

Manchester Unity Building: Events, Media Coverage and Historical Records

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Description:

Manchester Unity Building: Events, Media Coverage and Historical Records The Manchester Unity Building has an eventful history and has always attracted media attention. This page features a curate...

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Smile Solutions: Events, Media Coverage and Historical Records

Smile Solutions is based in one of Melbourne's best-known addresses — the Manchester Unity Building — and shares in the history and media attention this Art Deco landmark has attracted since it opened. This page collects coverage of the building across news articles, broadcast segments, video tours, and cultural features from 1932 to the present. When you visit us for dental care, you're walking into a building that has drawn photographers, journalists, and curious Melburnians for close to a century.

News coverage

2020s

- **29 September 2023** — ["I didn't need to try and check a pulse"](https://manchesterunitybuilding.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/I-didnt-need-to-try-and-check-a-pulse.pdf) (PDF) - **15 December 2022** — ["Celebrate the corner: iconic city building turns 90"](https://news.melbourne.vic.gov.au/celebrate-the-corner-iconic-city-building-turns-90/) — City of Melbourne - **10 November 2022** — ["Construction of the Manchester Unity Building dubbed the 'Melbourne Miracle'"](https://manchesterunitybuilding.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Construction-of-the-Manchester-Unity-Building-dubbed-the-Melbourne-Miracle.pdf) (PDF) - **1 March 2022** — ["Melbourne is still here, it hasn't fallen down"](https://www.theage.com.au/national/victoria/melbourne-is-still-here-it-hasn-t-fallen-down-city-workers-make-a-tentative-return-20220228-p5a07e.html) — The Age - **18 June 2021** — ["Melbourne's most beautiful buildings and iconic architecture"](https://whats.on.melbourne.vic.gov.au/article/melbournes-most-beautiful-buildings-and-iconic-architecture) — What's On Melbourne - **1 May 2020** — ["10 Gorgeous Art Deco Buildings Better Than Anything Gotham City Dreamed Up"](https://www.fodors.com/news/photos/10-gorgeous-art-deco-buildings-better-than-a-nything-gotham-city-dreamed-up) — Fodor's Travel

2010s

- **17 January 2019** — ["12 ways to become more cultured in Melbourne"](https://manchesterunitybuilding.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/12-ways-to-be-more-culture.pdf) (PDF) - **15 December 2018** — ["A pond full of eels: the world of the police informer"](https://www.theage.com.au/national/victoria/a-pond-full-of-eels-the-world-of-the-police-informer-20181212-p50lqu.html) — The Age - **12 April 2018** — ["Manchester Unity Building warns of Metro Tunnel damage"](https://www.theage.com.

au/national/victoria/manchester-unity-building-warns-of-metro-tunnel-damage-20180412-p4z970.html)
 — The Age - **12 May 2017** — ["Melbourne Myths & Legends"](<https://whatsonblog.melbourne.vic.gov.au/melbourne-myths-and-legends/>) — What's On Melbourne - **17 January 2016** — ["Restoring the elegance of the Manchester Unity Building penthouse"](<http://www.domain.com.au/news/labour-of-love-restoring-the-elegance-of-the-manchester-unity-building-penthouse-20151221-glrb6d/>) — Domain - **29 July 2014** — ["Award is recognition of impact we have"](<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3f9Jy4YYml>) — YouTube video - **September 2013** — ["Perspective - Kia Pajouhesh"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/04/Perspective-Dr-Kia-Pajouhesh.pdf>) (PDF) - **December 2013** — ["An insider's guide to Melbourne"](<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/life/travel/an-insiders-guide-to-historic-melbourne/news-story/60ae100f981c059b7d1edec95dc8d315>) — The Australian - **10 May 2013** — ["Mothers in Unity"](<http://www.theage.com.au/national/melbourne-life/hearts-open-for-old-georges-20130509-2jahj.html>) — The Age - **October 2012** — ["The great dame of Melbourne's skyline turns 80"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/04/Leonard-Joel-Grand-Dame-of-Melbournes-skyline.pdf>) — Leonard Joel (PDF) - **28 September 2012** — [Derryn Hinch 'Drive' Show](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/3AW.mp4>) — 3AW audio - **28 September 2012** — ["Have a deco at a classic"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/HS-28912-MUB-.pdf>) — Herald Sun (PDF) - **27 September 2012** — ["Unity in Smiling"](<http://www.theage.com.au/national/its-a-horse-of-course-bayside-20120927-26nwj.html>) — The Age - **23 September 2012** — ["Party time to mark milestone"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/Confidential.pdf>) — Confidential (PDF) - **17 September 2012** — ["Let there be light"](<http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/let-there-be-light-for-manchester-unitys-brighter-future-20120916-260ll.html>) — The Age - **September 2012** — ["Manchester Unity all lit up again"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/04/Art-Deco-Societe-MUB-all-lit-up-again.pdf>) — Art Deco Société (PDF) - **26 August 2012** — ["Inside the Manchester Unity Building"](<http://www.ladymelbourne.com.au/2012/08/inside-the-manchester-unity-building/>) — Lady Melbourne blog

