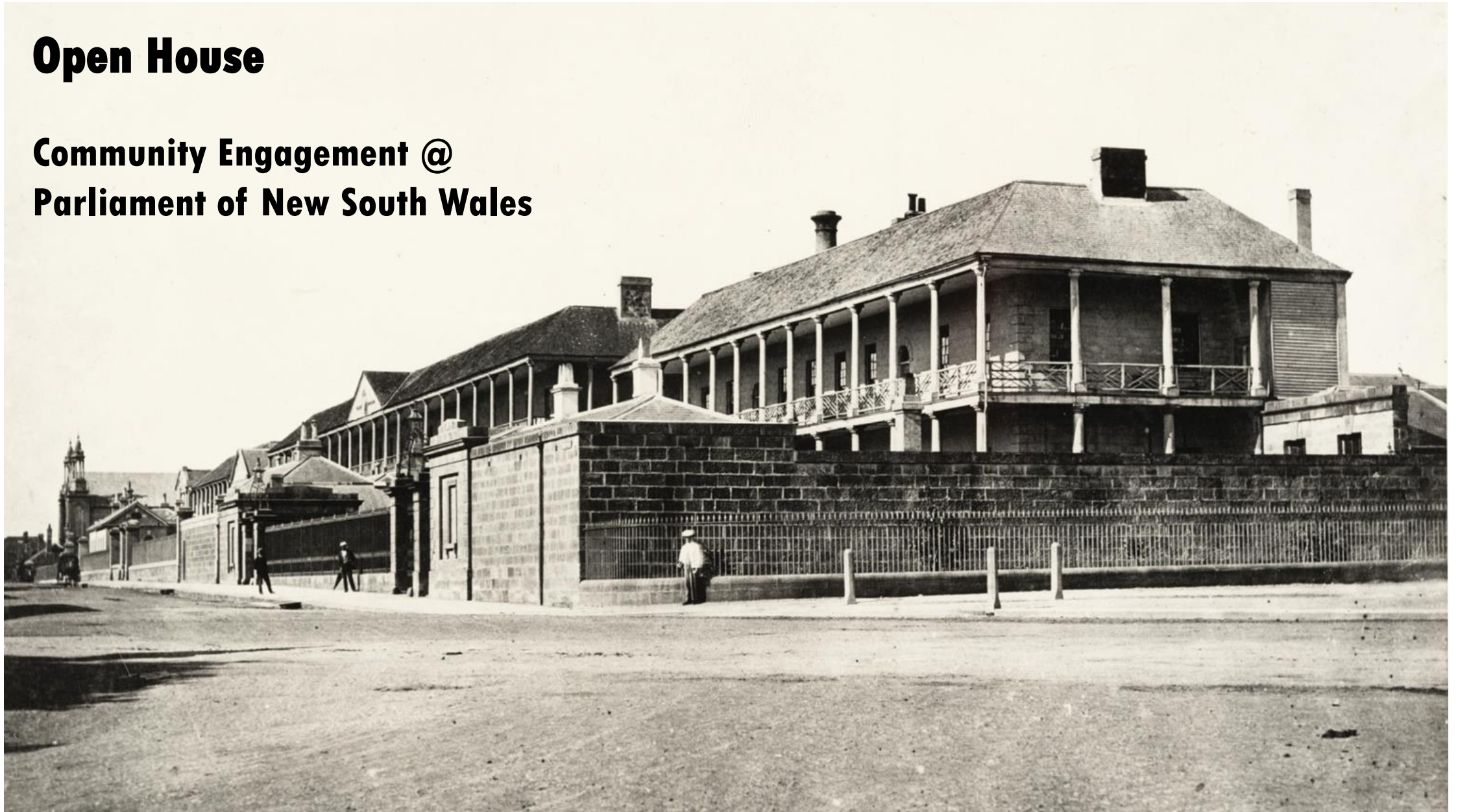
