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# HERITAGE PERMIT

GRANTED UNDER SECTION 102 OF THE  
HERITAGE ACT 2017

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Permit No: P37542

Applicant:



**NAME OF PLACE/OBJECT:** ROYAL EXHIBITION BUILDING AND CARLTON GARDENS (WORLD HERITAGE PLACE)

**HERITAGE REGISTER NUMBER:** H1501

**LOCATION OF PLACE/OBJECT:** NICHOLSON STREET AND VICTORIA STREET AND RATHDOWNE STREET AND CARLTON STREET  
CARLTON, MELBOURNE CITY

**THE PERMIT ALLOWS:** *Works to facilitate the 2023 Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show, in accordance with the following documents, as endorsed by the Executive Director and forming part of this permit:*

- Draft tree protection management plan (TPMP), prepared by Treelogic, dated 16 December 2022.

**and generally in accordance with the following documents:**

- Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show, Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens (south) - Heritage impact statement, prepared by GML Heritage, dated December 2022.
- Heritage Victoria Permit Application supporting documentation, prepared by IMG, undated, 14-page document.
- 2023 MIFGS Show Map, undated.
- 2023 MIFGS Irrigation map.
- 2023 MIFGS Landscape Designers Guide, undated, 8-page document.
- 2023 MIFGS Power & Lighting Plan, undated, 5-page document.
- 2023 MIFGS Production Schedule, undated, 3-page document.
- 2023 MIFGS Turf Reinstatement Process, undated, 4-page document.
- 2023 Garden Protection Method Statement, undated, 3-page document.

**THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS APPLY TO THIS PERMIT:**

1. The permission granted for this permit is valid only for the 2023 Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show, including the periods of set up and pack down of the event, and for the submission of post-event reporting required under Condition 15. This means the period of validity of the permit is 6 March 2023 until 7 July 2023.

2. The Executive Director is to be given two days' notice of the intention to commence the approved works.
3. Should further minor changes in accordance with the intent and approach of the endorsed documentation become necessary, correspondence and supporting documentation must be prepared and lodged in accordance with the permit condition for endorsement by the Executive Director Heritage Victoria. If the Executive Director considers that the changes are not minor, an amendment to the permit or a new application will be required.
4. Approved works or activities are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the registered place/object. However, if other previously hidden original or inaccessible details of the object or place are uncovered, any works that may affect such items must immediately cease. The Executive Director, Heritage Victoria must be notified of the details immediately to enable Heritage Victoria representatives to inspect and record the items, and for discussion to take place on the possible retention of the items, or the issue of a modified approval.
5. All works must cease, and Heritage Victoria must be contacted if historical archaeological artefacts or deposits are discovered during any excavation or subsurface works.
6. Physical alteration to the fabric of the Royal Exhibition Building is not permitted.
7. Digging, excavating, trenching or hole boring is not permitted to grassed surfaces.
8. Nailing, pruning, cutting or tying back of branches is not permitted to trees.
9. Lighting must not be fixed directly to any trees.
10. Heavy watering is not permitted during the four days prior to the installation of protective ground coverings, to ensure that the soil is moist, but not soft, at the time of the installation.
11. Use of road-base, crushed rock and/or granite sand to level exhibition areas is not permitted.

#### **PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF APPROVED WORKS**

12. Prior to the commencement of any of the works approved by this permit, a Heritage Protection Plan must be submitted to the Executive Director Heritage Victoria for approval. Once approved, the Heritage Protection Plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The Heritage Protection Plan must include protection measures for the Royal Exhibition Building during bump-in/out and the duration of the event.
13. Prior to the commencement of works approved in this permit a Pre-event Condition Report based on a site inspection prior to **7 March 2023** must be provided to the satisfaction of the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria.
14. Prior to the commencement of any of the works approved by this permit, a Final Layout Plan for the event must be submitted to the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria for approval. Once approved the Final Layout Plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The Final Layout Plan must be generally in accordance with the 2023 MIFGS Show Map, undated listed in the permit preamble. The Final Layout Plan must include but not be limited to the following:
  - Site Plan of the main installations, generally in accordance with 2023 MIFGS Show Map, undated.

- Additional stalls/features/temporary features not documented in the permit application;
- Any additional lighting displays;
- Signage associated with the presentation of the event;
- Locations of any temporary buildings and structures such as ticketing boxes, food trucks and generators.

#### **AT CONCLUSION OF APPROVED WORKS**

15. At the conclusion of the event, and prior to **12 May 2023**, the following condition reports for the gardens are to be prepared by fully qualified professionals (independent from the event) and must be submitted to the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria for approval. Once approved the condition reports will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit:
- Post-event condition report, including impacts and repair actions (including but not limited to aerating, scarification, top dressing, over seeding and fertilising of grassed areas), any variations to the approved documents and recommendations for any outstanding repair actions.
  - A soil compaction assessment, based on the condition of the place before and after the event, including recommendations for future soil protection.
- Recommendations included in the reports approved by the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria under condition 15 must be implemented before **7 July 2023**.
16. The Executive Director, Heritage Victoria must be informed when the approved works have been completed.
17. The works approved by this permit must be carried out in their entirety unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Executive Director Heritage Victoria.

**NOTE THAT PERMISSION HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR INSPECTIONS OF THE PLACE OR OBJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN DURING THE CARRYING OUT OF WORKS, AND WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS OF NOTIFICATION OF THEIR COMPLETION.**

**TAKE NOTICE THAT ANY NATURAL PERSON WHO CARRIES OUT WORKS OR ACTIVITIES NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERMIT OR CONDITIONS IS GUILTY OF AN OFFENCE AND LIABLE TO A PENALTY OF 120 PENALTY UNITS (\$22,190.40 FROM 1 JULY 2022) OR IN THE CASE OF A BODY CORPORATE 600 PENALTY UNITS (\$110,952 FROM 1 JULY 2022) UNDER s104 THE HERITAGE ACT 2017.**

**WORKS UNDERTAKEN WITHOUT A PERMIT OR PERMIT EXEMPTION CAN INCUR A FINE OF UP TO 4800 PENALTY UNITS (\$887,616 FROM 1 JULY 2022) FOR A NATURAL PERSON OR 5 YEARS IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH AND UP TO 9600 PENALTY UNITS (\$1,775,232 FROM 1 JULY 2022) IN THE CASE OF A BODY CORPORATE UNDER SECTION 87 OF THE HERITAGE ACT 2017.**

**THE ATTENTION OF THE OWNER AND/OR APPLICANT IS DRAWN TO THE NEED TO OBTAIN ALL OTHER RELEVANT PERMITS PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS.**

**Date Issued:**

02 March 2023

**Signed as delegate for the Executive Director,  
Heritage Victoria pursuant to the Instrument of  
Delegation**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J Sullivan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a clear surname.

**Janet Sullivan**  
Principal Heritage Permits  
Heritage Victoria

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