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Parliament must act on marriage equality

Australians have voted in support of marriage equality and Live Performance Australia, the peak body for the live entertainment and performing arts industry, has called on the Federal Parliament to legislate for marriage equality.

LPA's Chief Executive Evelyn Richardson said "Australians have sent a clear message of support for marriage equality. The Parliament must act and pass legislation that reflects the will of a clear majority of Australians.

"Australia's live performance industry embraces and celebrates diversity and strives to promote equality for all Australians, regardless of their race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, or physical or intellectual disabilities.

"Many members of our industry are currently being discriminated against by the Marriage Act which denies them the same rights as heterosexual couples.

"We now look to the Federal Parliament to put Australians' support for marriage equality into law and remove this discrimination against many of those who work in our industry.

"We celebrate the talents and achievements of Australia's live performance industry – it's now time to also celebrate the loving relationships of all who work in our industry," Ms Richardson said.

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