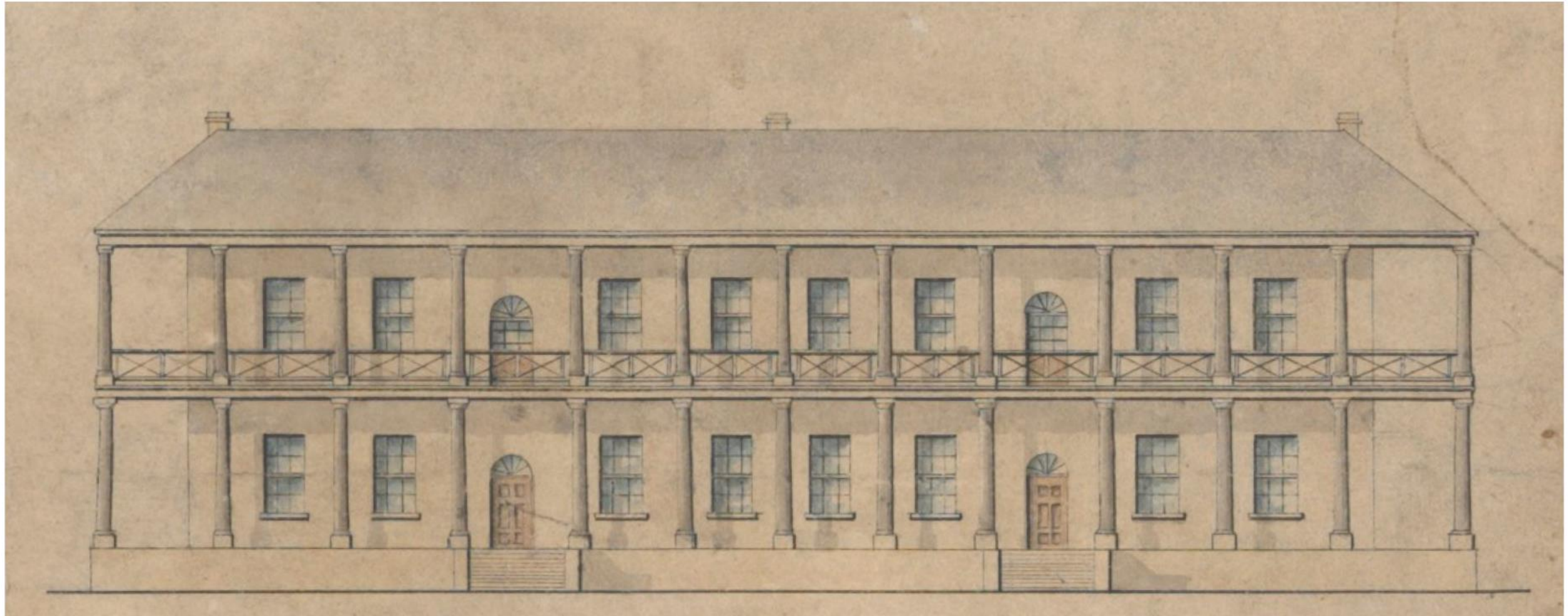


