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***NASA – A Human Adventure* to land at Queensland Museum in March**

Take a thrilling journey through space when *NASA – A Human Adventure* blasts into Queensland Museum, in an Australian first in March 2019.

Minister for the Arts and Minister for Science Leeanne Enoch said Queensland Museum was the first Australian museum to host *NASA – A Human Adventure*, the most comprehensive and extensive touring space flight exhibition in the world.

“*NASA – A Human Adventure*, opening 15 March 2019, follows the astounding story of space travel and the history of rocket science and space flight,” Minister Enoch said.

“This will be the largest ever exhibition hosted by Queensland Museum, both in terms of size and objects, and is the first to feature in Queensland Museum’s newly refurbished 1000 square metre exhibition space and spread across two levels.

“The exhibition coincides with a yearlong celebration of the 50th anniversary of the moon landing and is sure to be a drawcard for visitors from around Australia.

“With *NASA – A Human Adventure*, Queensland Museum continues to showcase the enormous impact of science and technology in our society,” she said.

Queensland Museum CEO and Director, Dr Jim Thompson said the opening of the exhibition will represent a new era for Queensland Museum in delivering quality exhibitions and galleries.

“The past 12 months have been an exciting time for Queensland Museum as we embarked on a period of redevelopment, delivering a number of exciting new gallery spaces including *SparkLab*, our new Science Centre experience and *Anzac Legacy Gallery*,” he said.

“The Museum will undergo further redevelopment as we prepare to host this major exhibition. Once this area is completed, Queensland Museum will be able to accommodate a huge array of exhibitions, with large footprints from around the globe, starting with *NASA – A Human Adventure*.”

Featuring more than 250 items, including original and space flown objects and scaled models and replicas, *NASA – A Human Adventure* will allow visitors to follow mankind’s exploration of space.

The exhibition tells the story of space travel from the artists and writers who dared to dream of what the future could hold to the early pioneers of space travel and engineering marvels that have changed the world and our exploration of space.

Highlights of the exhibition include several space-flown items, remarkable collection of space suits, and several full scale replicas including the front section of NASA’s iconic Space Shuttle, Lunar Rover, Mercury, Gemini and Apollo space crafts and Soviet robotic lunar rover Lunokhod.

Tourism Industry Development Minister Kate Jones said we are delighted to be partnering with Queensland Museum to bring *NASA – A Human Adventure* to Brisbane.



“Just as astronauts can witness and enjoy one of Queensland’s greatest treasures - the Great Barrier Reef - from space, we are bringing a little bit of space to Queensland through this exclusive exhibition,” Ms Jones said.

“*NASA – A Human Adventure*, along with the World Science Festival and our line-up of blockbuster sporting events will headline our events calendar for 2019.

“Tourism and Events Queensland’s *It’s Live! in Queensland* events calendar is worth \$780 million to the state’s economy in 2018 and events such as these continue to drive visitors to Queensland and grow our tourism economy,” Ms Jones said.

Showcasing the remarkable achievements of space travel, *NASA – A Human Adventure* will run at Queensland Museum from 15 March 2019.

Tickets now on sale at www.qm.qld.gov.au

Exhibition partners include Tourism Events Queensland and Channel Nine.

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About Queensland Museum Network

Queensland Museum is part of the Queensland Museum Network and the keeping place for the State Collection of 1.2 million objects and specimens, valued at more than \$551 million, and approximately 14 million research collection items. For more than 150 years Queensland Museum has grown alongside Queensland to inspire, enrich and empower communities.

About John Nurminen Events

John Nurminen Events B.V. is the Dutch subsidiary of John Nurminen Oy and it specialises in developing as well as producing large scale touring exhibitions. John Nurminen Events' blockbuster production is *NASA – A Human Adventure*, which tells a thrilling journey of the history of the NASA’s manned space flights and the Space Race.