

2nd June 2016

Full House for National Arts Election Debate

Final preparations are underway for next week's much anticipated ArtsPeak National Arts Election Debate in Melbourne.

June 8th 1.00pm – 2.30pm
The Wheeler Centre
176 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

The debate will bring the arts leaders of each of the three major parties together to share their big ideas and respond to the burning questions of industry leaders and commentators from right across the industry.

Patricia Karvelas (ABC and Sky news) will moderate a three cornered conversation between Arts Minister Senator Mitch Fifield, Shadow Arts Minister Mark Dreyfus and Greens Arts Spokesperson, Adam Bandt. Using a 'QandA style' format, industry spokespeople will raise topics and questions developed by a national organising group.

The debate is now fully booked out and will be streamed live from 12.45pm EST via the ArtsPeak website:

www.artspeak.net.au/debate

ArtsPeak spokesperson Nicole Beyer said:

"It is really exciting to have such a broad cross section of the arts industry coming together in one place and at one time. This election is of vital importance to the arts sector and everyone is very keen to hear what the three parties have to say". With the parties now starting to release their arts policies there is a lot to talk about".

Please note: Space at the Wheeler Centre is strictly limited. **Media representatives wishing to attend on the day should contact Nicole Beyer to arrange access - 0432 609 658** . Guests with tickets should arrive at 12.30pm. Doors will be closed from 12.50pm.

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Further information and comment – ArtsPeak co-convenors

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