



### MESSAGE FROM THE LORD MAYOR OF MELBOURNE

The City of Melbourne is proud to support the 10th anniversary of the African Music and Cultural Festival, and welcome you to this much-loved celebration of our vibrant and diverse African community.

I have attended this lively festival for years, soaking up the sights and sounds of some 35 African nations in the heart of the city – the delicious street food, toe-tapping traditional beats, workshops, fashion shows and more.

Whether you're one of more than 5000 passionate African–Australians who call the City of Melbourne home, or eager to learn more about the talents, traditions and contributions of your African neighbours, friends and colleagues – this festival is equal parts welcoming, fun and inclusive.

Congratulations to Co-founder and Chair, Fred Alale AM, and the wonderful team of organisers and volunteers – not to mention the stall holders, artists and community organisations – for bringing us together and reinforcing our reputation as one of the most multicultural and exciting cities in the world.



**Sally Capp AO**  
Lord Mayor