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24 hour Dalí: from Dusk 'til Dawn

The National Gallery of Victoria has announced extended opening hours for the final week of the *Salvador Dalí: Liquid Desire* exhibition, with huge crowds anticipated.

On Wednesday 30th September, Thursday 1st October and Friday 2nd October, *Salvador Dalí: Liquid Desire* will be open until 9pm for **art after dark**. Visitors can see the exhibition and enjoy free entertainment, a glass of wine and a bite to eat.

And in a first for the Gallery, the NGV will open for **24-hour Dalí** on Saturday 3rd October when the exhibition will be open all night. Visitors will also be able to enjoy dinner in Persimmon Restaurant on Saturday night or come in for breakfast from 6am on Sunday 4th October.

To coincide with **24-hour Dalí**, visitors between midnight and 10am can take advantage of a 2-for-1 ticket offer.

Dr Gerard Vaughan, Director, NGV said the exhibition had proved enormously popular and urged visitors to take up this last minute offer.

"Nearly 250,000 people have already seen *Salvador Dalí: Liquid Desire* since it opened at the beginning of June. Due to this success, the NGV will open its doors for extended periods during the last week of the exhibition including 24-hour opening, giving all Dalí fans a last minute chance to see the show.

"We hope to see Melbourne's night owls out in force! I encourage anyone who hasn't seen the exhibition to visit the NGV late at night (or very early in the morning) for this special opportunity. 24 hour Gallery access is a great idea for a cosmopolitan city like Melbourne and if it works, we will do it again!" said Dr. Vaughan.

Salvador Dalí: Liquid Desire is the first comprehensive retrospective of the work of Salvador Dalí ever to be staged in Australia and is exclusive to the National Gallery of Victoria as the sixth exhibition in the Melbourne Winter Masterpieces series.

The exhibition brings together more than 200 stunning works by Salvador Dalí in all media including painting, drawing, watercolour, etchings, sculpture, fashion, jewellery, cinema and photography.

Salvador Dalí: Liquid Desire is organised by the National Gallery of Victoria with the Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí, Figueres, Spain and the Salvador Dalí Museum in St Petersburg, Florida.

Admission fees apply: Adult \$23.00 / Concession \$18.00 / Children \$11.00 / Family \$60.00
Students receive \$11 exhibition entry between 4pm Saturday 3 October and 10am Sunday 4 October
2-for-1 tickets between midnight and 10am (full priced adult tickets only)

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