businesses better during the construction stages,
- Early talks about training and development opportunities, and
- Networking opportunities.

To see the full briefing go to:

<https://lotfourteen.com.au/resources>



AACC Aboriginal Business Briefing

Release of the AACC Aboriginal Economic Participation Strategy

The AACC Aboriginal Economic Participation Strategy outlines how the once-in-a-generation Aboriginal Art and Cultures Centre project has the opportunity to be an exemplar for creating opportunities for Aboriginal

economic participation through partnerships and collaboration.

Historically, Aboriginal people have been excluded from opportunities to share the nation's wealth.

In the contemporary era, the development of a robust and sustainable 'Aboriginal economy' is essential for realising self-determining futures, facilitating sustainable and independent communities, and closing the gap.

It is in this context that the Australian and South Australian Governments (along with other jurisdictions) have implemented policies and programs to encourage and support new Aboriginal businesses.

The AACC has an opportunity to assist in driving the change in social standards for Aboriginal people and communities of South Australia. There are opportunities for Aboriginal economic participation from both an employment and procurement perspective across all phases of the AACC project.

While the majority of initiatives can commence within the following twelve months, there are three distinct phases that the initiatives will impact. These are:

Pre-construction: opportunities are focussed on the architectural design and interior design of the AACC. This phase commenced in 2020 and there has been a focus on Aboriginal employment opportunities with the design lead contractor.

Approximate timeline - 2021

Construction opportunities for Aboriginal economic participation will be centred around the building of the AACC itself. This phase has direct employment and procurement targets through the Adelaide City Deal and a

significant portion of initiatives within the Strategy focus on achieving these targets through the development of the Aboriginal business sector to support the build and creating an Aboriginal talent pool to become part of the supply chain workforce.

Approximate timeline - 2022 to 2024

Ongoing operations: of the AACC will create long term sustainable opportunities for both Aboriginal employment within the centre and Aboriginal businesses either directly by supporting the operations or indirectly through tourism opportunities beyond the centre in Adelaide and regionally.

Approximate timeline - 2025 onwards

The full AACC Aboriginal Economic Participation Strategy can be found at: <https://lotfourteen.com.au/resources>

Design Update

Throughout July, the AACC design and Lot Fourteen project team have continued to engage with the Aboriginal Reference Group to gain ongoing feedback into the design.

Running parallel with the Aboriginal Reference Group design workshops the project has also been reviewed by Ms Kirsteen Mackay, SA Government Architect and a Design Review Panel that she chairs.

In the coming few weeks a planning application will be lodged for approval to build the project at Lot Fourteen. We look forward to sharing these concept plans with you as soon as we can.

If you have any questions or feedback you would like to give with regards to the AACC Project or anything in this Update, please direct them to aacc@sa.gov.au

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