

Wagga Wagga women's history exhibition opening at Museum of the Riverina

There's More 2 HerStory, an exhibition focusing on the stories of Wagga Wagga women, has opened at the Museum of the Riverina – Historic Council Chambers.

A follow up exhibition to the groundbreaking 2019 exhibition *HerStory*, *There's More 2 HerStory* explores the extraordinary lives of 45 Wagga Wagga women and was created to continue to address the underrepresentation of women's stories within the formal historical record.

This exhibition takes the opportunity to explore the exceptional achievements, perseverance and resilience of women throughout Wagga Wagga's history, including Indigenous Elders, artisans, sportswomen, performers, teachers and businesswomen.

Museum Curator Michelle Maddison said *There's More 2 HerStory* highlights the often-overlooked contributions of women in our community.

"I think it's timely to remember the importance of women's history to Wagga Wagga as a community, given the current protests and political discourse surrounding women's rights," Ms Maddison said.

"Highlighting women's stories in this exhibition contributes to the rightful recognition of women both generally and within Australia's historical record."

Museum of the Riverina Manager Luke Grealy said the exhibition brings unknown stories to light.

"Exhibitions like *There's More 2 HerStory*, that explore local histories previously untold or undervalued, are an important part of our work here at the Museum of the Riverina," Mr Grealy said.

"They represent an opportunity for giving voice to stories and people who have often been unseen and unheard."

There's More 2 HerStory is on display at the Museum of the Riverina – Historic Council Chambers. For more information visit museumriverina.com.au

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If you would like to speak to Museum of the Riverina Curator Michelle Maddison, please contact us via media@wagga.nsw.gov.au to arrange a day and time.

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About Wagga Wagga City Council

Wagga Wagga City Council serves more than 68,000 residents across an area of 4825 square kilometres with an overall budget of more than \$236M.

The organisation manages more than \$2.48 billion in assets, including a 2300km road network, Wagga Wagga Airport, Livestock Marketing Centre and the Oasis Aquatic Centre.

Council also provides important community facilities such as Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, Wagga Wagga City Library, Museum of the Riverina and Civic Theatre, as well as maintaining countless parks, playgrounds and sporting facilities to ensure Wagga maintains its reputation as 'the City of Good Sports'.

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