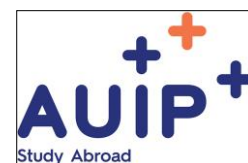


Itinerary for PSU SOVA 2021
Social and Cultural Explorations in the Visual Arts: in Sydney, Australia
13 July 2021 - 24 July 2021



Tuesday 13 July **Day 1: Sydney**

- 8:50 AM **Group flight arrives**
- 9:30 AM **Welcome to Sydney**
Your guide for today's walking tour will greet you upon arrival at the airport with a sign that reads "PENN STATE UNIVERSITY." Please meet at Exit A at the northern end of the terminal.

If you miss your flight and will be arriving late, please contact your faculty leader, Dr. Angela Rothrock (Phone: 011 61 420 675 797 or Email: arothrockpsu@gmail.com), to let her know when you will be arriving. You will then be responsible for making your own way from the airport to the accommodation.

Please notify your family of your safe arrival.
- 10:15 AM **Depart by coach to Travelodge Sydney (travel time approximately 30 minutes)**

Please store your luggage at Travelodge Sydney. You will be able to check in after 3:30 PM. Please notify hotel staff of any valuables (laptop computers, jewellery, electronics, etc.) and they can lock them in a secure room for you.
- 11:10 AM **Depart by coach to The Rocks historic neighborhood (travel time approximately 20 minutes)**
- 11:30 AM **Guided walking tour of The Rocks**
Your guide will provide you with a detailed history of The Rocks as you visit sites of interest in the area. Topics include Aboriginal history and culture, Australia's history as a convict penal colony, the start of European migration to Australia and Sydney landmarks. Other highlights include a visit to Sydney's narrowest street, hearing a didgeridoo being played and photo opportunities of the Opera House and Sydney Harbour.

Please ensure you bring a camera and water, wear comfortable walking shoes and dress according to the weather conditions for the walking tour. A sunhat, sunglasses and sunscreen are advisable. Please also bring your Opal Card.
- 1:00 PM **Lunch on your own**
After lunch, make your way to The Rocks Discovery Museum on Kendall Lane.
- 2:00 PM **The Rocks Discovery Museum**
Kendall Lane, The Rocks, Sydney, Phone: 02 9240 8680
This small but interesting museum is located in a restored 1850s sandstone warehouse. It tells the story of The Rocks from pre-European days to the present.
- 3:30 PM **Make your way back to Travelodge Sydney**
Walking will take approximately 30 minutes. The train will be faster, approximately 15 minutes. Take the train from Circular Quay Station, Stand B. Your stop will be Museum Station. Use <https://transportnsw.info/#/> to find other public transport departure times.
- 4:00 PM **Check in to accommodation**
Unpack and settle in to your accommodation.

Please note: When checking in to your accommodation, check your room thoroughly for any damage. If you discover any existing damage, report it to reception immediately so you are not fined for it when you check out.
- 4:45 PM **Welcome and safety orientation**
Led by Dr. Angela Rothrock in the Travelodge lounge.
- 6:20 PM **Depart on foot from Travelodge Sydney to The Canopy at Hyde Park**
Exit your accommodation and turn left on Commonwealth Street toward Lyons Lane. Turn left onto Liverpool Street. Your destination will be on your left. This walk will take approximately 5 minutes.
- 6:30 PM **The Canopy at Hyde Park group dinner**
157 Liverpool Street, Sydney, Phone: 02 926 43007, 0481 113 395
Dinner options include pizzas, pastas and garden salad. One soft drink per person will be provided.

Accommodation

Travelodge Sydney, Cnr Wentworth & Goulburn Street, Sydney, Phone: 02 8267 1700
Internet access, Laundry facility - charged, Gymnasium, Air conditioning, Disabled access, Luggage storage



Wednesday 14 July

Day 2: Sydney

7:30 AM

Travelodge Sydney breakfast

Your guide for today will meet you at your accommodation. Please bring your Opal Card with you today and read ahead to make sure you have everything you need for today's activities.

