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FOUNTAIN COURT EXHIBITIONS AT PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES

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Surreal twist on Sydney icons in stunning new art exhibition

Marvel at some of Sydney's most iconic landmarks transformed like you've never seen them before in this free exhibition at the Fountain Court of NSW Parliament House.

Running across September, *Skyscapes* features more than 30 paintings by Marrickville-based artist Louise Beck, each focusing on Sydney's glass skyscrapers as they reflect and distort their surrounds. From the Sydney Harbour Bridge to the Manly ferries, these familiar icons take a remarkably unfamiliar twist as they dance and shimmer in dazzling reflections seen across the city.

"Inspired by the playful movement of reflections in Sydney's glass skyscrapers, I wanted to bring the city alive and refresh our perspective on this beautiful city," says Ms Beck. "The result is a fluid, organic and somewhat surreal take on our city. The old and the new are oddly juxtaposed, while cranes loom on the horizon as harbingers of change."

The stunning colours and playful charm of Sydney come alive in this exhibition, offering everyone a chance to rediscover some of this beautiful city's most celebrated icons and architectural wonders. It's also an incredibly timely occasion to reflect on the dynamic nature of Sydney as the city continues to grow, change and flourish.

Minister for Transport Jo Haylen MP is delighted to be hosting the exhibition at Parliament House.

Skyscapes is open at NSW Parliament House (6 Macquarie Street, Sydney) on weekdays, 9am to 5pm, until 5 October 2023. Entry to the exhibition and Parliament is free. Those unable to see the exhibition in person can explore the works online via <u>www.bit.ly/events-and-exhibitions</u>.

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