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Museum of Brisbane Recognised as Finalist at Queensland Gallery and Museum Awards

Museums & Galleries Queensland (M&G QLD) proudly announced the recipients of the **2015 Gallery and Museum Achievement Awards** (GAMAA) at a gala event hosted by The University of Queensland Art Museum on Thursday 19 November 2015.

Museum of Brisbane was recognised as a **Finalist** for its outstanding achievement in the category of 'Projects: Organisations with Paid Staff' **for** its exhibition ***Costumes from the Golden Age of Hollywood***. In awarding the Museum as a Finalist in the category, the judges recognised the Museum's skill in bringing a cinematic and nostalgic story to life.

Developed by Museum of Brisbane, this exhibition offered a rare glimpse into a glamorous and romantic bygone era of filmmaking. The exhibition featured 69 garments, drawn from the collection of Nicholas Inglis, a Brisbane resident with a personal family connection to Brisbane's picture theatre past.

Costumes from the Golden Age of Hollywood was the first time these costumes have been exhibited as a collection. Museum of Brisbane used the collection to create a grand narrative about the era—the stars, the films, the genres, the designers, the importance of costumes, the end of an era and its enduring legacy. Each costume had its story displayed with it, as well as an original film still of the costume being worn on screen.

Museum of Brisbane worked with a textile conservator to have the garments prepared for the exhibition to showcase the collection at its best.

Presented by Museums & Galleries Queensland, the **GAMAA celebrate the outstanding achievements, professional excellence, and innovation of Queensland's museum and gallery sector**. It also recognises the valuable contribution that our State's museums and

galleries make to enriching their local and wider communities, and honours the extraordinary commitment and talents of paid professionals and volunteers working in the industry.

M&G QLD Executive Director, Rebekah Butler, said, "It is with great pleasure that M&G QLD congratulates the winners and finalists of the 2015 GAMAA. We commend all those who nominated for their remarkable achievements and contribution to the sector. This year's awards recognise a range of inspirational people and projects."

For a full list of GAMAA recipients go to the M&G QLD website at www.magsq.com.au.

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