The City of Port Phillip is home to the most diverse group of commercial galleries and art organisations in Melbourne, united under the banner of ‘SOUTHSIDE ARTS’.

This location guide has been created to take you on a cultural tour of some of the best art venues in Victoria. Enjoy!

Find out more about SOUTHSIDE ARTS. Join our e-news through frontdesk@gasworks.org.au
1  Alliance Francaise de Melbourne
The Alliance Française Gallery program focuses on contemporary photography from around the world. It is not a gallery like others in that it acts as a partner to the artists. As well as an exhibition space, the gallery offers artists assistance with promotion and diffusion of their works. Entry is free.

2  Applause Art Gallery
Open 2001. Large hall space for exhibitions of large paintings, installations or sculptures. Fine venue for emerging artists, musicians and performances.

3  Artsfactory Gallery and Consultancy
Established since 1981, ARTSFACETE Gallery represents and exhibits artists who are actively promoting contemporary art, print makers and designers covering an extensive diversity of styles and media. It caters for an emerging scene, we also provide consultancy services offering on-site advice to individuals and businesses.

4  Artsfactory
Artsfactory is a St Kilda community based gallery that operates as part of the Centre for Contemporary Health Practice. Founded in 1999, artsfactory operates for and on behalf of its member artists to professionally promote and market their art and or advise on the management of their commercial activities.

5  Bright!
Bright is essentially a non-commercial environment - whilst primarily a gallery, it is also a space where all aspects of creativity can be explored with the backing of Bright’s resources. A feature of Bright’s gallery space is the amount of natural light. Bright is also a venue where young artists of all ages can enjoy the experience of exhibiting for the first time.

6  Garry McKean Gallery
There’s a sense of celebration when you enter the Garry McKean Gallery. Internationally renowned Australian artist Garry McKean houses his studio here. As well as his varied works and limited edition prints, McKean represents up to 50 other Australian artists. You will find stunning original shape designs, ceramic sculptures, jewelry to do for art and sculpture.

7  Gasworks Park
It’s a place of art, ideas and events, where people meet, explore and create. It’s a public open space located in urban landscape. Gasworks is a space that allows visitors to experience the engaging practices of the artists in residence. It is a unique cultural venue, Gasworks provides high quality opportunities for the community.

8  Gretz Gallery

9  International College of Professional Photography
Creative and innovative are two words that define the students from the International College of Professional Photography (ICPP). Located in the heart of Melbourne’s arts district in Govetts Street, South Melbourne. ICPP offers a range of full time and part time courses in Professional Photography and MultiMedia. The spacious college gallery and studio (dance), supports photography and artists and holds regular exhibitions of up to 10 images throughout the year.

10  Jackman Gallery
Jackman Gallery is a well established contemporary art gallery, housed in a New York style warehouse space. In addition to the exhibition side of the gallery, Jackman also hosts a large showroom where all works are on display and available to the public. The gallery specialises in figurative work and pop art.

11  Jewish Museum of Australia
The Jewish Museum of Australia creatively presents 4000 years of history, art and culture, including Australian Jews like the 21st Century. The museum features regular contemporary art exhibitions, paintings, sculpture, art films and multimedia displays. Limited edition prints by remounted Australian Jewish artists are available at the Museum Shop.

12  Lab X Gallery
View the freshest work from some of the best photographers and media based artists at Lab X Gallery. You will find cutting edge exhibits and exhibitions with the high energy exhibition and the convenience of long opening hours. housed in a cool architecturally innovative space, the gallery is associated with one of Melbourne’s leading photographic and digital processing facilities.

13  Linden - St Kilda Centre for Contemporary Arts
A leading contemporary arts venue, Linden encompasses a broad range of visual arts practices and media and can include sculpture, painting, printmaking, drawing, photography, videos, installation, multimedia and performance. Linden aims to re-define the role in the support and development of new innovative art practices through its exhibition, event and education program.

14  Metrocity Gallery
Metrocity Gallery is a spin off from Lab X Gallery. It is a space where emerging, experimental artists can present their work in different, unusual and exciting ways. Metrocity is built to challenge traditional exhibition structures and open up new possibilities for both the audience and the artist.

15  Middle Park Fine Art Gallery and Studio
Galerie owners Judith Stoney and Elizabeth Stoney own, and work in this unique gallery space. The gallery is well established contemporary fine art gallery, housed in a New York style warehouse space. The gallery features painting and sculpture, with a broad range of artists working in a variety of media. Located at 262-266 Park Street, South Melbourne - 3205.

16  Patrizia Autore Gallery
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17  Rogers and Doyle
Rogers and Doyle has established a unique space primarily to create greater interest in Australian artists but also to discover and examine all styles of the great talent here in Victoria.

18  St Kilda Bowling Club Studios
Established in the former St Kilda Bowling Club, the Club Studios are supported by RMIT. Philip Conard and provides professional work space for 25 artists working over a broad range of disciplines, including painting, sculpture, printmaking, drawing, photography, video installation, multimedia and performance. Various locations.

19  Victorian Tapestry Workshop
The world famous Victorian Tapestry Workshop is a living example of the modern practice of tapestry where weavers translate original works created for them by artists such as Reg Mombassa and David Larwill. Tours are conducted twice weekly and bookings are essential. Entry fees apply for tours and viewings.

20  Wagon Wheel
A small site on a yet another empty lot. The original building was a 1920’s weatherboard cottage, the cottage stands on a metal frame and a glass roof has been added to create a new space within the existing building. The cottage is now used as a community space for events and exhibitions.