#### YEAR IN REVIEW 2005 ANNUAL REPORT





## ■ MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART ■

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Museum of Contemporary Art Photograph: Cameron Boom

The Museum of Contemporary Art is Australia's only contemporary art museum dedicated to collecting and exhibiting contemporary art and engaging in discussion and debate on contemporary visual cultural issues.

Situated in central Sydney at West Circular Quay, the entrance to Sydney's historic Rocks precinct, the MCA seeks to make contemporary art accessible for a broad spectrum of public audiences through a diverse range of exhibitions incorporating new and more traditional media, stimulating and hands-on educational programs and special events.

The Museum of Contemporary Art is assisted by the NSW Government through ARTS NSW and by the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body, and the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, State and Territory Governments. The MCA was established by the University of Sydney through the JW Power Bequest, with assistance from the New South Wales Government.









## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

2005 was a year in which we achieved a major milestone: the launch of a gallery space for the MCA's permanent collection for the very first time. The Museum has also begun to collect again, concentrating on Australian art. This focus on the collection consolidates the MCA's national position as the only museum dedicated to both collecting and exhibiting contemporary art. It's wonderful to see such goals reached and to see the MCA thriving in this way.

I would like to thank the NSW State Government and in particular, the NSW Ministry for the Arts for their ongoing support of the MCA. I would also like to acknowledge the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority, with whom we are working closely to improve all visitor facilities and access to the MCA building. The Museum also gratefully acknowledges the 'Key Organisation' grant funding that we receive from the Australian Federal Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body and also to the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts for their support of our national and regional touring projects through the allocation of a Visions of Australia touring grant.

I would also like to highlight the vital role MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra has played in revitalising the MCA over the past few years. Telstra's commitment to the MCA by sponsoring the removal of admission charges has demonstrated the wide appeal of contemporary art. I am particular delighted that 2005 saw another record year in terms of numbers, with over 380,000 visitors.

On behalf of the Museum I would like to thank my fellow Board members—Andrew Love, Partner, Ferrier Hodgson Chartered Accountants, Peter Ivany, Executive Chairman, Ivany Investment Group, Peter Steigrad, previously Chairman, Young & Rubicam; Lucy Turnbull, Turnbull and Partners, Carol Schwartz, General Manager Highpoint Property and Greg Woolley, LJCB Investment Group.

Welcome to three new Board members who joined the MCA during 2005: Mikala Dwyer, Artist; Matthew Cullen, Channel 7 and Catherine Harris, Executive Director, Harris Farm Markets.

Thank you to Terri Janke, Solicitor Director of Terri Janke & Company Pty Ltd for the contribution she made during her two year period on the Board. Terri took on the role of inaugural Chairman of the Indigenous Advisory Group which was established through her assistance in December 2003.



David Coe, MCA Chairman

## THE MUSEUM HAS ALSO BEGUN TO COLLECT AGAIN,

## CONCENTRATING ON AUSTRALIAN ART.

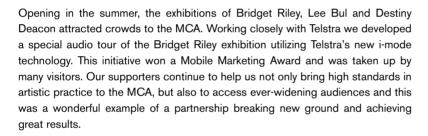
On behalf of the Board, my sincerest thanks go to the MCA staff, executives and volunteers for their continued dedication and commitment to the Museum. And of course to Director Elizabeth Ann Macgregor whose vision and leadership continues to take the museum to new heights, working in tandem with communities, artists and supporters.

David Coe Chairman

Museum of Contemporary Art

## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

2005 was a major year for the MCA. We presented work by some exceptional international artists, from Bridget Riley to Mona Hatoum and Kutlug Ataman. Our group shows such as *Situation* broke new ground and our events have captured some of the critical dialogues of contemporary art. We took great pleasure in celebrating the launch of our new Level 4 galleries, now a space dedicated to showing works from the MCA's permanent collection. And of course the relaunch of the collecting policy itself, which will focus on Australian art for the next few years, strengthening this core element of the museum. This was one of my key objectives in taking up the Directorship and I'm very pleased that the organisation is now in a position to forge ahead in this way.



During summer we also offered bilingual tours for international visitors which resulted in an increase in multicultural audiences. This continued throughout the year with various events and exhibitions including *Mona Hatoum: Over my dead body* which opened alongside *the unquiet landscapes of Rosemary Laing* in autumn. During this season Level 4 was closed to the public for renovations.

The first half of the year also met with critical acclaim. Sebastian Smee (The Australian) wrote "Bridget Riley is the subject of a marvellous exhibition at Sydney's MCA... Riley is a giant among contemporary artists. I can think of few more stimulating experiences than visiting this show." Anne Kirker (Eyeline magazine) wrote "Mona Hatoum is rightly placed in the top echelons of the visual arts today and it is a major coup that the exhibition *Mona Hatoum: Over my dead body* is shown in this country."

In winter we presented a unique exhibition that brought together artists from Sydney, Singapore and Berlin to show the ways in which artists work in these cities, outside the museum walls. *Situation* brought the visitor into the world of the artist, offering



Elizabeth Ann Macgregor, MCA Director

# DURING SUMMER WE ALSO OFFERED BILINGUAL TOURS FOR INTERNATIONAL VISITORS WHICH RESULTED IN AN INCREASE IN MULTI-CULTURAL AUDIENCES.

insights into contemporary practice such as video, artist books, installation and performance, but also into the relationships forged between artists. Alongside this the MCA presented a beautiful film-based exhibition of Kutlug Ataman, including a special off-site work *Kuba*, stationed in the Argyle Centre at The Rocks. Ataman's new film was premiered at the Sydney Film Festival.

In August the MCA opened its first space dedicated to the display of works from the permanent collection, after the southern end of Level 4 was renovated. The collection was moved off-site to a refurbished storage facility. This was a massive task for MCA preparatory and registration staff and it is a credit to them that this process went so smoothly. The launch of this new space and the relaunch of the collecting policy offered the opportunity for some international PR for the museum and we secured major coverage around these milestones.

At this time we piloted a new initiative, the film series "The Artist's Voice" which comprised interviews with artists on-site at the MCA, and was screened at the entrance to the exhibitions. From here we have begun to consider the broader possibilities offered by these films, and are now planning extended usage via the website.

In spring we celebrated *Primavera* with a focus on painting as well as the exhibition of mid-career artists, *Interesting Times*. The simultaneous showing of these two exhibitions brought to our attention the strong engagement with political ideas at work in the practices of young to mid-career Australian artists. This became a

highlight of the year, with both media and audiences taking note of this theme, and showing the power of artists to create, reflect and stimulate thinking about the complexities of life today.

The year ended with a strong summer season including the work of Erwin Wurm, Ed and Nancy Kienholz and Jacky Redgate. Redgate also curated a collection show to complement her own work, themed around 1967, the year of her own immigration to Australia and the year that the Power Collection began. Despite our expectations that Kienholz may stir some controversy, the exhibition instead attracted many new audiences drawn in by the direct nature of these works, and the humour of Erwin Wurm.

As in the first half of the year, the second half also attracted wide-spread positive media attention, now featuring in the international press as well as local and national.

Our corporate partnership continued to grow from strength to strength and this year we were proud to be finalists with Bimbadgen Estate Wines, in the annual ABAF awards. The 2005 wines featured works by *Primavera* artists and this tightened the link with the MCA's exhibition program—a great step forward.

