



## LPA Summary of the Victorian Budget 2016–17

Dear Member

As Members would be aware, the Victorian Budget was handed down today.

The 2016–17 Victorian State Budget has provided funds for the following new initiatives that the live performance industry should benefit from over the next 4 years:

- **\$33.8m** to deliver Victoria's first **Creative State Strategy** targeted at generating productivity, income, jobs and export earnings for Victoria's creative industries.
- **\$50m** to support core activity at the **Melbourne Recital Centre, Arts Centre Melbourne** and State Library Melbourne.
- **\$6.9m** to expand and improve amenity and access at the **Geelong Performing Arts Centre**.
- **\$7m** to support the **Bendigo Arts Precinct** so the regional city can become a creative hub for Victoria.

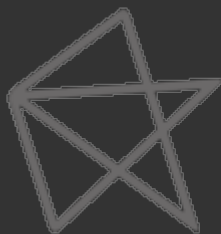
Additionally, **\$10m** from the *Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund* will support a **creative hub in the Latrobe Valley**.

Detailed information on the Victorian State Budget 2016–17 Budget Initiatives for Creative Industries, including a year-by-year breakdown, can be found [here](#).

Should you have any questions with regard to the Victorian State Budget 2016–17, please contact the LPA Office [via email](#) or call 03 8614 2000.

Kind regards,

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