8:30 AM

Guided Walking Tour (Guide TBC)

Your guide will provide an introduction to heritage observation and tourism development through a walking tour of Sydney. During the tour you will undertake a 'reading the landscape' exercise and visit Chinatown, Darling Harbour, Circular Quay and Manly. The group will gather in Manly Park at the end of the day to discuss all observations.

Please wear sun protection and sensible walking shoes and bring water and snacks with you.

12:30 PM

Manly Grill group lunch

30-32 South Steyne, Manly, Phone: 02 9977 0997

You may choose an entrée and main from the set menu provided.

1:30 PM

Guided Walking Tour continues

4:00 PM

Free evening

Dinner on your own.

Accommodation

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Thursday 15 July

Day 3: Sydney

8:00 AM

Travelodge Sydney breakfast

Please bring your Opal Card with you today.

9:30 AM

Make your way to the Museum of Contemporary Art

Walking will take approximately 30 minutes. The train from Museum Station will be faster; approximately 15 minutes. Your stop is Circular Quay. Use <https://transportnsw.info/#/> to find public transport departure times.

10:00 AM

Mana-Nura Giba-Nura Aboriginal Walk with Jarmarni Tompkins

Please meet your tour guide at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA) lawn. Your tour includes:

- An introduction and acknowledgement to Australia.
- First contact stories.

Bligh Barney Reserve

- Learn about the local bush tucker. Your guide will demonstrate the uses of the different plants.

Campbell's Cove

- Stories of role models such as Bennelong, Pemulwuy, Windradyne, Charles Perkins, Eddie Mabo and others.

Hickson Reserve

- Whale Dreaming / Industry – you will be shown the whale seat which is a modern interpretation of hidden rock carving.

Dawes Point Observatory

- Discuss Pateygarang and William Dawes and their legacy.

Playfair Lane

Sandstone/Ochre wall (beneath Foundation Park)

- Discuss the significance of ochre, colours, designs, symbology, ceremonial and meanings.

Rocks Discovery Museum

- You will have the opportunity to look and touch various artefacts and your guide will explain the uses of the artefacts.

'A View of The Rocks' Mural – Kendall Lane

- Your guide will take you to have a look at the mural outside the museum 'A view of the Rocks' and talk about the three different stages of The Rocks from pre-British settlement to the present.

12:00 PM

Make your way to Blackbird Café

12:30 PM

Blackbird Cafe group lunch



Balcony Level 1, Wheat Road, Cockle Bay Wharf, Darling Harbour, Sydney, Phone: 02 9283 7385
Enjoy one main and the first round of soft drinks for the table.

1:45 PM **Walk to the Australian National Maritime Museum**
From Blackbird Café, turn right onto Wheat Road and continue around the harbour past Darling Harbour Convention Jetty and under Pyrmont Bridge. After the bridge, turn left and then turn right. The walk takes approximately 10 minutes.

2:00 PM **Self-guided visit to the Australian National Maritime Museum**
2 Murray St, Sydney, Phone: 02 9298 3777
The Australian National Maritime Museum is Australia's national centre for maritime collections, exhibitions, research and archaeology. The museum presents a changing programme of stimulating exhibitions and events to share Australia's maritime history and connect the stories, objects, people and places that are part of Australia's narrative.

4:00 PM **Free afternoon**
Dinner on your own.

Accommodation

Travelodge Sydney, Cnr Wentworth & Goulburn Street, Sydney, Phone: 02 8267 1700

Friday 16 July Day 4: Sydney

8:00 AM **Travelodge Sydney breakfast**
Please bring your Opal card today.

9:30 AM **Make your way to the Museum of Contemporary Art**
Walking will take approximately 30 minutes. The train from Museum Station will be faster; approximately 15 minutes. Your stop is Circular Quay. Use <https://transportnsw.info/#/> to find public transport departure times.