Primavera received a lot of support this year and we extend a special thanks to our new sponsor—Deutsche Bank. Sharing a passion for supporting the creativity of young Australian artists, this was a partnership built on a very real common interest as Deutsche Bank relocated to their new building furnished with wonderful new collection of contemporary Australian art. The Sydney Morning Herald also supported the exhibition, working with us to include the "Young Writer of the Year" event. Primavera was also included in the City of Sydney "Art and About" project this year, as was the innovative Ricky Maynard project. As well as being included in Interesting Times, Ricky produced an additional body of work on massive billboards erected throughout Sydney. This was made possible by new funding through the Australia Council's "New Australian Stories" program and represents the MCA's interest in projects which extend beyond the walls of the museum.

Indigenous projects are gaining momentum not only through initiatives such as the Ricky Maynard project, but also through events such as *blakatak*. This was held over several months at the MCA, the result of intense planning by the Education department, MCA Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander Curator Keith Munro, and

Mona Hatoum Light Sentence 1992 wire mesh lockers, slow moving motorised light bulb 198 x 185 x 490 cm Mona Hatoum, Fonds national d'art contemporain, Ministère de la culture et de la communication, Paris, FNAC 94656 (1 à 39) © the artist



artist Brook Andrew. It is a challenge to create a space for the development of new ideas and dialogue without tying it to practical outcomes, and for this reason *blakatak* took the form of an experimental series. The events gave rise to some stimulating and often heated debate! This is an important focus for museum since the appointment of Keith Munro and we are working in approaching indigenous themes, interests and issues in ways that are sensitive and creative. The involvement of indigenous communities is integral and we are lucky to have the support and involvement of an increasing audience in this sector.

We have received support in various ways for exhibition during 2005 and I would like to express thanks to the following funding agencies:

The British Council for their assistance with the Mona Hatoum exhibition, The Goethe Institut Sydney, the National Arts Council Singapore and the Danish Arts Council Committee for International Visual Art for their contribution to *Situation*.

After the major achievements of 2005 I am excited by what is to come. My thanks go to the dedicated and hard-working staff, and to the Board, all of whom are a great support to the work of the MCA.

Elizabeth Ann Macgregor

Director

Museum of Contemporary Art

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Rosemary Laing
bulletproofglass #2 2002
type C photograph on
metallic photographic paper
120.0 x 253.0 cm
© the artist

Kutlug Ataman Stefan's Room 2004 (still). Five screen video installation with variable dimensions, approx 45 minutes, edition of 5. Courtesy of the artist and Lehmann Maupin Gallery, New York. © the artist



#### 2005 HIGHLIGHTS

- The launch of generationext, which is supported by the Balnaves Foundation. generationext is an MCA youth initiative connecting teenagers with contemporary art and artists. Organised by the MCA with a committee of young people, this program gives art-interested youth the opportunity to visit the Museum independently after-hours with four events per year. The first event was held in December 2005 with much positive feedback from those that attended.
- The MCA held major lectures by internationally renowned sculptor Antony Gormley; Artistic Director, 2007 Venice Biennale, Robert Storr; international artist, Mona Hatoum; and the Lloyd Rees Memorial Lecture by Michael Morris, Co-Director of Artangel and Andrew MacKenzie, art critic and Editor, Architectural Review.
- In August 2005, the MCA launched a new gallery space on Level 4 of the Museum—a space dedicated, for the first time, to its spectacular permanent collection. The collection includes more than 5,000 works acquired since the late 1960s through the JW Power Bequest. The inaugural exhibition New Acquisitions in Context showcased the various strengths of the collection, kinetic work, light works, and multiples or editioned art works.
- The MCA Bella Dinner, our annual fundraising dinner, raised \$150,000 for the MCA's education programs. It was held in October 2005 in the MCA's artdeco Foundation Hall, with the dinner crafted by guest chef, Christine Manfield. The Dinner was also attended by guest of honour, Senator the Honorable Helen Coonan, Minister for Communications, Information Technology, and the Arts.
- As part of Kutlug Ataman's exhibition during the Winter season, we had a special
  off-site video installation, Küba at the Argyle Stores as part of his MCA Sydney
  survey exhibition. This powerful work features interviews with forty residents of
  the Istanbul shanty-town known as Küba.
- The MCA and Telstra were winners of the 'One to Watch' award at the Australian Direct Marketing Association, Mobile Marketing and Advertising Awards.



Guests on the opening night of New Acquisitions in Context.

- Singaporean artist performances around Sydney—as part of the exhibition, Situation: Collaborations, collectives & artist networks from Sydney, Singapore & Berlin
- The MCA and Bimbadgen Estate Wines were Finalists in the Sensis Small Business category of the 2005 Australian Business Arts Foundation Partnership Awards.

#### 2005 EXHIBITIONS

Mona Hatoum: Over My Dead Body

23 March-29 May 2005

MCA Curator: Elizabeth Ann Macgregor

144-page colour catalogue

Free admission to Mona Hatoum: Over My Dead Body

thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

the unquiet landscapes of Rosemary Laing

23 March-5 June 2005

MCA Curator: Vivienne Webb 80-page colour visitor guide Supported by The Australian Free admission to *the unquiet landscapes of Rosemary Laing* thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

Situation: Collaborations, collectives & artist networks from Sydney, Singapore & Berlin

6 June-21 August 2005

MCA Curator: Russell Storer 127-page colour catalogue

Supported by Saville Hotel Group, Goethe-Institut Sydney, National Arts Council

Singapore and Kunst Danish Arts Council

Free admission to Situation: Collaborations, collectives & artist networks from Sydney, Singapore & Berlin thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

Kutlug Ataman: Perfect Strangers

22 June-4 August 2005

MCA Senior Curator: Rachel Kent

80-page colour catalogue

Free admission to Kutlug Ataman: Perfect Strangers thanks

to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

Madeleine Kelly, Pathfinder Closing 2005 oil on canvas, 240 x 188 cm Courtesy of the artist and Bellas Milani Gallery, Brisbane. © the artist





Exhibition installation view Primavera 2005
Jemima Wyman
Scapeology 2005
Courtesy the artist and
Bellas Milani Gallery,
Brisbane. © the artist
Photograph: Ben Simons

#### MCA Collection: New Acquisitions in Context

19 August-6 November 2005

MCA Curator: Vivienne Webb 44-page colour catalogue

Free admission to MCA Collection: New Acquisitions in Context

thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

#### Primavera 2005: Exhibition by young Australian artists

7 September-13 November 2005

Guest Curator: Felicity Fenner

MCA curatorial liaison: Vivienne Webb

64-page colour catalogue

9 artists

Major Sponsor Deutsche Bank

Supported by The Sydney Morning Herald

Free admission to Primavera 2005: Exhibition by young Australian artists

thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

The Primavera exhibition was founded through the generous benefaction of Dr Edward and Mrs Cynthia Jackson, and the Jackson family, in memory of their late daughter Belinda.



