

# A New Museum for WA



Western Australia's world-class new museum in the Perth Cultural Centre will showcase our State's unique culture, diverse population and extraordinary environment and biodiversity.

The Liberal-led Government's \$428.3 million project includes the new museum building, the refurbishment of existing heritage-listed museum buildings, and the completed purpose-built Harry Butler Research Centre in Welshpool.

First images of the bold design were released in July 2016 and Multiplex, with its international and Australian architecture team of OMA and HASSELL, have been awarded the design and construction contract.

## Fast Facts

- The WA Museum cares for the State's collection of more than eight million objects.
- The new museum will be almost four times bigger than the old museum.
- It will feature nearly 7,000 square metres of galleries, including a single 1,000sqm space to stage blockbuster exhibitions.
- There will also be education studios, viewing areas to see scientists and curators at work, and retail, food and beverage outlets.
- More than 800,000 people are expected to visit the new museum in its opening year.
- It is predicted that by 2020-21, 1.4 million visitors will attend WA Museum locations across the State.



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Environmental and geotechnical site investigations are now under way ahead of construction works due to start on the museum project early this year (2017).

The new museum is on schedule to open in 2020.

The project will support up to 3,300 jobs, with about 1,800 workers to be employed on-site during the construction phase.

Local content is a high priority, with Multiplex expecting to source about 80 per cent of the goods and services from WA.

## Our Commitment

A Liberal Government will deliver a state of the art new museum for all Western Australians.

After decades of discussion, this Government is actually delivering this project and demonstrating its ongoing commitment to providing dynamic cultural experiences for Western Australians and visitors to our State.

This is in stark contrast to WA Labor who, in the lead up to the 2013 State election, did not support the development of a new museum.



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