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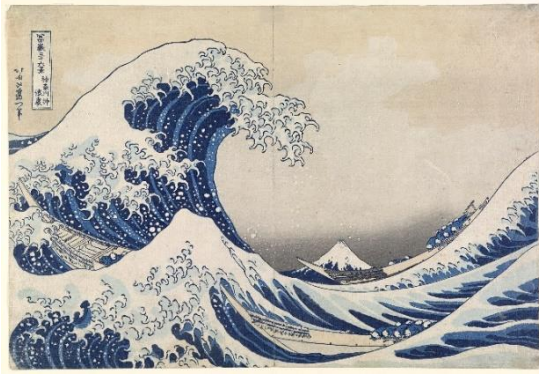
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## High tide for *Hokusai*: NGV extends major exhibition

NGV International | Until Sunday 22 October 2017 | Admission fees apply



The National Gallery of Victoria's major exhibition, *Hokusai*, which celebrates one of Japan's most influential, prolific and popular artists, Katsushika Hokusai (1760 – 1849), has been extended until Sunday 22 October.

Due to popular demand, the exhibition will also be open until 7pm on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October.

*Hokusai* is the first major presentation in Australia of the artist and features more than 170 works, including two prints of Hokusai's iconic image, *The great wave off Kanagawa*, which have been especially reunited for this

exhibition 180 years after they were created.

'We have been delighted that this landmark exhibition has been so popular among visitors to the Gallery. By extending the season, we hope even more people will take the opportunity to view one of the most comprehensive presentations of Hokusai's work to be held anywhere in the world, generously on loan to the NGV from the Japan Ukiyo-e Museum,' said Tony Ellwood, Director, NGV.

The exhibition includes the complete sets of Hokusai's five career-defining woodblock print series – all produced by the artist during his seventies and rarely on display in their totality. In addition to Hokusai's revered woodblock prints, the exhibition also features rare paintings on silk that have never before been seen in Australia and hand-printed books that include all fifteen volumes of *The Hokusai Manga*.

*Hokusai* has been produced by the NGV in a major international collaboration with the Japan Ukiyo-e Museum, which houses the world's largest and oldest collection of traditional Japanese woodblock prints.

*Hokusai* will be on display at NGV International, 180 St Kilda Road, Melbourne, Australia until Sunday 22 October 2017 and is open until 7pm on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October. Tickets and information are available from the NGV website [NGV.MELBOURNE](http://NGV.MELBOURNE).

Adult \$16 | Concession \$13 | Child (5 – 15 years) \$7 | Family (2 adults + 3 children) \$41

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### IMAGE CAPTION

**Katsushika Hokusai**

Japanese 1760–1849

*The great wave off Kanagawa* c. 1830

from the *Thirty-six views of Mt Fuji* series 1826–33  
colour woodblock

25.7 x 37.7 cm (image and sheet)

National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne

Felton Bequest, 1909 (426-2)