



STREET ART



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In one of the world's great street art capitals, the city itself feels like a canvas.


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Since the 1990s street artists have filled Melbourne's laneways with colourful murals, stencils, paste-ups and mixed media. Open to the elements, many of the artworks are temporary so there's always something new to discover.

A great starting point is **Strachan Lane** 1, near the corner of Collins and Exhibition streets. Unassuming from the outside, this laneway is home to Harley House Bar and Grill and a number of large street art portraits including a mural by Melbourne artist Adnate at the entrance.

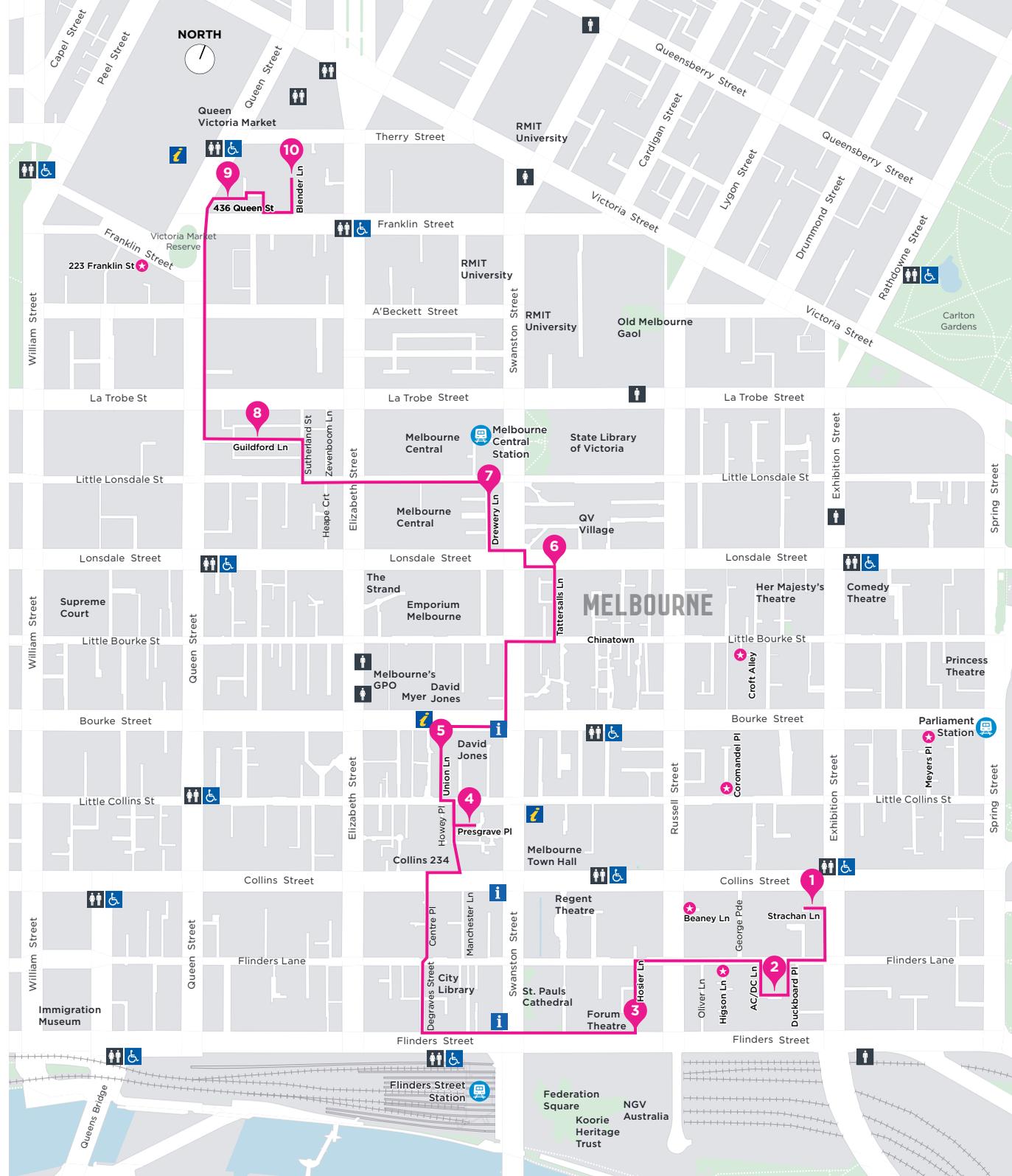
Walk along Flinders Lane and turn left into **Duckboard Place** 2, where walls full of gig posters and majestic murals accompany world-class dining including Pastuso, Tonka, Garden State Hotel and Lee Ho Fook.

