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## NSW Parliament's Reconciliation Wall Hosts Powerful New Blak Douglas Works

The NSW Parliament is proud to announce a new exhibition, *Home Flown*, by acclaimed First Nations artist Blak Douglas. The exhibition will be showcased on the Reconciliation Wall from 5 May to 25 June 2026. This significant body of work confronts and redefines public perceptions of 'Aboriginal Art', offering audiences a thought-provoking exploration of cultural identity and contemporary artistic practice.

Blak Douglas brings a deeply personal response to this exhibition as he explores the ongoing challenge faced by many modern Aboriginal artists: resisting the pressure to conform to stereotypes and the expectation that their work must be 'identifiably Aboriginal'. Drawing on his experiences and mentorship from renowned First Nations practitioners, Douglas's paintings blur the lines between traditional and contemporary, questioning what truly defines Aboriginal art today.

Each artwork features the retro Australian Made logo, weaving together humour and critique in a commentary on the appropriation of Aboriginal iconology. Through vibrant design and sharp social observation, Douglas invites viewers to reconsider their assumptions and engage more deeply with the diversity of contemporary First Nations art.

"This exhibition is deeply meaningful to me; it is both a challenge and a celebration" said Blak Douglas, "Through these paintings, I confront prevailing stereotypes and invite viewers to see beyond the default templates of 'Aboriginal Art'".

The Hon Ben Franklin MLC is hosting *Home Flown* at NSW Parliament. Mr Franklin said, "We are truly honoured to present this exhibition on the Reconciliation Wall. These works from Blak Douglas spark important conversations and remind us that art, at its core, is both a bridge to tradition and a window to new perspectives."


See *Home Flown* between 9am and 5pm at the Parliament of New South Wales (6 Macquarie Street, Sydney) until 25 June 2026. Entry is free.

For more information about the exhibition visit:

<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/visit/events/Pages/Home-Flown.aspx>

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