2000s and earlier

- **March 2005** — ["Fighting decay"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/04/Melbourne-Weekly-Fighting-decay.pdf>) — Melbourne Weekly (PDF) - **1 September 1932** — ["New shopping centre opens today"](<https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=MDQ-9Oe3GGUC&dat=19320901&printsec=frontpage&hl=en>) — Google News Archive (original 1932 newspaper)

Notable patronage

The Manchester Unity Building has drawn well-known Australians through its doors for decades, and that history is something we're glad to be part of. Two documented visits stand out in particular:

- **13 August 2012** — ["Barry Humphries gets his teeth into art deco beauty"](<http://www.smh.com.au/national/melbourne-life/barry-gets-his-teeth-into-art-deco-beauty-20120812-242nk.html>) — Sydney Morning Herald - **19 July 2012** — ["Barry Humphries' farewell show"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/Barry-Humphries-Farewell-Show.pdf>) (PDF)

Tours and video features

If you want a sense of the building before your first visit, or you're just curious about its architecture, the videos and tours below are worth your time. The building holds up well on camera.

- **May 2024** — ["Manchester Unity Building Audio Guided Tour"](<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGcvX8Vxsgo>) — YouTube - **6 July 2016** — ["15 Awesome Things To Do In Melbourne This Weekend"](<https://www.theurbanlist.com/melbourne/a-list/15-awesome-things-to-do-in-melbourne-this-weekend95>) — The Urban List - **Summer 2016–2017** — ["My Melbourne - Jo Stanley"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/03/Melbourne-Official-Visitor-Guide-MUB.pdf>) — Melbourne Official Visitor Guide (PDF) - **3 August 2012** — ["Manchester Unity Building tour"](<https://architectureau.com/articles/manchester-unity-tour/>) — Architecture AU - **11 August 2012** — ["Manchester Unity Building"](<http://architectureau.com/articles/manchester-unity-building/#img=5>) — Architecture AU - **5 August 2011** — ["Three buildings from Melbourne Opera House"](<http://architectureau.com/articles/three-different-buildings-and-three-wonderful-experiences/>) — Architecture AU - **25 July 2011** — ["A sneak peek of the Manchester Unity Building"](<http://www.homelife.com.au/lifestyle/blogs/a-sneak-peek-of-the-manchester-unity-building-melbourne>) — Homelife - **July 2011** — ["Hundreds turned up to view the city treasures"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/channel9-mub-video.mp4>) — Channel 9 video - **July 2011** — ["Absolutely Melbourne"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/Ch-7-Absolutely-Melbourne20-6-09.mp4>) — Channel 7 video - **July 2009** — ["Melbourne Open House"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/Melbourne-Open-House-Ch9-19-7-09.mp4>) — Channel 9 video

The building as a location

The Manchester Unity Building has been photographed, filmed, and written about consistently since it opened in 1932. Photographers and feature writers keep coming back to it, and the coverage below gives a reasonable sense of why. It's an unusual place to run a dental practice, and we don't take that for granted.

- **December 2022** — ["Timeless Charm"](<https://manchesterunitybuilding.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Selin-Magazine-Issue-23-Vol.-2-December-2022.pdf>) — Selin Magazine Issue 23 Vol. 2 (PDF) - **March 2022** — [Manchester Unity Building – Bridal Fashion Shoot](<https://melbourne.weddingandbride.com.au/manchester-unity-building-bridal-fashion-shoot-issue-15/>) — Wedding & Bride Magazine Issue 15 - **October 2012** — ["A Moment in Time"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2016/11/Melboure-Bridal.pdf>) — Melbourne Bridal (PDF) - **September 2013** — ["Our City - Dr Kia Pajouhesh"](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fmF_8U8XOrw) — YouTube video - **November 2004** — ["Art deco oasis in the heart of the city"](<https://arc-mub.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2017/04/ADP-Art-deco-oasis-in-the-heart-of-Melbourne.pdf>) — ADP (PDF)

To visit the Manchester Unity Building in person and see our team whilst you're there, [book your consultation today](<https://manchesterunitybuilding.com.au/events-media/>).

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