Richard Woldendorp Lake Dumbleyung, Western Australia 2005 inkjet print 100 x 140 cm Courtesy of the artist and Boutwell Draper Gallery, Sydney. © the artist

#### Interesting Times: Focus on contemporary Australian art

22 September-27 November 2005

MCA Curator: Russell Storer 167-page colour catalogue

Free admission to Interesting Times: Focus on contemporary Australian art

thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

#### Erwin Wurm: Glue your brain

28 November 2005-12 February 2006

Guest Curator: Antonella Soldaini 6-page colour visitor guide

Presented in association with Sydney Festival 2006 Free admission to *Erwin Wurm: Glue your brain* thanks

to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

#### Kienholz

16 December 2005-26 February 2006

MCA Curator: Judith Blackall 6-page colour visitor guide

Free admission to Kienholz thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

Jacky Redgate: Life of the System 1980-2005

28 November 2005-12 February 2006

MCA Curator: Russell Storer 6-page colour visitors guide

Free admission to Jacky Redgate: Life of the System 1980-2005

thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

1967: Selected works from the MCA Collection

28 November 2005-23 April 2006

Guest Curator: Jacky Redgate MCA curatorial liaison: Russell Storer

6-page colour visitor guide

Free admission to 1967: Selected works from the MCA Collection

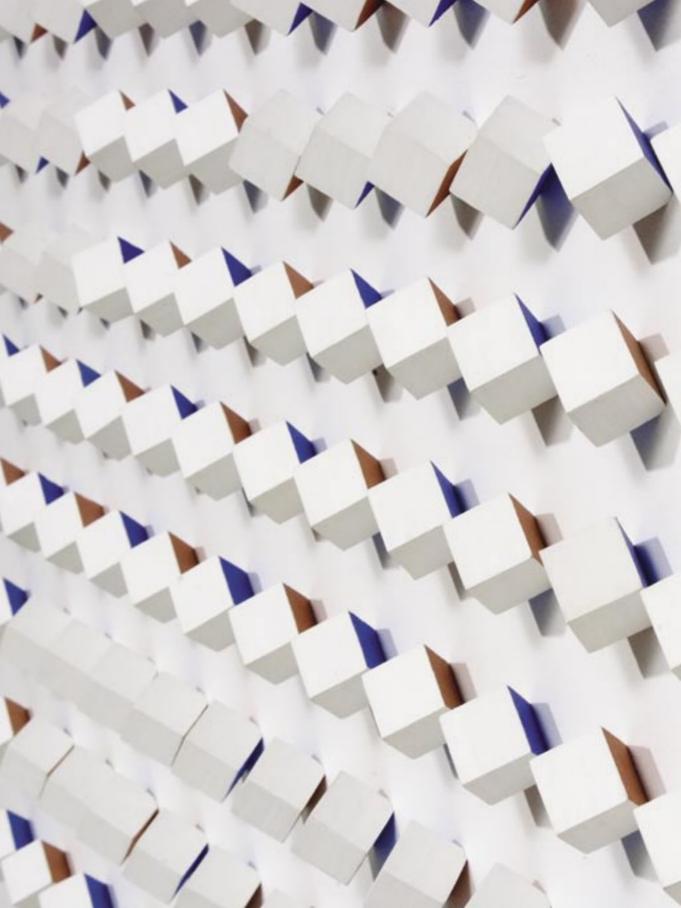
thanks to MCA Leading Sponsor Telstra.

Luis Tomasello

Atmosphere chromoplastique
no. 154 1967 (detail)
synthetic polymer paint
on wood
90.5 x 90.5 x 9 cm

Museum of Contemporary Art,
JW Power Bequest,
purchased 1967
© the artist

Photograph: Jenni Carter



## TOURING EXHIBITIONS

#### MCA Unpacked II

Grafton Regional Art Gallery, Grafton, New South Wales 2 March-10 April 2005

Caloundra Regional Gallery, Caloundra, Queensland 4 May-26 June 2005

University of the Sunshine Coast Gallery, Maroochydore, Queensland 4 May-26 June 2005

Burnie Regional Art Gallery, Burnie, Tasmania 15 August-25 September 2005



This exhibition is assisted by Visions of Australia, a Commonwealth Government Program providing funding support to tour exhibitions of cultural material across Australia.

#### Wild Thang! Post-pop from the Museum of Contemporary Art

New England Regional Art Gallery, New South Wales 20 May-17 July 2005

Gold Coast City Art Gallery, Queensland
22 October–4 December 2005
A Bathurst Regional Art Gallery project in partnership with the Museum of Contemporary Art.

#### Destiny Deacon: walk and don't look blak

Adam Art Gallery, University of Wellington, Wellington New Zealand 22 February-1 May 2005

Tjiabou Cultural Centre, Noumea, New Caledonia 1 June-28 August 2005



Destiny Deacon
Me and Virginia's doll
(Me and Carol) 1997/2004,
light jet print from Polaroid,
100.0 x 80.0 cm.
Image courtesy of the
artist and Roslyn Oxley9
Gallery, Sydney

Badu | Nadjung | Guung, Aboriginal works from the MCA Collection

Hastings Regional Gallery, Port Macquarie, New South Wales

9 November-11 December 2005

In partnership with Port Macquarie Hastings Regional Gallery.

#### **EDUCATION**

MCA Education's vision is to engage new and existing audiences with contemporary art, ideas and visual culture in meaningful ways through life-long learning experiences. The Department is committed to programming that acknowledges diverse communication and learning styles and is increasingly shifting into different modes of delivery, partnerships and funding relationships.

In 2005 there were 45 lectures and talks, 13 performances, 6 events for teachers and educators, and 16 youth workshops. 5,287 people participated in the Museum's public programs and 17,853 students participated in programs catering for booked groups. 793 students participated in the MCA's Bella program—the pioneering art education program for children and young adults with specific needs. Made possible through the benefaction of the Jackson Family, Bella workshops are about overcoming educational disadvantage as well as fostering skills which can be applied throughout life.

3,236 people took the free, daily guided tours provided by the Museum's Volunteer Guides who regularly attended exhibition walkthroughs and undertook workshops in which they developed their tours.

Keynote lectures were presented by Turner Prize-winning ceramicist Grayson Perry (17 February); exhibiting artist Mona Hatoum (23 March); Michael Morris, Co-Director of Artangel, and Andrew MacKenzie, art critic and Editor, *Architectural Review* who presented the Lloyd Rees Memorial Lecture in association with the NSW Ministry for the Arts (19 July); Robert Storr, Artistic Director of the 2007 *Venice Biennale* (26 July); and artist Antony Gormley (4 November).

Artists are at the heart of educational programming at the MCA. The Situation: Collaborations, Collectives and Artist Networks from Sydney, Singapore and Berlin public programs were developed and delivered through particularly close working relationships with the 17 artists who were in Sydney. In a first for the Museum, the artists opened up their installations processes to the public during an installation preview (6-14 June).

During 2005 the MCA's commitment to Indigenous audiences deepened through the presentation of *blakatak*, a discussion series challenging dominant ideas within Aboriginal art and culture. It was devised closely with a broad group of Indigenous arts workers and academics, and presented with support from the Australia Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board.

Generationext Launch Party



Generous funding was secured from The Balnaves Foundation to launch *generationext*, a program of art appreciation events connecting teenagers with contemporary art and artists, led by a Youth Committee. A highly successful launch party focusing on the *Erwin Wurm: Glue your Brain* exhibition attracted young people from over forty schools across Sydney (11 December).

