



ANZAC MEMORIAL CENTENARY PROJECT

Community Update – August/September 2018



Aerial view of the Anzac Memorial Centenary Project near completion, taken September 2018

Construction Update

The Anzac Memorial Centenary Project is near completion with the finishing touches being made to the exterior and internal spaces ahead of the official opening later this year.

Above ground, the scaffold has been removed and landscaping and reinstatement of pathways, park furniture and lighting are complete. The Cascade is undergoing final commissioning and testing and the site sheds and temporary construction areas are being dismantled.

Inside, the last soil samples and plaques are being installed in the new Hall of Service to complete Fiona Hall's artwork, and the Anzac Memorial content and curatorial teams are fitting out the new exhibition space.

About the Project

As Australia marks the 100th anniversary of the First World War the NSW Government, together with the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building, are enhancing the Anzac Memorial. The project will realise the vision of the original architect, Bruce Dellit, and introduce new spaces for the community, allowing the Memorial to tell the stories of NSW's involvement in all military and peace-keeping missions and honour those who have served. Built has been appointed to deliver the construction of the Centenary Project on behalf of Infrastructure NSW and the Memorial's Trustees. For further information visit: www.anzacmemorial.nsw.gov.au/anzac-memorial-centenary-project



Installation of the plaques and soil samples as part of Fiona Hall's artwork in the Hall of Service.

Completed installation of the 1,701 plaques and soil samples

Over 18 months hundreds of communities registered online to collect and deliver soil samples to the Anzac Memorial Centenary Project team to become part of Fiona Hall's artwork in the new Hall of Service. Each sample originates from a NSW town, suburb and district given as a place of address by First World War enlistees.

The 1,701 bags were stored in the Memorial's offsite storage shed in Alexandria before being shipped in batches of 100–200 soil samples for drying at Biosecurity Laboratory Operations, NSW Department of Primary Industries, in Wollongbar in northern New South Wales. Once dried, the soil was sent to Steritech in Western Sydney for sterilisation and decontamination to ensure the samples would remain stable once installed in the specially made glass jars. The last plaque was hung on 6 September completing an incredible tribute to the people of NSW who served in the Great War.

The Centenary of Armistice Service

On Remembrance Day, 11 November 2018, Australia will commemorate the centenary of the Armistice that ended the First World War. A significant commemorative date ending an important period of reflection - the Anzac Centenary 2014-18.

Historically NSW's Remembrance Day Service, hosted by the Premier, has taken place at the Cenotaph in Martin Place. However, to mark the 100th anniversary of the ending of the First World War and the completion of the Anzac Memorial Centenary Project, the 2018 Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park. At the conclusion of the service all attendees are invited to explore the expanded Memorial. For details go to: <https://bit.ly/2xBdOYI>

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