Open House

Community Engagement @ Parliament of New South Wales



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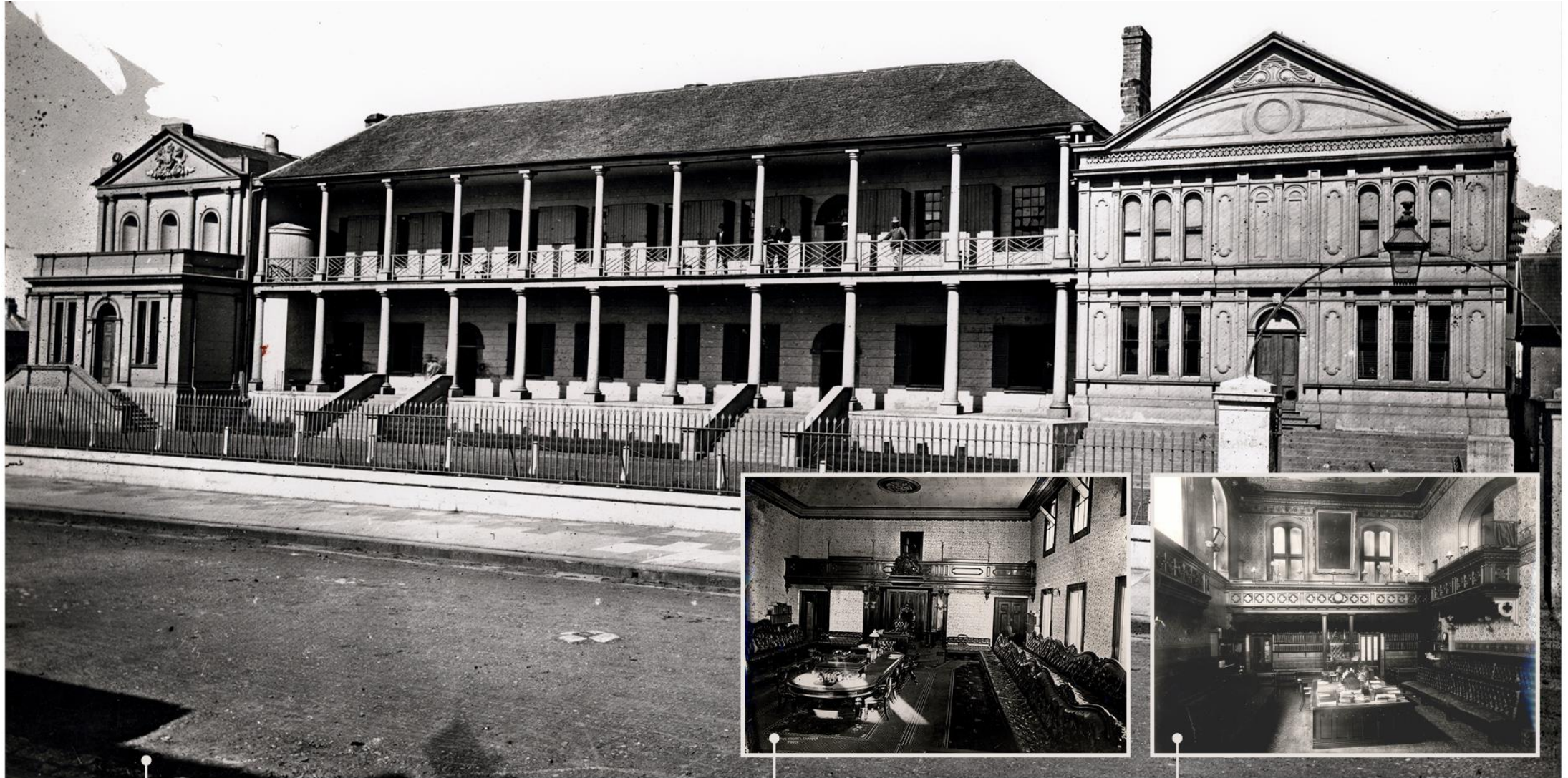


1848

1848
The building in 1848 showing
the then Legislative Council

1860

1864
Macquarie Street c. 1864 showing St Stephens Church,
Parliament House and Sydney Hospital.



1870

1870
New South Wales Parliament House
showing both parliamentary chambers

1871
The Legislative Council Chamber

1890

1892
The Legislative Assembly Chamber





Family Fun Day



Family Fun Day 2022 at the Parliament of New South Wales
Friday 7 Oct 10am - 3pm **Where to go and what to do!**

What?	Where?	When? (and for how long?)
Cartoon Workshop with Eric Lobbecke	Theatre	Every 30 minutes from 11am; last session begins 1.30pm (session takes around 20 minutes)
Craft Activities	Jubilee Room	10am - 3pm
Mock hearing - learn about NSW Parliament committees	Macquarie Room	Every 30 minutes from 10am; last session begins 2.30pm (session takes around 20 minutes)
Tour of the Legislative Assembly	Legislative Assembly chamber	Every 30 minutes from 10.30pm; last session begins around 20 minutes
Tour of the Legislative Council	Legislative Council chamber	Every 30 minutes from 10.15am; last session begins 2.45pm (session takes around 20 minutes)
Vote for me! Learn how to vote with the NSW Electoral Commission	Fountain Court	10am - 3pm
Democracy Sausage (\$4 for a sausage, vegetarian option also available)	Speaker's Garden	EAT** When? 11.30am - 2.30pm

* AUSLAN interpreters available upon request. Please see one of our friendly staff.
 ** The public café, located just off the Fountain Court is also open from 9.30am to 3pm.





Partnerships



Parliament of NSW is offering a unique tour as part of *History Week 2022*, held by The *History Council of New South Wales* between 3 – 11 September 2022.