The MCA moved from co-presenting programs with other organisations to partner-ships in which programs were devised with longer lead times and in consultation with community leaders and advocates. Events such as the <code>dis/place-making work in exile</code> (7 May) and <code>Distance and Intimacy</code> (14 May) forums held in association with Mona Hatoum's exhibition attracted larger and more diverse audiences than previously. The MCA and partners Campbelltown Regional Gallery and Auburn-based organisation ICE (Information & Cultural Exchange) also launched a unique, jointly devised two-year professional development program for newly arrived artists.

The MCA's ongoing partnership with The Smith Family and law firm Mallesons Stephen Jaques to deliver bi-annual Bella art education workshops for youth-at-risk was strengthened by the addition of the University of Sydney. Other partnerships included cross-promotion with Sydney Film Festival which led to the Festival screening Kutlug Ataman's new film 2 Girls and which attracted audiences from the film world and with a Turkish heritage to the MCA's conversation event between the artist and exhibition curator Rachel Kent (3 July). Performances developed by Australian Theatre for Young People over five days for National Youth Week in the unquiet landscapes of Rosemary Laing secured capacity audiences (12-16 April).

Guests at the opening of *Kutlug Ataman:*Perfect Strangers

2005 was also notable for the introduction of bilingual programming. Bi-lingual tours of *Lee Bul* and *Mona Hatoum* were successfully promoted to appropriate community groups, language schools and cultural organisations.

The MCA hosted Kirsten Jeffcoat, Public Programs Officer at Goulburn Regional Art Gallery, who undertook a mentorship with Justine McLisky, Youth and Outreach Programs Coordinator, funded through Museums and Galleries NSW. Throughout the year, work experience students, interns and volunteers from Sydney, interstate and overseas were placed across the Museum for terms ranging from one week to six months.

## ARTISTS ARE AT THE HEART OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING AT THE MCA.



#### VOLUNTEERS 2005

#### **Volunteer Museum Guides**

Margo Anderson William Levantrosser
Annie Armstrong Valerie Marshall
Kay Berryman Jan McDonald
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#### **Work Experience Placements**

Rebecca Smith - Frensham, Mittagong

Ashley Solomon - Lake Munmorah High School, Lake Munmorah Matthew Coates - Lake Munmorah High School, Lake Munmorah

Jessie Wang - North Sydney Girls High, Crows Nest

Isobel Philip - SCEGGS, Darlinghurst

Lucy Rheinberger - Chevalier College, Burradoo Mitchell Tolman - Moss Vale High School, Moss Vale Blake Robinson - Randwick Boys High, Randwick Jane Anderson - Chevalier College, Burradoo



Guests at the opening of Situation: Collaborations, collectives & artist networks from Sydney, Singapore & Berlin

#### **Library Volunteers 2005**

Sue Anderson Edd Ashmore Peggy Maguire Marie Marlow Meg Taylor Rita Todrin Deborah Turnbull

#### Internships 2005

Robina Booth
Emma Collerton
Joanne Emmons
Beatrice Hunt
Cathrine Kramer
Manfred Lai
Peter Lin
Nadia Maljkovic
Gemma O'Brien
Arnel Rodriguez
Elise Routledge
Deborah Turnbull

#### MCA SUPPORTERS 2005

#### MCA Ambassadors 2005

The MCA Ambassadors program, founded in 2000, recognises philanthropic donors for their support of the Museum and its exhibition and education programs.

#### **Visionaries**

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Belinda Yabsley & Tony Goldsack

Vera Yakimenko Brian Zulaikha Anonymous (3)

As at 31st December 2005

#### **Director's Working Circle 2005**

The MCA Director's Working Circle is a group committed to and proud, of the dynamic place that is the MCA. It is a group that is active in its support of meeting the Museums' objectives and purpose to broaden the reach of the MCA in order to increase involvement in the MCA experience.

#### 2005 Members

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#### **Artist Advisory Group**

The Artist Advisory Group was established in 2001 to develop the MCA's relationship with artists by providing a regular forum for an exchange of views and information in relation to the Museum and the wider arts community in Sydney, regional NSW and interstate. The aim of the group is to ensure the representation of the views of members of the artistic community on matters pertaining to the Museum and its programs, to give the MCA feedback on its exhibitions, public and education programs, to bring to the MCA's attention issues of concern to artists and to advise the MCA on ways in which it can be of service to Australian artists.

#### 2005 Members

Brent Grayburn
Bronwyn Bancroft
Justene Williams
Ken Unsworth
Laurens Tan
Mikala Dwyer
Claire Firth-Smith

#### **Indigenous Advisory Group**

The MCA Indigenous Advisory Group was set up in 2003 with the aim of advising the MCA on ways to reflect the needs and interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and audiences in all areas of the MCA's program.

#### 2005 Members

Avril Quaill
Allen Madden
Djon Mundine
Joanne Brown
Matthew Poll
Larissa Behrendt

#### CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP 2005



Edward and Nancy Reddin Kienholz The Hoerengracht (detail) 1983-88 tableau Collection of the artist Courtesy L.A. Louver Gallery, Venice, California

Corporate partnerships are fundamental to the sustainable development of the MCA and its programs. MCA sponsor companies have chosen to partner with the MCA to develop mutually beneficial strategic alliances. Corporations such as Leading Sponsor Telstra continue to assist the MCA in achieving one of its key strategic objectives to provide wider access to contemporary art through their support of the MCA's free admission policy.

The MCA Corporate Membership program continues to deliver an annual program of unique benefits from exclusive networking and entertaining opportunities, complimentary passes to MCA ticketed exhibitions and special events, and 'can't buy' MCA experiences to involve Corporate Members' staff and clients in the life of the Museum.

The MCA greatly values the many companies in its sponsor family for their ongoing support of the Museum and of contemporary visual art, contemporary artists and contemporary ideas.

#### **Sponsors**

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#### VISITOR STATISTICS

#### MCA Visitor Statistics 2003 - 2005

Installation view: Kienholz exhibition.

TOTAL MCA AUDIENCE	461,464	455,130	530,959
Touring Exhibitions**	64,159	51,189	32,330
MCA Café	42,744	44,000	55,133
Commercial Functions	34,305	38,516	41,661
After hours events/programs	7,076	3,148	2,607
Gallery/Exhibition Visitors	313,180	318,277	399, 228
	2003	2004	2005

<sup>\*</sup> new electronic traffic counter system introduced June 2005

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2003

National touring program – 20,211 visitors • International touring program – 43,948 visitors 2004

National touring program - 27,903 • International touring program - 23,286

National touring program - 17,713 • International touring program - 14,617



# MCA PURCHASES AND GIFTS

The following is a list of purchases/gifts of works that are now part of the MCA collection. In 2005, 15 works were purchased and 7 artworks were gifted to the MCA.

