

## MEDIA RELEASE

### Special Events

Melbourne Fringe  
*Presents*  
**FRINGE FURNITURE**

Now in its 21<sup>st</sup> year, **Fringe Furniture** has become an iconic part of the Melbourne Fringe Festival. This dynamic exhibition showcases contemporary furniture designs from over 100 new and established artists, furniture designers, interior designers, industrial designers and architects from across Australia.

The 2005 theme *Resurrection* inspires the re-invention of discarded and recycled materials via raw creativity, raw talent and raw experimentation. The exhibition will demonstrate reinvented, re-worked and renewed concepts for furniture. This theme entices designers to escape the constraints of the past, by embracing and reinterpreting traditional materials and forms.

This innovative and spectacular exhibition will again be held at the prestigious Melbourne Museum during the school holidays and offers free entry to all visitors.

**Fringe Furniture** offers high profile opportunities for artists and designers including the City Of Banyule's 2005 Acquisition Award, which sees the winning piece incorporated into the Council's collection. A number of other awards will highlight the variety of emerging, contemporary design innovations.

Inspired by Frank Gehry's Wiggle Chair, Fringe Furniture and VISY presents **Wiggle Out Of This – 14 Hour Chair Project** on October 1 and 2. Established architects and interior designers must create and construct a chair out of cardboard within the challenging time-frame of 14 hours, over 2 days. The public are invited to watch the construction process and once complete the chairs will be on display as part of Fringe Furniture exhibition.

Audiences are encouraged to talk to all exhibiting designers on site about their work. The public are invited to join furniture designers and makers at the accompanying forum. The Development, Design and Delivery Forum will be presented by **Fringe Furniture's** key event sponsors, and aims to underline the value of good design, while uncovering some of the business processes involved in delivering a retail or manufacture-ready work. The forum will be held on Monday 3 October at the Melbourne Museum Theatre.

To register, please contact Fringe Furniture Producer Marisia Lukaszewski. Ph: 03 8412 8788 or email: [marisia@melbournefringe.com.au](mailto:marisia@melbournefringe.com.au)

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### LISTING INFORMATION

**Venue:** Melbourne Museum

**Exhibition Dates:** 23 September – 9 October

**Forum Date:** 3 October

**Tickets:** FREE

**Times:** 10:00am – 5:00pm

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