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MEDIA RELEASE **Turning the Sod for the *new*** **Sarah and Baillieu Myer Education Pavilion, and** **Graham Terrace** **at McClelland Sculpture Park+Gallery**

Chair, Susie Hamson, Director, Lisa Byrne and Trustees John Calvert-Jones AM, The Hon Stephen Charles QC, Jon Clements, Camilla Graves, Julie Kantor, Mike Kendall and Lisa Roet are excited to announce:

The official ‘Turning of the Sod’ of the new Sarah and Baillieu Myer Education Pavilion, and Graham Family Terrace at McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery will be at
10.30am, Friday 25 May, 2018.

What a wonderful way to celebrate Education Week. The theme for this year is “***Celebrating the Arts***” which makes this project timely, relevant and extra special for us at McClelland Sculpture Park and Gallery.

Construction will commence towards the end of May during Education Week – *Celebrating the Arts*, and due for completion by early 2019.

Designed by Kerstin Thompson Architects (KTA), the new ***Sarah & Baillieu Myer Education Pavilion*** and ***The Graham Terrace*** will be located at the rear of the gallery, surrounded by native bushland and leading out to a natural Amphitheatre. It will fit perfectly into McClelland’s core focus on Art, Nature and Environment and be an excellent addition to our current location.

The prime focus is life-long learning for all ages. As the ‘Home of Australian Sculpture in an Australian Setting’, McClelland is excited by the prospect of utilizing this space for education and public programs, community events, forums, day conferences and relevant creative activities. This addition will provide the required space to increase McClelland’s current Education Program that welcomes approximately 2,500 students annually.

McClelland sincerely thanks it’s generous supporters who have contributed directly towards this important project including Mr Baillieu Myer AC and Sarah Myer, Yugilbar Foundation, The Sidney Myer Foundation, The Graham Family, The Hugh Williamson Foundation and other generous donors. McClelland thanks Maudie Palmer, AO who secured this project in her role as Strategic Manager prior to the appointment of Lisa Byrne, who joined as Director of McClelland in January 2018.

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