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## Cyclone Tracy 50 Year Anniversary: Support MAGNT's Annual Appeal and Help Preserve Cyclone Tracy's History

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is proud to announce its Annual Appeal in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Cyclone Tracy, a defining moment in Darwin's history. As the custodian of the world's largest collection of Cyclone Tracy objects, imagery and stories, MAGNT is dedicated to preserving the memory of this significant natural disaster.

Cyclone Tracy, which struck Darwin in 1974, resulted in the loss of 66 lives, the destruction of 70% of buildings and rendered most of the city's population homeless. With the 50th anniversary approaching in December 2024, MAGNT reflects on the evolution of Darwin and the profound impact this disaster had on its resilient residents.

To mark this milestone, MAGNT is planning a bold new exhibition titled "50 Years On." This exhibition will complement the existing Cyclone Tracy exhibition, offering a fresh perspective on the legacy of the disaster and the experiences of those who survived and assisted in the aftermath. Untold stories and new perspectives will be featured, including the environmental impact, the experiences of children during the disaster, the response of the Australian Defence Forces and the support received from people worldwide.

The Annual Appeal aims to raise funds for the development of the "50 Years On" exhibition, ensuring that MAGNT continues to tell and interpret this multifaceted story for future generations.

MAGNT, an independent and not-for-profit organisation, relies on donor generosity to deliver ambitious exhibitions and programs that share Territory stories with the world. For donations of \$100 or more, supporters can have their name displayed in the Cyclone Tracy exhibition and play a vital role in sharing this unique Territory story with visitors and future generations.

To donate and become a part of Cyclone Tracy's history, please visit [www.magnt.net.au/agc2023](http://www.magnt.net.au/agc2023)

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### About the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is the Northern Territory's premier cultural and scientific institution. It offers a dynamic and diverse arts, science and cultural program to more than 300,000 visitors each year. MAGNT operates seven venues on Larrakia Country (Darwin) and Arrernte Country (Alice Springs), and is set to open its eighth venue, the Northern Territory Art Gallery, in Darwin's CBD in 2025. MAGNT is known for its collections and expertise in Aboriginal cultures, natural sciences, histories and arts across northern and central Australia and our neighbours to the north. It is also the home of the annual Telstra NATSIAA – the most significant Indigenous and richest art award of its kind in Australia.

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