Continue into **AC/DC Lane** 3, named in tribute to the iconic local band. The rock'n'roll spirit is strong here, with tributes to Malcolm and Angus Young and a concrete figure of AC/DC's original singer, Bon Scott, bursting through the brickwork.

Emerge onto Flinders Lane and cross Russell Street to find the street art haven **Hosier Lane** 3. Every inch of this laneway is covered with art, and it's likely you'll catch an artist creating a work-in progress. Grab a seat at MoVida or Bar Tini and watch it unfold, or help support the disadvantaged with a coffee from Good 2 Go.

Walk along Flinders Street passing St Paul's Cathedral and Flinders Street Station, and turn into Degraves Street, a bustling hub of cafes crammed tightly together. Admire the neon rainbow artwork before continuing on to Centre Place, one of Melbourne's most recognisable laneways.

Cross Collins Street and head right towards Howey Place, through the Collins234 building. Second on



your right you'll find **Presgrave Place** ♡4, home to some of Melbourne's most unique small-scale street art, with framed mixed-media works along one wall.

Continue along Howey Place and cross Little Collins Street to **Union Lane** ♡5. Running alongside the David Jones department store, this narrow lane packs a pop of colour and boasts an impressive volume of street art.

From the Bourke Street Mall, weave through the crowds on Swanston Street towards Chinatown. Here you'll find **Tattersalls Lane** ♡6, home to bars Section 8 and Ferdydurke, an abundance of cheap eateries, and street art on the walls of nearby buildings.

Skip across to **Drewery Lane** ♡7, off Lonsdale Street, where a mosaic of handmade tiles honours the lane's long-time resident, Legacy House. Created by the families and friends of war veterans, this evolving artwork, known as The Melbourne Legacy Centenary of Anzac Street Art Mural, is guaranteed to pluck at the heartstrings.

Head down Little Lonsdale Street, cross Elizabeth Street and turn into Sutherland Street, to find one of the newer street art showcases in the city. **Guildford Lane** ♡8 boasts many plants and vines, forging its status as a green laneway. Of note is artist Mike Makatron's 'greening' of an old electrical substation door, as well as the lane's cafe society vibe. Try Krimper and Brick Lane or book in for a special petting session at the Cat Cafe.

Turn right onto Queen Street towards the Queen Victoria Market and admire the artwork in the laneway just over Franklin Street, at **436 Queen Street** ♡9. Be sure to look up as large-scale murals cover both sides of the laneway.

Walk through the lane and back out to Franklin Street where you'll reach your final destination, **Blender Lane** ♡10, filled with bright and provocative artworks.



★ Meyers Place



♀ Blender Lane



♀ AC/DC Lane

OTHER STREET ART SITES

Melbourne is as unique and changeable as its urban artistic expression. Keep your eyes open as you're sure to make your own special discoveries along the way.

Keen to discover more hidden areas of the central city? Check out these additional sites of significance:

★ 223 Franklin Street

Opposite the Queen Victoria Market, this laneway is full of bright street art and home to a collaboration piece by portrait artists Adnate and Swaze.

★ Croft Alley

Access this winding laneway off Little Bourke Street in Chinatown to discover walls splashed with graffiti-style art and colourful murals.

★ Meyers Place

Find Mike Makatron's stunning Jungle Funk mural, commissioned for the city's *Green Your Laneways* project, at the Bourke Street end of Meyers Place.

★ Coromandel Place

Complete with green vines, planter boxes and speciality coffee from Oli & Levi, this lane features large scale works by artists Ghostpatrol and Al Stark.

★ Beaney Lane

This small, lesser known laneway is home to the Middle Eastern-inspired bar Spice Market, and offers a mix of graffiti-style art and striking murals.

★ Higson Lane

Running alongside the popular Chin Chin restaurant is an impressive tribute to some of the world's top chefs painted by Melbourne-based artist Heesco.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

📍 **Melbourne Visitor Hub at Town Hall**, open daily 9am-6pm

📍 **Melbourne Visitor Booth in Bourke Street Mall**, open daily 9am-5pm

📍 **Queen Victoria Market Visitor Hub**, open Tue and Thu 9am-2pm, Fri-Sun 9am-3pm

📍 **Fitzroy Gardens Visitor Centre**, open daily 9am-5pm

📍 **City Ambassadors**, Mon-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 11.30am-3pm

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The City of Melbourne acknowledges the contribution street art makes to the vibrancy of the city and its laneways and is continuing to work with various city communities, across a range of areas, to encourage a thriving legal street art ecology for the benefit of all.

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★ Croft Alley



♀ Tattersalls Lane