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Melbourne Open House 2010 hits record 60 buildings

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Following its stunning success in 2009 Melbourne Open House will be held on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th July this year, giving visitors twice the opportunity to see twice as many buildings.

Melbourne Open House is a free event showcasing Melbourne's unique architectural heritage. Its aim is to foster an appreciation and understanding of the value of architecture, urban design and design excellence.

MOH spokesperson Robert Larocca said that 60 buildings are now part of the program, nearly double the 32 in 2009.

"The reaction from building owners and managers has been superb. Many of the most popular buildings from 2009 have returned and will be joined by many new ones.

"The event will be run over two days, allowing people to see more.

"The program features a mix of old and new, showcasing the very best and most interesting buildings in the CBD.

"There is even a building that has not been finished yet!

"When the program is released in mid June there will be a strong range of residential buildings for the first time. This will give Melbournians the chance to see the very best medium and high density housing, a style that will become increasingly important in housing the city's growing population," Mr Larocca concluded.

The 2010 program will be announced in the month before the event. The Victorian Government's State of Design Festival is the event partner of Melbourne Open House.

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