

Walsh Bay Arts Precinct

PROJECT UPDATE – DECEMBER 2020

We are very excited to announce that construction works at Wharf 4/5 are complete. After two years of construction, the transformed Wharf 4/5 is officially being handed over to Create NSW and its tenants – Sydney Theatre Company, Sydney Dance Company, Bangarra Dance Theatre, Sydney Philharmonia Choirs, Gondwana Choirs and The Song Company.

Since works began in October 2018, Richard Crookes Constructions have demolished existing facilities in Wharf 4/5 and undertaken extensive remediation works. Resident performing arts companies will now have purpose-built facilities and performance spaces. The visitor experience has also been greatly improved with new lifts and entries, more amenities and customer service points, contemporary

heritage interpretation and more spaces to take in the harbour vista.

The rejuvenation of Wharf 4/5 is a significant boost to the NSW arts sector and audiences longing to return to the performing arts, taking the Walsh Bay Arts Precinct one step closer to being Australia's premier arts destination. Construction at Pier 2/3 is well underway and will continue as scheduled.



Wharf 4/5, Arthur Vay from Sydney Site Photography

Whats new?

The redevelopment of Wharf 4/5 has provided the resident arts companies with rejuvenated, purpose-built rehearsal and performance spaces, and new patron amenities to enhance the visitor experience, including:

- » New theatres, studios and rehearsal spaces
- » Refurbishment to the Bar at the End of the Wharf
- » New commercial retail opportunities
- » Improved back of house facilities for all tenants
- » Improved accessibility with a series of stairs, external lifts and balconies designed as a contemporary interpretation of the original gantries

For more information:

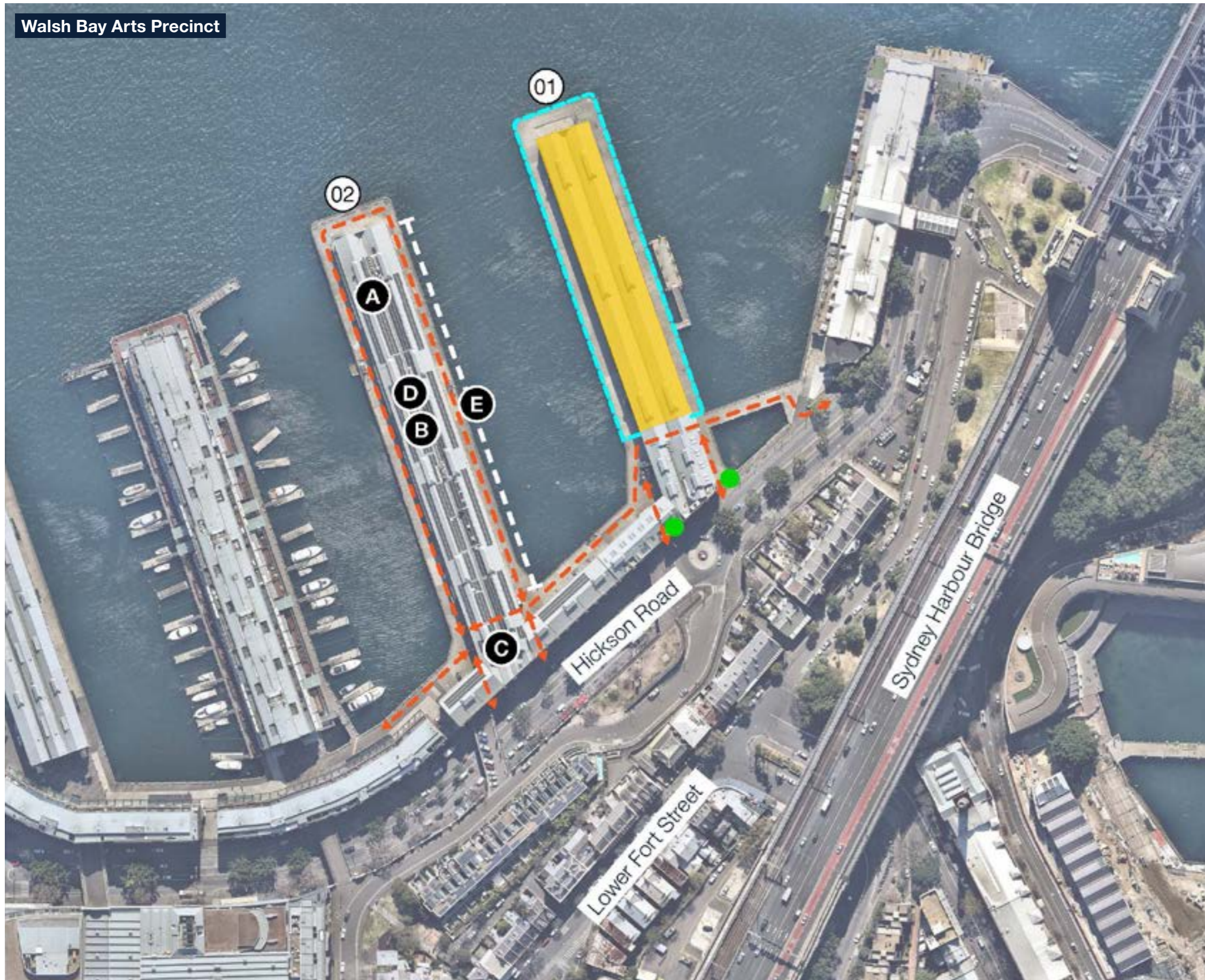
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- Construction site
 - Hoarding
 - Pedestrian access
 - Construction vehicle access point
 - 01 Pier 2/3
 - 02 Wharf 4/5
- GROUND LEVEL**
- A Bangarra Dance Theatre
 - B Sydney Dance Company
 - C Choirs Rehearsal Room
 - D Choirs Administration
- LEVEL 1**
- E Sydney Theatre Company

