

Committee rebrands as "ladies"

The Lady Mayoress's Committee has reformed and rebranded after being cut by the City of Melbourne in June.

The charity, now known as the Melbourne Ladies Committee Inc, will have its inaugural event at 2pm on April 26 at the Bishopscourt in East Melbourne. It will include a recital from the Australian National Academy of Music.

Committee treasurer Gabriella Stefanetti said the charity would have many events this year continuing its long tradition.

The Lady Mayoress's Committee was formed in 1959. In recent years it relied on the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation (LMCF) for its administration.

Ms Stefanetti told *CBD News* at the time the committee was "blindsided" by the LMCF's withdrawal of support.

"She said they were no longer behind us. Everyone was just so stunned. The way they did it really upset us," she said.

Ms Stefanetti said the independent charity was ready to continue working for those in need.

\$250,000 for pop-up shelters

Property industry collective TEN Women raised more than \$250,000 for homeless women at a high-profile event attended by 500 industry leaders and opened by Lord Mayor Sally Capp on March 1.

The luncheon at Myer Mural Hall raised more than \$150,000 through event sponsorship and a further \$100,000 through pledges and a live auction.

TEN Women is led by 10 senior women from



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Melbourne's property and construction industry. Co-founder Fiona Dunster said the event was aimed at networking "in a meaningful way for a very worthy cause".

"That we were able to raise \$250,000 in the process is a great example of how meaningful change can be driven by women, for women," she said.

High Line park idea is "progressing"

The City of Melbourne has developed a high-level concept plan in response to Lord Mayor Sally Capp's pre-election promise of a "high line" park.

Cr Capp's concept promised: "A new tract of public space ... would run from Birrarung Marr to Southern Cross Station."

"The park, modelled on New York's iconic

High Line park, would see decking installed to create parkland precincts at Federation Square, Flinders St Station and in front of Ethad [now Marvel] Stadium."

The concept was later extended to Ron Barassi Snr Park in Docklands.

Asked by *CBD News* for an update on progress at the March 19 Future Melbourne Committee, Cr Capp invited the council's director of city strategy and place, Claire Ferres Milles, to explain.

Ms Ferres Milles said: "We have had a co-

design charrette with a series of stakeholders that either own land and/or manage land along the north bank of the river and also through Docklands and that's included a series of state government agencies including Parks Victoria, Development Victoria and the Department of Energy, Land and Water and a series of council officers and some consultants and design experts."

"And that was really exploring what the opportunities could be. And from that co-design charrette, we've developed a very high-level concept plan."

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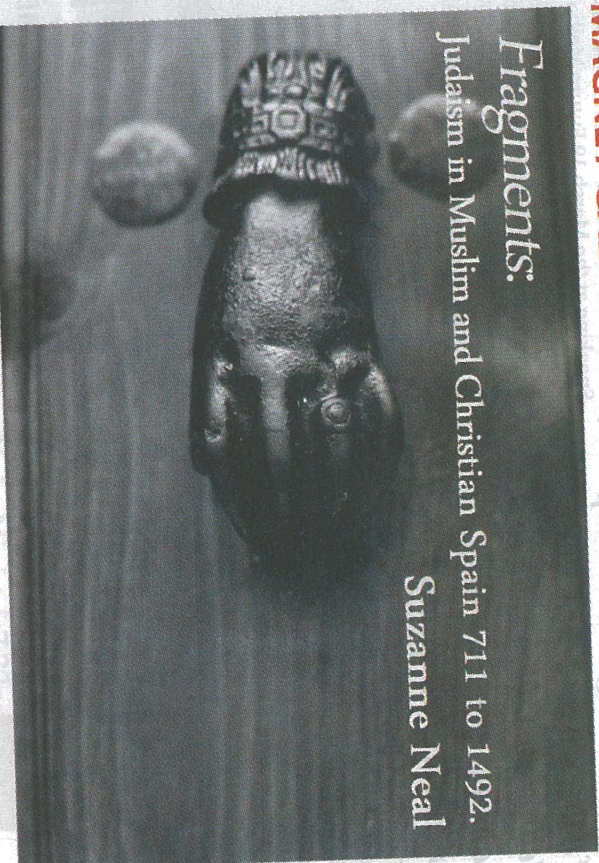
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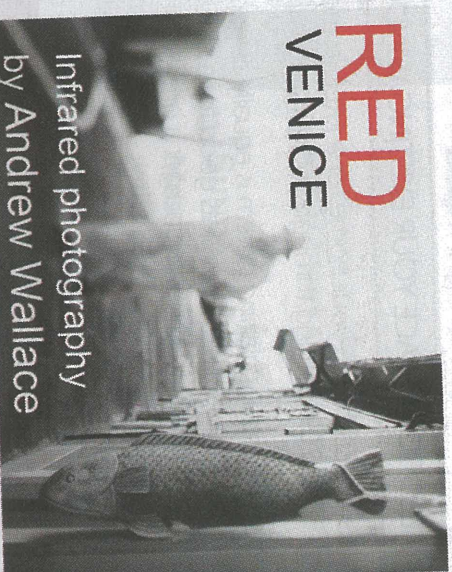
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