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Fountain Court Exhibitions at Parliament of New South Wales



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Ode to Freedom Exhibition Unveiled at NSW Parliament House Celebrates Greek Heritage and Shared Values

This month, the Parliament of New South Wales welcomes *Ode to Freedom*, a captivating exhibition by acclaimed Greek Australian artist Angela Kiki Konstantinopoulou commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Exodus of Mesolonghi. This significant collection is on display in Parliament's Fountain Court from 5 May to 28 May 2026, under the auspices of the Consulate General of Greece in Sydney.

Angela Kiki Konstantinopoulou's deeply expressive works blend historical narrative with contemporary artistry. Her creative practice reimagines pivotal events and figures, transforming them into vivid visual experiences that celebrate freedom, resilience, and the diverse cultural fabric of New South Wales.

Among the featured works are original paintings portraying key heroes of the Greek War of Independence, including a striking interpretation of Lord Byron, and tributes to the first Greeks in Australia, such as Katherine Crummer (née Plessos) – the first known Greek woman to settle in Australia.

The Hon Steve Kamper MP, Minister for Multiculturalism and hosting member, expressed his pride in presenting this exhibition: "*Ode to Freedom* stands as a powerful tribute to the enduring bonds between Greece and New South Wales. It is a privilege for our Parliament to showcase artwork that celebrates courage, democracy, and resilience – values integral to our multicultural society."

Artist Angela Kiki Konstantinopoulou said: "To have my work displayed at Parliament House is a deeply meaningful honour. Through this collection, I hope to illuminate pivotal moments in Greek history and highlight the shared journeys of Hellenism and Australia".

See *Ode to Freedom* between 9am and 5pm at the Parliament of New South Wales (6 Macquarie Street, Sydney) until 28 May 2026. Entry is free.

For more information about the exhibition visit:

<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/visit/events/Pages/ode-to-freedom.aspx>

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