Access

The external walkway around Wharf 4/5 is now open, allowing everyone to walk along the foreshore. | The Pier 2/3 walkway will remain closed with construction continuing. However, access will be maintained through the Pier 2/3 breezeway, with traffic controllers to ensure pedestrians can cross safely.

Did you know?

- » Approximately 1,000 tonnes of structural steel has been installed in Wharf 4/5, ensuring its preservation for future generations.
- » 900 solar panels have been installed on the Wharf 4/5 roof.
- » Approximately 120 kilometres of electrical cabling has been installed in Wharf 4/5. That's the equivalent distance from Sydney's CBD to the top of the Blue Mountains!

What's happening next?

- » All Wharf 4/5 tenants have commenced moving back in and there will be noticeable activity over December:
 - Sydney Theatre Company have commenced fit-out of theatre seating.
 - Bangarra Dance Theatre and The Song Company have begun rehearsing with others soon to follow.
 - All tenants have begun fit-out of their administration spaces with most resuming occupation.
- » Structural steel strengthening and roof lifting works will continue at Pier 2/3.
- » Installation of new windows at Pier 2/3 will commence.
- » Installation of services at Pier 2/3 will commence.



Sydney Theatre Company entrance, Arthur Vay from Sydney Site Photography



A new Sydney Dance Company studio, Arthur Vay from Sydney Site Photography

Frequently asked questions

Who are the tenants of Wharf 4/5?

Wharf 4/5 is home to some of Australia's foremost performing arts companies, including Sydney Theatre Company, Sydney Dance Company, Bangarra Dance Theatre, Sydney Philharmonia Choirs, Gondwana Choirs and The Song Company.

When will operations and performances resume at Wharf 4/5?

Please check the tenants' websites for workshop and performance updates.

- » www.sydneytheatre.com.au
- » www.sydneydancecompany.com
- » www.bangarra.com.au
- » www.gondwana.org.au
- » www.sydneyphilharmonia.com.au
- » the.song.company

When will Wharf 4/5 reopen to the public?

The public are now able to walk around the external walkway. Please check the tenants' websites for updates on their return.

Who do I go to with an enquiry or complaint about construction?

For any complaints or enquiries about construction at Pier 2/3, please continue to contact Infrastructure NSW on 1800 717 648 or walshbayinfo@infrastructure.nsw.gov.au

Who do I go to with an enquiry or complaint about Wharf 4/5?

Create NSW has appointed a Precinct Manager to facilitate the operations of the arts precinct. Please visit create.nsw.gov.au/walshbayartsprecinct for contact details or email walshbayartsprecinct@create.nsw.gov.au.

What are the construction hours at Pier 2/3?

The Project is currently complying with the Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development – Construction Work Days) Order 2020.

The current construction hours are:
Monday to Friday: 7am – 6pm
Saturday: 7am – 5pm.

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