10:00 AM **Museum of Contemporary Art Australia: Gallery Exploration guided tour**
140 George Street, Sydney, Phone: 02 9245 2400
Located on one of the world's most spectacular sites on the edge of Sydney Harbour, the Museum of Contemporary Art Australia is dedicated to exhibiting, collecting and interpreting the work of today's artists. Their venue boasts incomparable views of the harbour, Sydney Opera House and city skyline. The MCA stands on land of immense cultural and historical significance to the traditional owners of this place, the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation. The MCA Collection contains over 4000 works by Australian artists that have been acquired since 1989. The Museum collects across all art forms with strong holdings in painting, photography, sculpture, works on paper and moving image, as well as significant representation of works by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists.

Please make your way to the Level 1 Information Desk where you will be met by an Artist Educator.

You will delve into an MCA exhibition in this inquiry-based programme, focusing on artistic and curatorial practice. Find out about an artist's practice through an examination of their concepts, processes and approach to materials. Identify unifying themes and ideas within the exhibition, consider curatorial decision-making, and engage with artworks through lively discussion and active creative learning strategies.

Please note that food and drinks are not permitted in the gallery.

12:00 PM **Free afternoon and evening**
Lunch and dinner on your own.

Accommodation

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Saturday 17 July Day 5: Sydney

8:00 AM **Travelodge Sydney breakfast**
Please bring your Opal Card today. Please read ahead and make sure you have everything you need for today's activities.

9:30 AM **Make your way to Newtown**
Your guide will meet you outside the Newtown train station beside the Cuckoo Callay Café.

10:00 AM **Street Art Tour in Newtown with Erin**
This tour will take approximately 3 hours.

Please bring water, snacks and sun protection for today's walking tour. Please also wear sturdy walking shoes.



- 1:00 PM **Make your way to Three Williams Café**
- 1:30 PM **Group lunch at Three Williams Café**
613A Elizabeth Street, Redfern, Sydney, Phone: 02 9698 1111
Please order one main meal and one non-alcoholic beverage from the menu.
- 2:30 PM **Free afternoon and evening**
Dinner on your own.

Accommodation

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Sunday 18 July Day 6: Sydney

- 8:00 AM **Free day**
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner on your own.

Accommodation

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Monday 19 July Day 7: Sydney

- 8:00 AM **Travelodge Sydney breakfast**
Please bring your Opal Card with you today.
- 9:30 AM **Make your way to Sydney Theatre Company**
The train from Museum Station leaves every 7 minutes and takes approximately 12 minutes to reach Circular Quay. From the station head left around the harbour (with the water on your right). Turn left onto Circular Quay W and continue onto Argyle Street. Turn right onto Lower Fort Street and left onto Windmill Street. Turn right onto Pottinger Street and at the roundabout take the second exit on your left onto Hickson Road. Sydney Theatre Company will be on your right.
- 10:00 AM **The Wharf and Sydney Theatre Company Backstage Tour**
Pier 4/5, Hickson Road, Sydney, Phone: 02 9250 1777
The beautiful, heritage-listed Wharf building on iconic Sydney Harbour is home to the busy Sydney Theatre Company. This is where it all happens - they build sets, paint scenery, make costumes and props, and put on performances. Tours of The Wharf and Sydney Theatre provide a taste of what happens behind the scenes. Plus, thanks to the Greening the Wharf project, the building is now an inspirational example of environmental leadership. STC's Backstage Tour is a hands-on, interactive experience providing detailed insight into their vision as a theatre company and the evolution of plays from page to stage. Come behind-the-scenes to investigate all aspects of the production process, from programming and design presentations to set and costume creation, and bump-in.
- 12:25 PM **Walk to Ventuno Restaurant**
From Sydney Theatre Company turn right and continue on Hickson Road for 190 metres. Ventuno Restaurant will be on your right. This walk takes approximately 2 minutes.
- 12:30 PM **Group lunch at Ventuno Restaurant**
21 Hickson Road, Walsh Bay, Phone: 02 9247 4444
Unlimited pizza and salad. Your meal will also include up to two soft drinks per person.
- 1:30 PM **Walk to Circular Quay Ferry Terminal**
- 1:40 PM **Depart by ferry to Taronga Zoo**
Please use your Opal Card to tap on to the F2 ferry, and off again at the Taronga Zoo Wharf. The ferry ride will take approximately 12 minutes and it is a 15-minute walk from the wharf to the main entrance of the zoo.
- 2:30 PM **Taronga Zoo visit with Lee Hayter**
Bradleys Head Road, Sydney, Phone: 02 9969 2777
Taronga is a not-for-profit organisation supporting wildlife conservation. The zoo cares for 4,000 animals from over 350 species, many of which are threatened. Taronga believes that through education they can inspire and create behaviour change to support species conservation and habitat preservation.