Walk. Talk. Make. Preserve. History.

Learn how our parliament is a living, breathing, historical artefact of the past based on the Westminster system of government, and how it links us to the early history and establishment of the colony. In a rare opportunity to walk beyond its public areas, the Parliament opens its doors to reveal traditions and artefacts that have been preserved for the people of NSW.

A tour of the parliament and its chambers will introduce you to significant historical figures and parliamentarians, traditions, and ceremony. Hear stories from the NSW Parliament, peek into rarely seen rooms and learn about remnants of long-held traditions linking back to British origins. See items belonging to the archive, the book repository, and meet staff and experts from these areas.

Learn why the Legislative Assembly is green and the Legislative Council is red; why we have two houses of Parliament; how traditions are adhered to in the chambers; where the first parliamentary meetings were held; and why there is a separate women's gallery in the Legislative Assembly.

Highlights of the tour include the chambers and the rarely seen Speaker's and President's Dining rooms, treasures from the Parliamentary Library and Archives collections including books donated and signed by Queen Victoria, and to top off the night, a Parliament-themed cocktail will be served with canapes straight from historic parliamentary menus.

When: 8 September
Time: 5.15pm for 5:30 pm start
Conclusion: 7:30pm
Location: Parliament NSW, Macquarie Street Sydney

Feedback

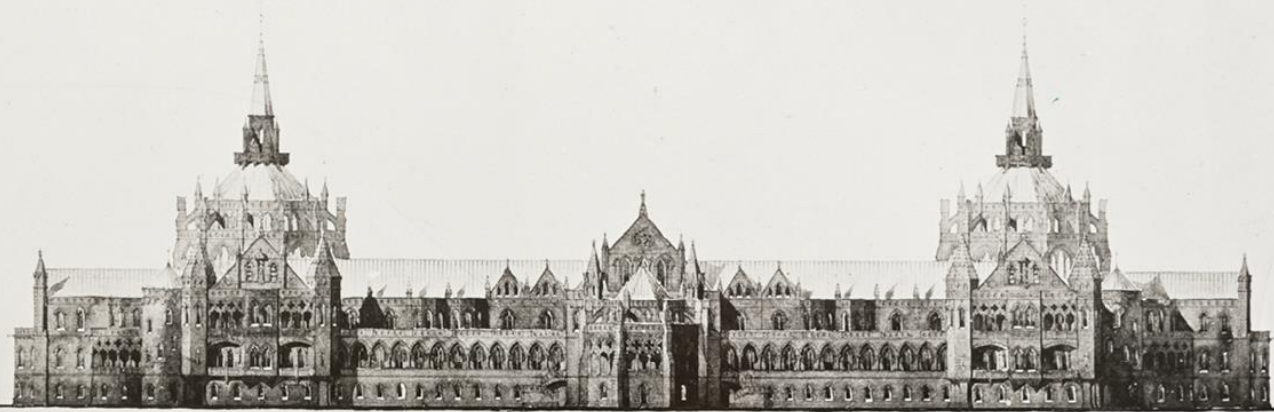
- **“Interesting way of introducing parliament into the conversation.”**
- **“Got valuable information that how both houses of Parliament of NSW works, how legislatures sits and how the business of houses is carried on. Unless you see, you can never know exactly.”**
- **“It was really for families i.e. kids including elders. The attendance, ambience, helpdesk courtesy, food everything was marvellous.”**
- **“It was a great mix of entertainment, education and hands-on activities that let children learn by taking part. It really helped my daughter understand democracy and parliament, which is a difficult thing to explain in the abstract.”**
- **“We weren't sure what it would be like, and were apprehensive it would be interesting to our younger kids. Everyone enjoyed different parts, and it was an extremely positive experience. Thank you for creating such an opportunity.”**
- **“Good to see inside parliament house.”**
- **“Very informative event, better to offer it on weekends as well.”**
- **“Surely the Politicians don't drink that red wine.”**



Elevation to Macquarie Street



End Elevation



Elevation to Outer Domain

1860s – 1890s

1860
William Henry Lynn's winning design
of the 1860 design competition



1860s – 1890s

1897

Proposal for New Parliament House: options in three different architectural styles - artist's impressions of view from Macquarie Street.



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