Destiny Deacon, *Adoption*, 1993-2000 light jet print from Polaroid, framed Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Destiny Deacon, *Axed*, 1994-2003 light jet print from Polaroid, framed Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Adam Cullen, *Blanket Men*, 2004 acrylic and enamel on canvas Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Rosemary Laing, *Brumby mound #5*, 2003 c type photograph

Museum of Contemporary Art, gift of Galerie Lelong and anonymous donor, 2005

Rosemary Laing, *Brumby mound* #6, 2003 c type photograph Museum of Contemporary Art, gift of Greg Woolley, 2005

Noel McKenna, *Country Rail Network of Australia*, 2005 acrylic and enamel on canvas

Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Pat Brassington, *Crush*, 2005 pigment print Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Micky Dorrng, *Djirrdidi (Kingfisher body design)*, 2000 synthetic polymer paint on canvas

Museum of Contemporary Art,gift of Djon Mundine, 2005

Destiny Deacon, *Forced into images*, 2001 super 8 transferred to digital video Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Robert Owen, *Hiatus*, 1981 photograph on linen on wood, talcum powder, lead, granite rock Museum of Contermporary Art, gift of the artist, 2005

Tony Schwensen, *Jenny Cracked Corn and I Don't Care*, 2003 shelving unit, composition board, fibreglass, pump, water Museum of Contemporary Art, gift of the artist, 2005

Hossein Valamanesh, *The Lover Circles His Own Heart*, 1993 silk, electric motor, foam, brass rod, stainless steel cable, wood Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased with the assistance of Gene and Brian Sherman, Reg and Sally Richardson and the artist, 2004

Destiny Deacon, *Meloncholy*, 2000 light jet print from Polaroid, framed Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Pat Brassington, *Rocket*, 2005 pigment print Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Robert Owen, *Sunrise* #3, 2005 acrylic on wall Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Pat Brassington, *Topography in Pink*, 2005 pigment print Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Peter Kennedy, *Untitled (Drawing for Neon Light Installations)*, 1970 Acrylic on paper, orginal aluminium frame and chipboard Museum of Contemporary Art, gift of Irene Sutton 2005 Peter Kennedy, *Untitled (Drawing for Neon Light Installations)*, 1970 acrylic on paper, orginal aluminium frame and chipboard Museum of Contemporary Art, gift of Irene Sutton 2005

Installation view at *Primavera* 2005 featuring work by Monika Behrens

Jurek Wybraniec, *Untitled (Target)*, 1996 oil on pegboard, acrylic (67 small panels) Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Pat Brassington, *The Wedding Guest*, 2005 pigment print Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Destiny Deacon, Where's Mickey?, 2002 light jet print from Polaroid, framed Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005

Destiny Deacon, *Whitey's Watching*, 1994-2003 light jet print from Polaroid, framed Museum of Contemporary Art, purchased 2005



## OUTWARD LOANS 2005

The following details outward loans from the MCA Collection both nationally and internationally. In 2005, 12 works in total were sent on loan to 1 international and 11 Australian venues.

## Ian Potter Museum of Art, The University of Melbourne:

## The difference between you and me

18 July 2005–16 November 2005 Georg Baselitz Der Dichter (The poet)

### Institute of Modern Art Ltd: Tracey Moffatt Adventure Series

9 March 2005-25 May 2005 Institute of Modern Art Ltd;

Opening: 17 March 2005; Closing: 25 April 2005

Tracey Moffatt

Adventure Series

#### Monash University Museum of Art: Pitch Your Own Tent: Art Projects

15 June 2005–21 September 2005 Jenny Watson *Dream Palette* 

#### Museum of Modern Art at Heide:

#### The Plot Thickens: narratives in Australian art

1 July 2004-1 June 2005

Tour venue:

Ballarat Fine Art Gallery;

15 February 2005 - 01 May 2005

John Mawurndjul

Ancestral spirit beings collecting honey

#### **Museum Tinguely:**

## rarrk - John Mawurndjul: Journey in Northern Australia

1 August 2005-15 March 2006

2 John Mawurndjul works:

Ancestral spirit beings collecting honey

Nawarramulmul (Shooting star spirit)

### **Tarra Warra Museum of Art:**

## Orient/Occident: John Young, a survey of works 1978 -2005

16 October 2005–14 June 2006 John Young; *The Second Mirage*,

John Young; Socialite realism, no 3 (filigree)

## **National Gallery of Australia:**

## No ordinary place: the art of David Malangi

8 December 2004-4 July 2006

Tour Venues:

Flinders University Art Museum;

02 August 2005 - 02 October 2005

Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory;

12 November 2005 - 08 January 2006

Queensland Art Gallery;

23 April 2005 - 17 July 2005

David Malangi (Daymirringu); Ngarrawu (Mangrove jack), David Malangi (Daymirringu); Gupupuynggu mortuary rites David Malangi (Daymirringu); Bininymirr (Mangrove goanna) David Malangi (Daymirringu); Raga (White berry bush)

# MCA BOARD 2005

#### Chairman of the MCA Board

David Coe, Managing Director, Allco Finance Group

## **Board Members**

Andrew Love, Partner, Ferrier Hodgson
Peter Ivany, Executive Chairman, Ivany Investments
Peter Steigrad, Former Chairman, Young & Rubicam
Greg Woolley, Chief Executive Officer, LJCB Investment Group
Lucy Turnbull, Director, Turnbull & Partners
Carol Schwartz, Director, Highpoint Property Group
Mikala Dwyer, Artist
Matthew Cullen, Office of the Chairman, Seven Network Limited
Cathy Harris, Executive Director, Harris Farm Markets Pty Ltd
John Cox (Company Secretary), Partner, Eakin McCaffery Cox

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2005

Museum of Contemporary Art Limited ACN 003 765 517 ABN 15 003 765 517 A company limited by guarantee 140 George Street Sydney NSW 2000 Australia

Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2005

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2005

## Directors' report For the year ended 31 December 2005

Your directors present their report on the Company for the year ended 31 December 2005.

#### **Directors**

The following persons were directors of the Company during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report:

David Coe

Andrew Love

Peter Steigrad

Greg Woolley

Lucy Turnbull

Peter Ivany

Carol Schwartz

Mikala Dwyer

Matthew Cullen

Cathy Harris

The following persons were appointed directors and continue in office at the date of this report:

Mikala Dwyer (appointed on 17 May 2005)
Matthew Cullen (appointed on 16 August 2005)
Cathy Harris (appointed on 16 August 2005)

Terri Janke was a director from the beginning of the financial year until her resignation on 16 August 2005.

## Meetings of directors

The numbers of meetings of the Company's board of directors and of each board committee held during the year ended 31 December 2005, and the numbers of meetings attended by each director were:

	Board Meeting (*)		Sub Commi	ttee Meeting (*)	
	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	
David Coe	5	5	3	2	
Andrew Love	5	4	3	2	
Peter Steigrad	5	4	3	0	
Greg Woolley	5	2	3	3	
Lucy Turnbull	5	3	3	1	
Peter Ivany	5	4	3	3	
Carol Schwartz	5	3	3	2	
Terri Janke	2	1	(**)	(**)	
Mikala Dwyer	4	1	(**)	(**)	
Matthew Cullen	3	2	1	1	
Cathy Harris	3	3	1	1	

<sup>(\*) =</sup> Note: There are five official Board meetings during the year. Board members were divided into two sub committees to focus on individual giving and sponsorship. Each sub committee had three meetings during the year.

#### Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company was the operation of a Museum of Contemporary Art.

After providing \$nil for income tax, operations for the year ended 31 December 2005, resulted in a surplus of \$178,092 [2004: surplus of \$422,679]

#### Dividends

The Company is a Company limited by guarantee and is restricted from declaring any dividends.

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

During the year ended 31 December 2005, there was no significant change in the state of affairs of the Company.

#### Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

There has not been any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial year (refer to subsequent events note 21 in the financial report), that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company in subsequent years.

No director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the Company, controlled entity or a related body corporate with the director, a firm of which the director is a member or an entity in which the director has a substantial financial interest.

