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Fun-packed school holiday program at MoAD

A brand-new zine-making workshop heads a fun-packed program at the Museum of Australian Democracy (MoAD), Old Parliament House, for the upcoming school holidays.

The artist-led workshop teaches young people (8-15 years) to share their ideas through zines – small, hand-made, self-published magazines.   Currently enjoying a resurgence in the local arts scene, the low-fi zines have provided a way for alternative voices to be heard since the 1930s. Bookings are essential for the free two-hour workshop held daily from 12-16 April 2021.

MoAD's Zine Lounge re-opens on Thursday 1 April, offering young people a place to meet, read and create. If inspiration strikes, an array of creative materials on site will help young people write, sketch, stick or staple together booklets about what's going on in their world.

"There's something for everyone to see, discover and explore at MoAD – a fun day out for the whole family in one iconic building," said Brian Leadbeater, Acting Manager of Museum Experience. "We invite Canberrans and visitors alike to be surprised at what's inside this much-loved heritage landmark."

In an age of pithy one liners and text messages, *Yours Faithfully* is an interactive exhibition that invites visitors to rediscover the lost art of letter writing. Using vintage typewriters or simply pen and paper, visitors can write to anyone on any subject and pop it the on-site post box. Postage is on MoAD.

The family activities at the latest *Behind the Lines*: *The year in political cartoons –* *2020 A dog's breakfast* – will delight young visitors, as the grown-ups make sense of the mess and chaos of 2020. For young people, there is a family trail, a whoosh machine, and drawing activities with cartoonist Cathy Wilcox via video.

Visitors are encouraged to book a free museum pass in advance and can pick up the Museum Map with a Discovery Trail at the entrance of Old Parliament House.

Open daily 9am to 5pm.

More information at moadoph.gov.au

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