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WORLD PREMIERE LEGO[®] STAR WARS[™] LANDS IN MELBOURNE

The Star Wars galaxy will no longer be far, far away – with the Allan Labor Government announcing it has secured the blockbuster world premiere of the LEGO Star Wars: The Exhibition.

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos today joined Ryan 'Brickman' McNaught to announce the Labor Government has secured the world premiere and the Australian exclusive, to open at Melbourne Museum on May the fourth.

Bringing together two iconic universes in one unforgettable display, the exhibition is being built by Brickman – the LEGO Masters host and Australia's only LEGO Certified Professional, one of just 23 worldwide.

The exhibit will include the first life-sized *LEGO Star Wars* exhibition figure – the iconic X-Wing RED-5, which is made up of 64,759 bricks, taking 382 build hours.

The exhibition will be the largest touring LEGO brick exhibition in the universe, with more than eight million LEGO bricks and more than 25,000 hours of building and will be made in Melbourne at Brickman's Tullamarine headquarters.

The immersive experience is expected to draw thousands of visitors and is part of a blockbuster calendar of major events across Victoria next year – including the Australian Open, the men's and women's Ashes and the NGV's French Impressionism exhibition.

This galactic wonder is the latest superstar attraction at Melbourne Museum, which this year wowed visitors with *Titanic: The Artefact Exhibition* and *Victoria the T Rex*. Victoria's cultural institutions continue to deliver world-class events for the whole family.

Tickets for the exhibition go on sale in early 2025. To join the ticket waitlist, visit the Melbourne Museum website.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos

"We're bringing a Lego galaxy to Melbourne – this is an experience that will captivate fans of all ages and celebrate creativity on an unprecedented scale."

"This world premiere is another happy landing in Melbourne, a testament to Victoria's position as a leader in major cultural events. It'll back local businesses and jobs and create an unforgettable experience for visitors and locals."

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Metropolitan Sheena Watt

"This exhibition is bringing two iconic worlds brick by brick to one unforgettable display, and I'm thrilled that Melbourne will be the first to host it – a win for local fans and a fantastic boost for our visitor economy."

Quote attributable to Visit Victoria CEO Brendan McClements

"This exhibition not only brings together two iconic worlds but also boosts Victoria's visitor economy, adding to an amazing pipeline of events across the state next year."

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Quote attributable to Ryan 'Brickman' McNaught

"Building these iconic scenes and characters in LEGO Star Wars form is an extremely complex task – taking the humble LEGO brick and using it by the millions to translate into Star Wars builds and models at an epic scale the world has never seen before."

Quote attributable to Museums Victoria CEO and director Lynley Crosswell

'Museums Victoria welcomes to Melbourne this galaxy-first exhibition, which unites visitors across generations to experience creativity, learning and inspiration.'