<sup>(\*\*) =</sup> Not a member of the relevant sub committee

#### **Environmental regulation**

There are no significant environmental regulations which affect the Company's operations.

#### Insurance of officers

During the financial year, the company paid a premium of \$13,000 to insure the directors, secretary and senior officers of the company.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings that may be brought against the officers in their capacity as officers of the company, and any other payments arising from liabilities incurred by the officers in connection with such proceedings, other than where such liabilities arise out of conduct involving a wilful breach of duty by the officers or the improper use by the officers of their position or of information to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the company. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

#### Proceedings on behalf of the company

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001 for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the company with leave of the Court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001.

#### Likely developments and expected results of operations

Information on likely developments in the company's operations and the expected results of operations have not been included in this report because the directors believe it would be likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the company.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

D COE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Sydney 12 April 2006

A LOVE

CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

# Income Statement For the year ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
Revenue	2	9,875,954	10,013,734
Other income	3	8,552	-
Expenses			
Depreciation & Amortisation expenses	4	(414,416)	(346,655)
Employee benefits expense		(4,088,757)	(3,922,924)
Purchase of inventories for resale		(546,154)	(658,893)
Changes in inventories		25,063	44,743
Exhibition costs		(1,765,426)	(1,453,885)
Advertising		(213,953)	(204,165)
Cleaning		(192,533)	(188,249)
Contractors & Artist fees		(58,315)	(115,897)
Insurance		(176,834)	(193,302)
Electricity		(244,932)	(272,974)
Marketing & Promotion		(204,174)	(214,652)
Repairs and Maintenance		(275,864)	(323,088)
Security		(292,046)	(314,161)
Telephone		(113,989)	(73,863)
Travel Local & Overseas		(157,116)	(143,476)
Printing & Stationery		(66,743)	(76,467)
Signage & Display		(62,355)	(69,341)
Storage Rental		(65,365)	(70,368)
Computer Maintenance & Consumables		(96,778)	(96,941)
Carrying value of disposed fixed assets		(24,447)	-
Other expenses		(671,280)	(896,497)
Profit before income tax expense	4	178,092	422,679
Income tax expense		-	-
Net profit		178,092	422,679
Revenue, expenses and valuation adjustment recognised directly in equity	ts	-	-
Total changes in equity other than those	_		
from transactions with owners as owne	rs	178,092	422,679

The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Balance Sheet As at 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
Current assets		*	•
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,712,371	4,075,192
Receivables	8	417,541	116,541
Inventories	9	357,247	332,184
Prepayments	10	12,185	20,580
Total current assets		4,499,344	4,544,497
Non-current assets			
Plant and equipment	11	13,509,051	13,210,705
Total non-current assets		13,509,051	13,210,705
Total assets		18,008,395	17,755,202
Current liabilities			
Payables	12	1,159,290	1,265,145
Provisions	13	298,278	251,027
Income in Advance	14	1,620,700	1,486,995
Total current liabilities		3,078,268	3,003,167
Net assets		14,930,127	14,752,035
Equity			
Retained Profits	15	14,930,127	14,752,035
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		14,930,127	14,752,035
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The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statement of Changes in Equity For the year ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		14,752,035	14,329,356
Profit for the year	15	178,092	422,679
Total equity at the end of the financia	year	14,930,127	14,752,035

## Cash Flow Statement For the year ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
		Inflows/(Outflows)	Inflows/(Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts from customers			
(inclusive of goods and services tax) Payments to suppliers and employees		10,272,863	10,718,954
(inclusive of goods and services tax)		(10,219,620)	(9,983,454)
Interest received		215,687	149,829
Net cash inflow from operating activities	26	268,930	885,329
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(664,751)	(760,852)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		33,000	-
Net cash (outflow) from investing activitie	s	(631,751)	(760,852)
Net increase in cash held		(362,821)	124,477
Cash at beginning of the financial year	7	4,075,192	3,950,715
Cash at the end of the financial year	7	3,712,371	4,075,192

The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Notes to and forming part of the accounts For the year ended 31 December 2005

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the year presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### (A) BASIS OF PREPARATION

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRSs), other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views and the Corporations Act 2001.

#### Statement of Compliance

Australian Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards. Compliance with AIFRSs ensures that the financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

Application of AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

These financial statements are the first Museum of Contemporary Art Limited (MCA) financial statements to be prepared in accordance with AIFRSs. AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards has been applied in preparing these financial statements.

Financial statements of MCA until 31 December 2004 had been prepared in accordance with previous Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP). AGAAP differs in certain respects from AIFRS. When preparing MCA 2005 financial statements, management has amended certain accounting and valuation methods applied in the AGAAP financial statements to comply with AIFRS. With the exception of financial instruments, the comparative figures in respect of 2005 were restated to reflect these adjustments. The company has taken the exemption available under AASB 1 to only apply AASB 132 and AASB 139 from 1 January 2005.

Reconciliations and descriptions of the effect of transition from previous AGAAP to AIFRSs on the company's equity and its net income are given in note 27.

## Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with AIFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 27.

#### (B) FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Company's operations are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement.

Translation differences on non-monetary items are reported as part of the fair value gain or loss.

#### (C) REVENUE RECOGNITION

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Amounts disclosed as revenue are net of returns, trade allowances and duties and taxes paid. Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

#### (i) Trading revenue

Income from sale of goods in the store is recognised upon delivery of goods.

#### (ii) Grants and donations

Grants and donations received are recognised as revenue when MCA obtains control of the grants and donations or the right to receive the grants and donations.

## (iii) Sponsorship income

Income received from sponsors for Corporate Membership is recognise when MCA obtains control of the sponsorship or the right to receive the sponsorship. Whilst income from Corporate Sponsorship is amortised over the life of sponsorship.

#### (iv) Function Room Hire

Function Room Hire income are recognised when services are rendered.

#### (v) Rental Income

Rental income is recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### (D) EXHIBITION INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The Company, as part of its activities, organises exhibitions and other projects of contemporary works, both from Australia and overseas. Such exhibitions and other projects may incur costs and expenses in years prior to them being held. In addition, the Company seeks sponsorships and grants to offset those expenses and these may also be received prior to the exhibition or other project.

#### (E) IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS

Assets that have an definite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash generating units).

#### (F) EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS

#### (i) Wages, salaries and annual leave

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and annual leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in other creditors in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

#### (ii) Long Service Leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

#### (G) DEPRECIATION & AMORTISATION

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost of each depreciable non-current asset over its expected useful life.

The expected useful lives are as follows:

Plant and Equipment 3 - 5 Years
Motor Vehicles 5 Years
Books and Publications 5 Years
Furniture and Fittings 2 - 9 Years
Computer Equipment 3 - 5 Years
Works of Art Refer 1 (I)

Amortisation of the leasehold improvements is calculated on the straight line basis so as to write off the net cost over the remainder of the lease term ending in 2039.

#### (H) LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS

The MCA entered into an agreement to lease with Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority for a term of thirty seven years from 1 January 2002 to 15 March 2039. The expenditure on Leasehold Improvements has been recognised as an asset of the Company. Leasehold Improvements are amortised over the remaining period of the lease.

The MCA entered into an agreement to lease storage facilities with Ministry for the Arts for a term of ten years from 1 August 2003 to 31 July 2013. The expenditure on Leasehold Improvements has been recognised as an asset of the Company. Leasehold Improvements are amortised over the remaining period of the lease.