You will be given a guided tour during your time at the zoo and there will also be time for self-guided exploration. You may stay on longer at the zoo if you wish. The zoo closes at 5:00pm.



- 5:00 PM **Ferry back to Circular Quay**
- 5:20 PM **Dinner on your own**
- 6:45 PM **Make your way to the Roslyn Packer Theatre**
22 Hickson Rd, Walsh Bay (Circular Quay)
- 7:30 PM **Sydney Theatre Company performance: A View from the Bridge (TBC)**

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Tuesday 20 July Day 8: Sydney

- 8:00 AM **Travelodge Sydney breakfast**
Please bring your Opal Card with you today.
- 9:30 AM **Walk to Royal Botanic Garden**
From your accommodation turn left onto Wentworth Avenue and continue onto College Street. Turn right onto Prince Albert Road and continue onto Art Gallery Road. Turn slight left onto Mrs Macquaries Road. The Learning Centre is on your left, past the Royal Botanic Garden offices and National Herbarium of NSW. The walk takes about 25 minutes.
- 10:00 AM **Royal Botanic Garden Educational 'People, Plants and Places' Tour**
Learning Centre, The Royal Botanic Garden, Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney, Phone: 02 9231 8134
Discover the fascinating history of the plants and people associated with Australia's oldest botanic garden. The Royal Botanic Garden is now one of the largest deliverers of Aboriginal education content. You will have the opportunity to meet with Aboriginal educators to learn about Aboriginal cultural heritage and the significance of the site and learn about the ways that Aboriginal people used plants for food, tools and medicine.
- 12:30 PM **Lunch on your own**
- 1:30 PM **Make your way to Art Gallery of New South Wales**
- 2:00 PM **Art Gallery of NSW Self-guided tour**
Art Gallery Road, Sydney, Phone: 1800 679 278
The Art Gallery of New South Wales, located in The Domain, is the most important public gallery in Sydney and the fourth largest in Australia.

Please note, pens are not allowed in the museum. If you would like to take notes, please bring a pencil. Bags, food and drinks are also not permitted in the gallery. An education assistant will assist your group with check-in.
- 4:00 PM **Free evening**
Dinner on your own.

Accommodation

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Wednesday 21 July Day 9: Sydney

- 6:10 AM **Make your way to the Sydney Opera House**
Please bring your Opal Card with you today. Walking will take approximately 30 minutes. The train from Museum Station leaves every 7 minutes and will be faster, taking approximately 19 minutes. Your stop will be Circular Quay.

Please note that you need to arrive 15 minutes early and must wear flat, rubber-soled closed-in shoes for your Backstage Tour.
- 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM **Backstage tour of the Sydney Opera House**
Bennelong Point, Sydney, Phone: 02 9250 7111
Sweep back the curtains and explore behind the scenes with an intimate small-group Backstage Tour. Breakfast in the exclusive domain of our performers, journey through rehearsal spaces not open to the public, and be tantalised with insider secrets from our expert guides.

