

## 7.1 MONASH GALLERY OF ART: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEMBERS

(JR:ARTS12)

Responsible Committee: Monash Gallery of Art Committee of Management

### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council:*

- 1. Approves the appointment of Ms Wai Tang to the Monash Gallery of Art Committee of Management for the period 1 December 2018 to 30 November 2021; and*
- 2. Approves the tenure extension of Dr Kathryn Hendy-Ekers for a further three years from 27 October 2018 to 27 October 2021.*

### **INTRODUCTION**

This report seeks Council's approval for proposed members of the Monash Gallery of Art (MGA) Committee of Management (COM). Ms Wai Tang is recommended as a new Committee member and the tenure of Dr Kathryn Hendy-Ekers is recommended for an extension of three years beyond her current tenure, in accordance with the COM Terms of Reference.

### **BACKGROUND**

The MGA COM is a Special Committee of Council in accordance with Section 86 of the Local Government Act 1989. Council has delegated to the COM a range of strategic, business development and collection development responsibilities that accord with its Section 86 status. The MGA COM Terms of Reference were revised and approved by Council at its meeting of 26 September 2017. The recommendations of this report comply with the Terms of Reference.

### **DISCUSSION**

The MGA COM seeks Council's approval of the appointment of a new COM member and tenure extension of a sitting Committee member. The appointments will leave one vacancy on the COM. The proposed members are Ms Wai Tang and Dr Kathryn Hendy-Ekers.

Ms Wai Tang is an experienced and accomplished director (listed, private and government) with very strong, successful experience in retail. She has a strong commitment to the visual and performing arts through her leadership roles and philanthropic support. Ms Tang currently sits on the boards of the Melbourne Festival and Visit Victoria. She also holds non-Executive Directorships of Vicinity Centres Ltd, JB Hi-Fi Ltd and PMP Ltd. Ms Tang has more than 30 years of working experience in the retail and wholesale manufacturing industries. She has held senior executive roles with the Just Group Ltd, Pacific Dunlop (Pacific Brands), Bowater plc (then Carter Holt Harvey) and IBM Consulting Group (management services).

Dr Kathryn Hendy-Ekers has been a member of the MGA COM since October 2015. As the Visual Arts Curriculum Manager of the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority, she continues to make a major contribution to advocacy for MGA and its strategic direction, building relationships and awareness in the education sector of MGA's exhibitions. Dr Hendy-Ekers advises teachers and key stakeholders on Visual Arts, Design and Media curriculum and

assessment, which draws on the resources and public programs of MGA for school visits and activities.

***SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS***

The social implications of this report are the appointment of committee members to guide, advocate and support the strategic vision of Monash Gallery of Art. The arts, cultural and community aspirations of MGA will benefit from their appointment and support the achievement of positive social outcomes.

***HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS***

There are no Human Rights implications inherent to this report.

***CONSULTATION***

Following discussion at its meeting of 12 September 2018, at which some members were absent, the MGA COM endorsed these recommendations via email.

***CONCLUSION***

To support the development of the strategic objectives of MGA and the efficacy of its COM, Council's approval is sought for the proposed new appointment of Ms Wai Tang and tenure extension of a further three year term for Dr Kathryn Hendy-Ekers.