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## Human Rights Arts & Film Festival *I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE*

## 7 - 31 May

Guest curated by Anna Louise Richardson, 'I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE' explores the experience of migration and the 'outsider' in Australia. This powerful exhibition is presented in the special pop-up location of St Paul's Cathedral.



Olga Cironis, Wog (detail), 2014, archival pearl and gold leaf, 130 x 95 cm

Bringing together the work of Olga Cironis, Eva Fernández and Marziya Mohammedali this exhibition provides a visual exploration of three women's experiences in making and exploring a new home. Engaging artists whose works examine themes of identity and



dislocation, 'I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE' examines the Australian cultural landscape and its attitudes to welcoming or accepting difference. Embedded within the broader Australian narrative of xenophobia and privilege, this exhibition employs photography to consider alternative perceptions of home as a means of reassessing the politicised nature of ethnicity in Australia.

Presented in association with Melbourne's <u>Human Rights Arts & Film Festival</u> (7 to 21 May), which is devoted to exploring human rights issues through the arts.

**Exhibition:** 7 – 31 May 2015

Launch: Thursday 7 May, 6-8pm

**Location:** St Paul's Cathedral, corner Flinders and Swanston Streets, Melbourne **Hours:** Sun–Fri 8am–6pm, Sat 9am–4pm (please note the exhibition is not accessible

during cathedral services)

**Human Rights Arts & Film Festival Visual Arts Walking tours** Free walking tours with a HRAFF guide will explore the festival's visual arts program, including the artwork in 'I AM YOU ARE, WE ARE' (Saturday 16 May at 12pm and 3pm).

Chapter House Lane in St Paul's Cathedral Due to construction work in the Chapter House Lane laneway, this exhibition will be held in the special pop-up location of St Paul's Cathedral. St Paul's Cathedral is a long-term supporter of Chapter House Lane, providing a truly unique setting for 'I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE' in May.

Chapter House Lane is a non-profit contemporary art gallery in Melbourne. Find out more at <a href="mailto:chapterhouselane.org.au">chapterhouselane.org.au</a>. Contact us for media enquiries, interviews or images: Anna Metcalfe | 0422 715 650 | anna@chapterhouselane.org.au

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