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## Professor Willoughby's Last Robot Join our interactive book launch and exhibition

**The launch of the children's picture book Professor Willoughby's Last Robot will be celebrated with an interactive exhibition at Gasworks Arts Park. The exhibition features original art from the picture book and a range of fun and exciting exhibits, while children can participate in robot building workshops with Luke C Jackson (author) and Antoine Toniolo (illustrator). Workshop dates/times can be obtained from the venue. Admission is free.**

In a secret underground laboratory, a little robot attempts to unlock the mystery of his missing creator, Professor Willoughby, with the help of five robotic friends of his own invention.

Professor Willoughby's Last Robot is a richly illustrated picture book that allows children to see the world through the eyes of the robots. As these robotic explorers learn about the world around them, they discover the importance of play, imagination, determination and teamwork.

This book launch and exhibition features original art from the book and a range of fun and exciting exhibits that immerse children in the world of the robots. Children are also invited to participate in robot building workshops with Luke C Jackson (author) and Antoine Toniolo (illustrator). Workshop dates/times can be obtained from the venue. Admission is free.

About the creators:

Luke has written four novels for teenagers and has always prided himself on being able to bring to life unusual stories and characters. Professor Willoughby's Last Robot is his first story for younger readers. He began working on the book one evening after he was approached by a small band of metallic wanderers who needed his help.

Antoine is a visual artist whose work has been exhibited in Australia and New York. All artwork included in Professor Willoughby's Last Robot has undergone a stringent selection process, with only the finest, most accurate paintings gaining the robots' stamp of approval.

<http://www.robotales.com>

### Professor Willoughby's Last Robot

#### VENUE

Gasworks Arts Park - Foyer  
21 Graham St  
Albert Park, Victoria 3206

DATES: 28 Sept-9 Oct  
TIME: 9.00am - 5.30pm

#### TICKETS

FREE

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