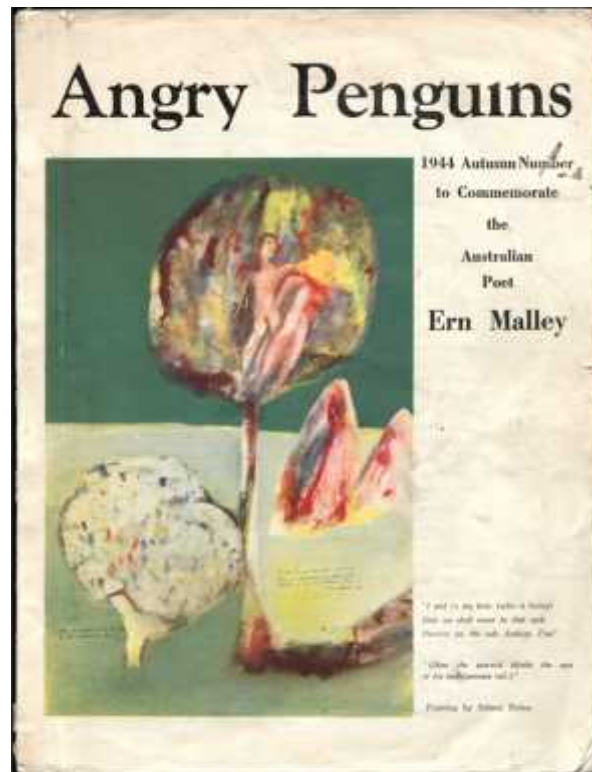


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In response to ongoing visitor interest in Heide Museum of Modern Art's unique history, a new semi-permanent exhibition drawn from the collection and archives will open on 16 April 2016 in the farmhouse known as Heide I, the original home of the Reeds.



Angry Penguins, no. 6, Autumn 1944, Heide Museum of Modern Art Archive

The exhibition will celebrate the influential role of Heide founders John and Sunday Reed in the development of Australian art and intellectual culture from the 1930s right up to the early 1980s.



Heide 1949, Photograph: John Sinclair, Heide Museum of Modern Art Archive, © Estate of John Sinclair

The Reeds' first home at Heide, the Victorian farmhouse now referred to as Heide I, will provide the setting for a changing selection of art works, archival material and personal effects which reveal the range of their activities and commitments: as art collectors and benefactors; as instigators of significant cultural organisations; and as cultivators of their extensive property, developed so that one day it would become a public gallery and park for all to enjoy.

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Arthur Boyd, *Butterfly Man*, 1943, oil on muslin on cardboard, 55.5 x 75.5 cm, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne, Bequest of John and Sunday Reed 1982, © Bundanon Trust

The first display features works by the revolutionary and now highly acclaimed artists who congregated at Heide during the watershed years of the 1940s: Arthur Boyd, Joy Hester, Sidney Nolan, John Perceval, Albert Tucker and Danila Vassilieff—today collectively known as the Angry Penguins, after the progressive journal published by the Reeds and writer Max Harris during this decade.

Curator Linda Short is available for interview. High res images are available upon request.

EXHIBITION

MAKING HISTORY: THE ANGRY PENGUINS

Saturday 16 April – Sunday 6 November 2016

EXHIBITION TOURS

Every Wednesday, 20 April – 25 May, 2pm

Saturday 7 May, 2pm

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