#### (I) WORKS OF ART

The Company acquires and is gifted art from time to time. Such works when acquired are capitalised at their acquisition cost. Works of Art gifted to the Museum have been recognised at fair value at the time of the gift. Expenses relating to the acquisition, including freight and packaging where applicable, are written off in the year in which they are incurred.

The Company also, from time to time, holds on trust, works of art belonging to various other bodies. These works are not reflected within the financial statements of the Company.

## (J) BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

Books and Publications acquired for the Library are capitalised at their acquisition cost. Books and Publications gifted to the Museum are brought to account if of value. The books and publications are depreciated in accordance with (B) above.

#### (K) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (L) INVENTORIES

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

#### (M) RECEIVABLES

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, less provision for doubtful debts. Trade receivables are due for settlement no more than 30 days from the date of recognition.

Collectibility of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. A provision for doubtful receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of receivables. The amount of the provision is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the effective interest rate. The amount of the provision is recognised in the income statement.

#### (N) TRADE AND OTHER CREDITORS

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Company prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

### (O) BORROWINGS

The MCA has no outstanding loans to any parties for the 2005 financial year.

### (P) J W POWER BEQUEST AND THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

The MCA entered in the management agreement with the University of Sydney on 31 December 2001 in which the University appoints the Museum as manager of the Collection. At that time the University also waived all outstanding loans and interest owed by the Museum to the Bequest in return for an on-going agreement to provide Services to the Collection. The value of those works is not reflected in the financial statements.

## 2. REVENUE

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
Revenue		т	•
Trading Revenue	23	857,287	1,044,750
Other Revenue:			
Membership Income		22,318	32,396
Grants:			
Ministry for the Arts NSW - Operations	22	2,705,000	2,751,636
Australia Council grants	22	620,750	250,000
Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority grant	22	300,000	300,000
Storage Relocation grant		-	454,545
Other	22	32,002	12,000
Sponsorship		443,796	542,284
Donations		726,261	564,695
Education Income		51,472	90,652
Entrance Fees		2,682	78,659
Function Room Hire		1,353,422	1,232,790
Fundraising Events		182,675	128,160
Rent Received		2,167,226	2,116,012
Other		92,517	88,444
		9,557,408	9,687,023
Revenue from outside the operating act	vities		
Interest Received		215,687	149,829
Acquisition Fund		30,400	-
Gifts of Work to the Collection		72,459	176,882
		318,546	326,711
Revenue from ordinary activities		9,875,954	10,013,734
3. OTHER INCOME			
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		8,552	-

#### 4. PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Profit from ordinary activities before income tax expense includes the following specific net gains and expenses:

Note	es 2005 \$	2004 \$
Net gains		
Net gain on disposal of Property, plant and equipmer	nt 8,552	-
Expenses		
Cost of sales of goods	521,091	614,151
Depreciation		
Plant & Equipment	89,180	66,684
Books & Publications	-	192
Furniture & Fittings	53,766	54,524
Computer Equipment	31,555	35,232
Motor Vehicle	9,756	11,600
Total depreciation	184,257	168,232
Amortisation		
Leasehold improvements	230,159	178,423
Other provisions		
Employee entitlements	47,251	66,054
Stock write-down and obsolescence	(4,742)	(26,685)
Doubtful Debt	-	(10,566)
Total other provisions	42,509	28,803
5. AUDITORS REMUNERATION		
Remuneration for audit of the financial report of the co	company 28,000	27,000
Other Assurance Services	1,300	1,300
Total Auditors Remuneration	29,300	28,300

#### 6. INCOME TAX

The Company has been granted an exemption from paying income tax under section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1997).

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
7. CURRENT ASSETS - CASH AND CASH	I EQUIVALE	NTS	
Cash on hand Cash at bank:		2,000	2,600
Cheque account - Operation		617,981	204,477
Cheque account - Donation		30,633	111,334
Cash Management Fund and Term Deposit		3,002,254	3,708,861
Capital Appeal Fund Account		42,734	41,250
Belinda Jackson Acquisition Fund		16,769	6,670
		3,712,371	4,075,192

Cash at bank earns interest at variable rates. Weighted average interest rate is 5.40%.

## 8. CURRENT ASSETS - RECEIVABLES

Trade Debtors		337,292	30,327
Other Debtors		80,249	86,214
		417,541	116,541
9. CURRENT ASSETS - INVENTORIES			
Finished goods	1(L)	392,013	371,692
Less: Provision for Stock Write-down	- ()	(11,357)	(23,099)
Less: Provision for Stock Obsolescence		(23,409)	(16,409)
		357,247	332,184
10. CURRENT ASSETS - PREPAYMENTS			
Other		12,185	20,580
		12,185	20,580

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
11. NON-CURRENT ASSETS - PLANT	& EQUIPMEN	т	
Leasehold Improvements, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation	1 (H) 1 (G)	8,353,797 (2,554,024)	8,146,200 (2,323,865)
Net Book Value		5,799,773	5,822,335
Plant & Equipment, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation		893,497 (701,204)	700,317 (612,024)
Net Book Value		192,293	88,293
Works of Art, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation	1 (I) 1 (G)	7,108,416	6,881,713
Net Book Value		7,108,416	6,881,713
Books & Publications, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation	1 (J) 1 (G)	113,822 (113,822)	113,822 (113,822)
Net Book Value		-	-
Furniture & Fittings, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation		794,016 (471,573)	749,736 (417,807)
Net Book Value		322,443	331,929
Computer Equipment, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation		359,059 (316,187)	339,952 (284,632)
Net Book Value		42,872	55,320
Motor Vehicle, at cost Less: Accumulated Depreciation		79,489 (36,235)	77,596 (46,481)
Net Book Value		43,254	31,115
TOTAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT		13,509,051	13,210,705

## \* Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of each class of plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Leasehold Improve-	Plant & Equipment	Works of Art	Books & Publications	Furniture & Fittings	Computer Equipment	Motor Vehicle	Total
Carrying amount	ments \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
at 1 January 2005	5,822,335	88,293	6,881,713	-	331,929	55,320	31,115	13,210,705
Additions	207,597	193,180	226,703	-	44,280	19,107	46,343	737,210
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	(24,448)	(24,448)
Depreciation/ Amortisation expense	(230,159)	(89,180)	-	-	(53,766)	(31,555)	(9,756)	(414,416)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2005	5,799,773	192,293	7,108,416		322,443	42,872	43,254	13,509,051

An independent valuation of the company's works of art was carried out by Simon Storey valuers in December 2003. This indicated a market value of \$11,080,891.

