



## **Alison Page appointed to the AGSA Board**

**Adelaide, Australia:** The Art Gallery of South Australia today announces the appointment of Alison Page to the Art Gallery Board, with effect from this Thursday 22 July 2021.

A Walbanga and Wadi Wadi woman and award-winning designer and film producer, Alison Page has been involved in the gallery and museum sector as a designer of exhibitions since 1998, linking First Nations stories and traditional knowledge with contemporary design. She was inducted into the Design Institute of Australia Hall of Fame in 2015 and was a regular panellist for eight years on *The New Inventors*.

Currently serving as a board member of the National Australia Day Council, councillor with the Australian National Maritime Museum and a board member of the Aboriginal research group Ninti One Ltd based in Adelaide, Alison Page has also been involved with numerous cultural boards. Alison Page is Managing Director of Zakpage, a company that makes new media artworks for museum installation as well as media activations in public urban spaces. Alison has also recently co-authored a book with Paul Memmott titled *Design: Building on Country* which reflects on her 22 years of experience in Aboriginal cultural architectural practice.

Alison Page said, 'I believe that the arts and storytelling can play a vital role in the activation of cities beyond the walls of the gallery and that we can engage younger audiences by creating immersive and entertaining experiences.'

Jason Karas, Chair of the Art Gallery Board said, 'I am delighted to welcome Alison Page to the Board of the Art Gallery of South Australia. Her expertise in architecture, design and film production will be a great asset to AGSA and significantly enhances the capability of our talented Board,

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including in the areas of digital engagement with AGSA's younger audience and activating our extraordinary collection beyond its traditional reach.'

'Alison's appointment is an important step in the implementation of the Board's strategy of ensuring that AGSA is at the forefront of innovation, diversity and inclusion, for the benefit of all members of our community,' Jason Karas said.

AGSA Director Rhana Devenport ONZM said, 'We look forward to Alison Page's meaningful and strategic contributions to AGSA through her role on the Board. Her voice will be an important one that will ensure that AGSA continues its leading work engaging audiences in new and innovative ways and in championing the voices of our First Nations artists.'

Alison Page joins a highly skilled and strategic team on AGSA's Board that includes Jason Karas as Chair, and Jacqui McGill AO, Joshua Fanning, Susan Armitage and Jane Yuile.

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