Please wear flat, rubber-soled closed-in and comfortable walking shoes. Open-toed shoes are not allowed for the Backstage Tour. The tour departs from the Stage Door, which is located on the main concourse level. Please arrive at



the Stage Door by 6:45 AM to check in and receive pre-tour instructions. The tour leaves promptly at 7:00 AM and it will not be possible to join the tour once it has departed.

- 9:30 AM **Free time**
Lunch and dinner on your own.
- 6:30 PM **Make your way to the Sydney Opera House**
Meet Dr. Angela Rothrock and the rest of the group at the pre-arranged location.
- 7:30 PM **Sydney Opera House performance (performance TBC)**
Bennelong Point, Sydney, Phone: 02 9250 7111

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Thursday 22 July Day 10: Sydney

- 8:00 AM **Travelodge Sydney breakfast**
Please bring your Opal Card with you today.
- 9:30 AM **Make your way to the Brett Whiteley Studio**
Walking will take you approximately 20 minutes via Commonwealth Street, Wentworth Ave, Goulburn Street, Crown Street, Davies Street and Raper Street. The bus from Museum Station, Downing Centre, Stand B leaves every 15 minutes and will be slightly faster at approximately 12 minutes. Your stop will be Crown Street at Rainford Street. Use <https://transportnsw.info/#/> to find public transport departure times.
- 10:00 AM **Brett Whiteley self-guided tour**
2 Raper Street, Surry Hills, Sydney, Phone: 02 9225 1881
The Brett Whiteley Studio was the workplace and home of Australian artist, Brett Whiteley (1939 – 1992). He bought the former warehouse in 1985 and converted it into a studio and exhibition space. He lived there from 1987 to 1992, the year he died in Thirroul. Visitors are offered the unique opportunity to experience the atmosphere of the space – the studio with his unfinished paintings, art equipment and collections of reference books, and the graffiti wall covered with quotes and images. The living area has memorabilia such as photographs, objects, postcards, furniture, his music collection and sketchbooks. The gallery has changing exhibitions of the artist's works: paintings, drawings, sculpture and graphics borrowed from the Whiteley Estate, Art Gallery of New South Wales and private collections.
- 1:00 PM **Lunch on your own**
Afterwards make your way to Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden.
- 2:30 PM **Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden self-guided tour**
Sydney's Lavender Bay is the perfect spot to enjoy the spectacular Sydney scenery and let time pass by. If you turn your back to the gorgeous view and walk a up a stealthy flight of stairs, you'll find yourself somewhere a bit magical - Wendy's Secret Garden. The garden was created in 1992 by Wendy Whiteley, wife and muse to artist Brett Whiteley, following her by then ex-husband's death. Before Wendy turned the patch of land into the whimsical retreat it is today, it was a dumping ground, overgrown with weeds.
- 4:30 PM **Free afternoon**
Dinner on your own.

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Friday 23 July Day 11: Sydney

- 8:00 AM **Free day**
Breakfast and lunch on your own.
- 5:30 PM **Programme evaluations**
Wrap-up session held in the Travelodge Sydney ground floor lounge area.
- 6:30 PM **Farewell group dinner**

Accommodation

Travelodge Sydney, Cnr Wentworth & Goulburn Street, Sydney, Phone: 02 8267 1700



Saturday 24 July

Day 12: Sydney to USA

8:00 AM

Travelodge Sydney breakfast

Check out of accommodation

Please make sure that you leave your room clean and tidy and that you do not leave anything behind. Please load your luggage onto the coach.

Depart by coach to Sydney International Airport (travel time approximately 30 minutes)

Murrays Coaches, Phone: 13 22 59

Lunch on your own in the airport today.

Group flight departs for US

Safe travels and we hope you enjoyed your time in Sydney!

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