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
12. CURRENT LIABILITIES - PAYABLES			
Trade Creditors Other Creditors		570,887 588,403	612,364 652,781
		1,159,290	1,265,145
13. CURRENT LIABILITIES - PROVISIO	NS		
Provision for sponsor benefits		10,000	10,000
Provision for annual leave	1 (F)	173,260	180,583
Provision for long service leave	1 (F)	115,018	60,444
		298,278	251,027
Employee numbers Average number of employees during the fin	ancial vear	70	70

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
14. CURRENT LIABILITIES - INCOME I	N ADVANCE		
Income in Advance		210,700	136,995
Income in Advance: government grant		1,410,000	1,350,000
		1,620,700	1,486,995
15. RETAINED PROFITS			
Retained Profits			
Retained profits at the beginning of the fina	ncial year	14,752,035	14,329,356
Net profit	•	178,092	422,679
Retained profits at the end of the finar	icial year	14,930,127	14,752,035
Included in the above amounts are:			
- Forgiveness of loans	1 (P)	6,565,390	6,565,390
- Gifts of works of art to the Collection	1 (I)	5,245,814	5,173,355

## **16. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Company's activities expose it to variety of financial risks including credit risk and interest rate risks. Objective of Company's overall risk management program focuses to maximise the benefit to the Company.

## Credit Risk Exposures

The credit risk on financial assets of the Company is the carrying value, net of any provision for doubtful debts.

#### Interest Rate Risk Exposures

The Company's exposure to interest rate risk and the interest rate for each class of financial assets and liabilities are set out in note 7.

#### Net Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities comprise of cash at bank. The net fair value of financial assets and liabilities approximates their carrying value.

#### 17. RELATED PARTIES TRANSACTIONS

#### (a) Directors

The names of persons who were directors of the company at any time during the financial year are as follows: D Coe, A Love, P Steigrad, G Woolley, L Turnbull, P Ivany, C Schwartz, M Dwyer, M Cullen, and C Harris. All of these persons were also directors during the year ended 31 December 2005, except for M Dwyer who was appointed on 17 May 2005 and M Cullen and C Harris who were appointed on 16 August 2005. In addition, T Janke held office as a director until her retirement on 16 August 2005.

#### (b) Key management and personnel compensation

Key management personnel compensation for the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2004 is set out below. The key management personnel are all the directors of the company and the five executives with the greatest authority for the strategic direction and management of the company.

	Short-term benefits	Post-employ ment benefits	Other long- term benefits		Share-based payments	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2005	591,411	-	2,506		-	593,917
2004	573,515	-	4,565	-	-	578,080

#### 18. SEGMENTS

The principal activity of the Company during the year was the management of the Museum of Contemporary Art. The Company operates predominantly in one geographical area, being Australia.

### 19. SHARE CAPITAL

The Company is a company limited by guarantee and as such does not have authorised or issued capital. Every member of the Company undertakes to contribute to the property of the Company, in the event of the Company being wound up during the time that the member is a member, or within one year afterwards, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before the time at which the member ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up the same, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributors amongst themselves, such amounts as may be required not exceeding twenty dollars (\$20.00).

#### 20. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The MCA is partially funded by the Government of the State of New South Wales under the auspices of its Ministry for the Arts.

#### 21. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There has not been any matter of circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company in subsequent years.

#### 22. GRANTS

### (i) Ministry for the Arts

Grant of \$2.705M [2004: \$2.75M] was received from the Ministry for the Arts NSW for the period from January to December 2005. Grant of \$1.35M was also received in advance from the Ministry for the Arts for the period from January to June 2006.

#### (ii) Australia Council

Grant of \$620,750 [2004: \$250K] was received from the Australia Council for the period from January to December 2005. Grant of \$60K was also received in advance for 2006 from the Australia Council.

The details of grant are as follows:

- VAC KO Grant of \$250,000
- VAB KO Grant of \$255,750
- Grant for "New Australian Stories" of \$110,000 \$90,000 for 2005 and \$20,000 in advance for 2006
- Grant for "To present a series of discussion" of \$25,000
- Grant for "New Constellations" of \$40,000 grant in advance for 2006

#### (iii) Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority

Grant of \$300K [2004: \$300K] was received from Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority for the period from January to December 2005.

## (iv) Other grants

Grant of \$32K [2004: \$12K] was received from Mondriaan, Bundeskanzleramt and Department of Foreign Affair for the period from January to December 2005.

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
23. TRADING ACCOUNT			
Sales - Merchandise		857,287	1,044,750
Less: Cost of Goods Sold		(521,091)	(614,150)
Gross Profit		336,196	430,600

#### 24. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company does not have any contingent liabilities at 31 December 2005.

## 25. COMMITMENTS

## (a) Company as lessee

#### Operating leases

Commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
Within one year	69,900	63,096
Later than one year but not later than 5 years	279,600	349,500
Later than 5 years	180,575	180,575
Commitments not recognised in the financial statements	530,075	593,171

## (b) Company as lessor

## Operating leases

Future minimum lease payments expected to be received in relation to non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
Within one year	2,217,376	2,168,888
Later than one year but not later than 5 years	7,730,904	8,232,400
Later than 5 years	49,760,520	51,476,400
Commitments not recognised in the financial statements	59,708,800	61,877,688

	Notes	2005 \$	2004 \$
26. Reconciliation of net profit to cash u	sed in opera	iting activities	
Net Profit		178,092	422,679
Depreciation and Amortisation		414,416	346,655
Gifts of artworks		(72,459)	(176,882)
Net gain on disposal of fixed assets		(8,551)	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Increase in provisions		47,251	66,054
Increase/(Decrease) in income in advance		133,705	(301,454)
(Increase)/Decrease in receivables		(301,000)	486,922
Decrease/(Increase) in prepayments		8,395	(188)
(Increase) in inventory		(25,063)	(44,743)
(Decrease) in trade creditors		(41,477)	(214,852)
(Decrease)/Increase in other creditors		(64,379)	301,138
Net cash inflow from operating activities	;	268,930	885,329

There were no bank overdrafts at 31 December 2005.

## 27. EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs (AIFRSs) $\label{eq:australian} % \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{1} & \textbf{2} & \textbf{3} &$

With the transition to AIFRS, some accounting policies have changed. The transition has had no impact on equity of opening AIFRS balance sheet and income statement at the date of transition and for the year ended 31 December 2004.

The only change to comparative figures is the reclassification of the provision for long service leave from current to non-current as MCA does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

# Director's Declaration For the year ended 31 December 2005

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 4 to 19 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2005 and of its performance, as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows, for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

D COE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Sydney 12 April 2006

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CHAIRMAN OF THE MNANCE COMMITTEE



## Independent audit report to the members of Museum of Contemporary Art Limited

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## **Audit opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of Museum of Contemporary Art Limited:

- gives a true and fair view, as required by the Corporations Act 2001 in Australia, of the financial position of Museum of Contemporary Art Limited as at 31 December 2005 and of its performance for the year ended on that date, and
- is presented in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Accounting Standards and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

This opinion must be read in conjunction with the rest of our audit report.

#### Scope

#### The financial report and directors' responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of changes in equity, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the directors' declaration for Museum of Contemporary Art Limited, for the year ended 31 December 2005.

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

#### Audit approach

We conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the Company. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected. For further explanation of an audit, visit our website <a href="https://www.pwc.com/au/financialstatementaudit">https://www.pwc.com/au/financialstatementaudit</a>.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, Accounting Standards and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the

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Company's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations, changes in equity and cash flows.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report, and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors.

Our procedures include reading the other information in the Annual Report to determine whether it contains any material inconsistencies with the financial report.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management.

#### Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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R.L. Gavin Partner Sydney 12 April 2006

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## Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of Museum of Contemporary Art Limited for the year ended 31 December 2005,1 declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit This declaration is in respect of Museum of Contemporary Art Limited during the period.

R.L. Gavin Partner

Sydney 12 April 2006

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