

Your West-Side Story

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Cool calm and connected, Footscray has fast become one of Melbourne's shining lights, with Victoria Square in the centre of its beating heart. A stone's throw from the CBD and the heart of the west, Footscray is buzzing with character, charm and cutting edge vibes. The rich narrative of this suburb has evolved from industrial powerhouse to waterside residential hub, boasting city views and a vibrantly cultured environment.

Now with a thriving arts scene and new residential communities settling in, Victoria Square and its residents will make their mark in this dynamic district.

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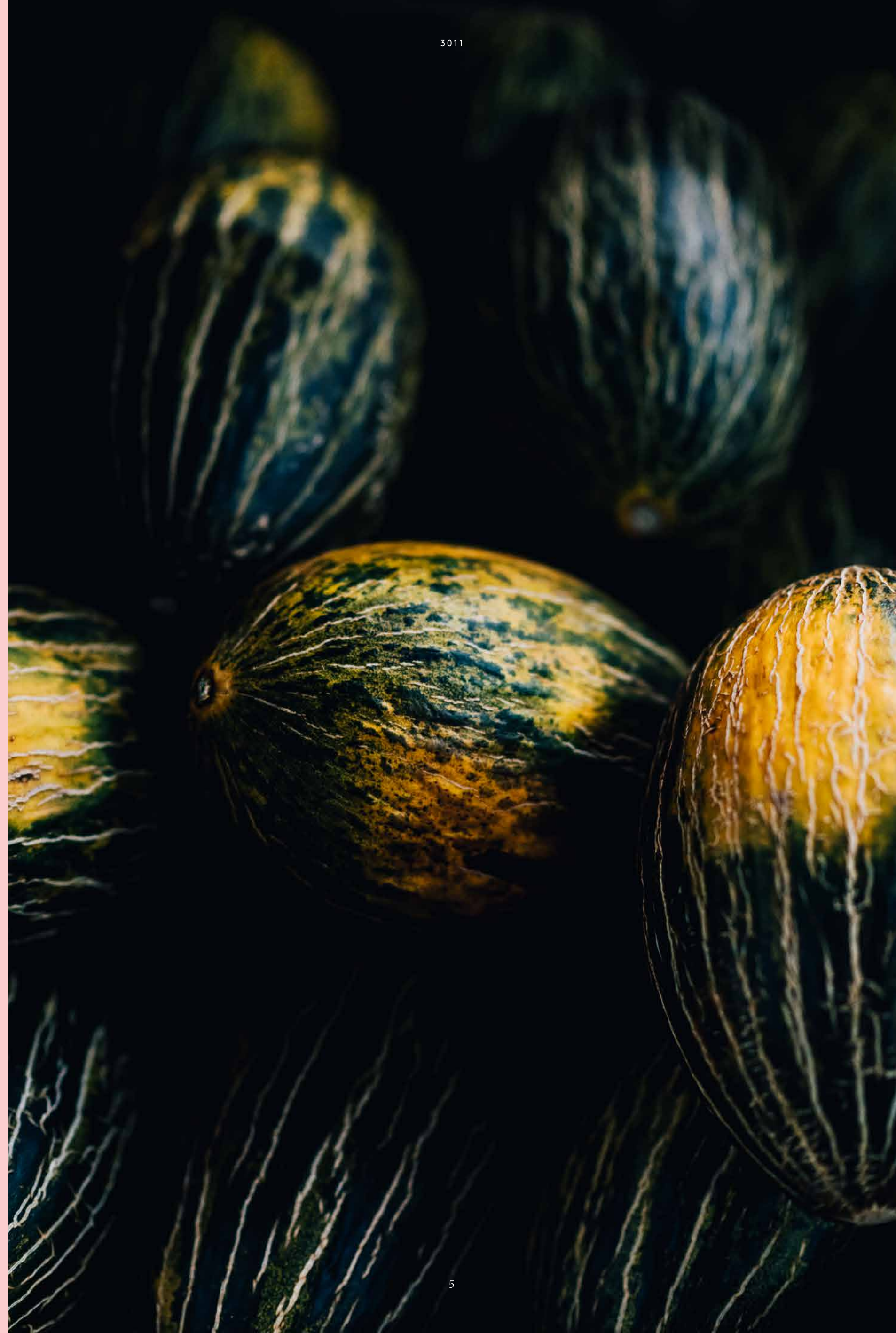
Where there's entertainment aplenty.

From dawn to dark, Footscray is on the up-and-up, serving pizza and craft beer, cocktails and curries, fresh market shopping and speciality food. Whether you're digging for records, having a night out or doing the weekly grocery run, Footscray's the spot.



Where the shopping is eclectic.

— Footscray Market is an institution, known city-wide for its fresh produce and specialty foods, and it's right next to Footscray Station. Footscray Finds runs every month and serves up everything from vintage clothing to preloved books and antiques, as well as live music and local nibbles. If shopping is your weakness, Footscray is home to creative boutiques that sell pre-loved and new records, locally-made kitchen treats, and furniture and homewares created from 100% recycled materials.





Footscray Market



Harry & Larry's General Store

Where everything bursts with flavour.

— When it comes to dining, Footscray is a spicy mix of ingredients from across the world. The suburb's multicultural history has resulted in restaurants that range from Italian, French and Turkish to Vietnamese, Ethiopian and Mexican. An eclectic array of cafés also scatters the surrounding streets, with local favourites including West 48 and 'boozy bakery' Bad Love Club. For an evening tipple, Footscray is home to chic bars and cosy pubs, such as Bar Josephine, Back Alley Sally's, and the iconic The Station Hotel.





Small Graces



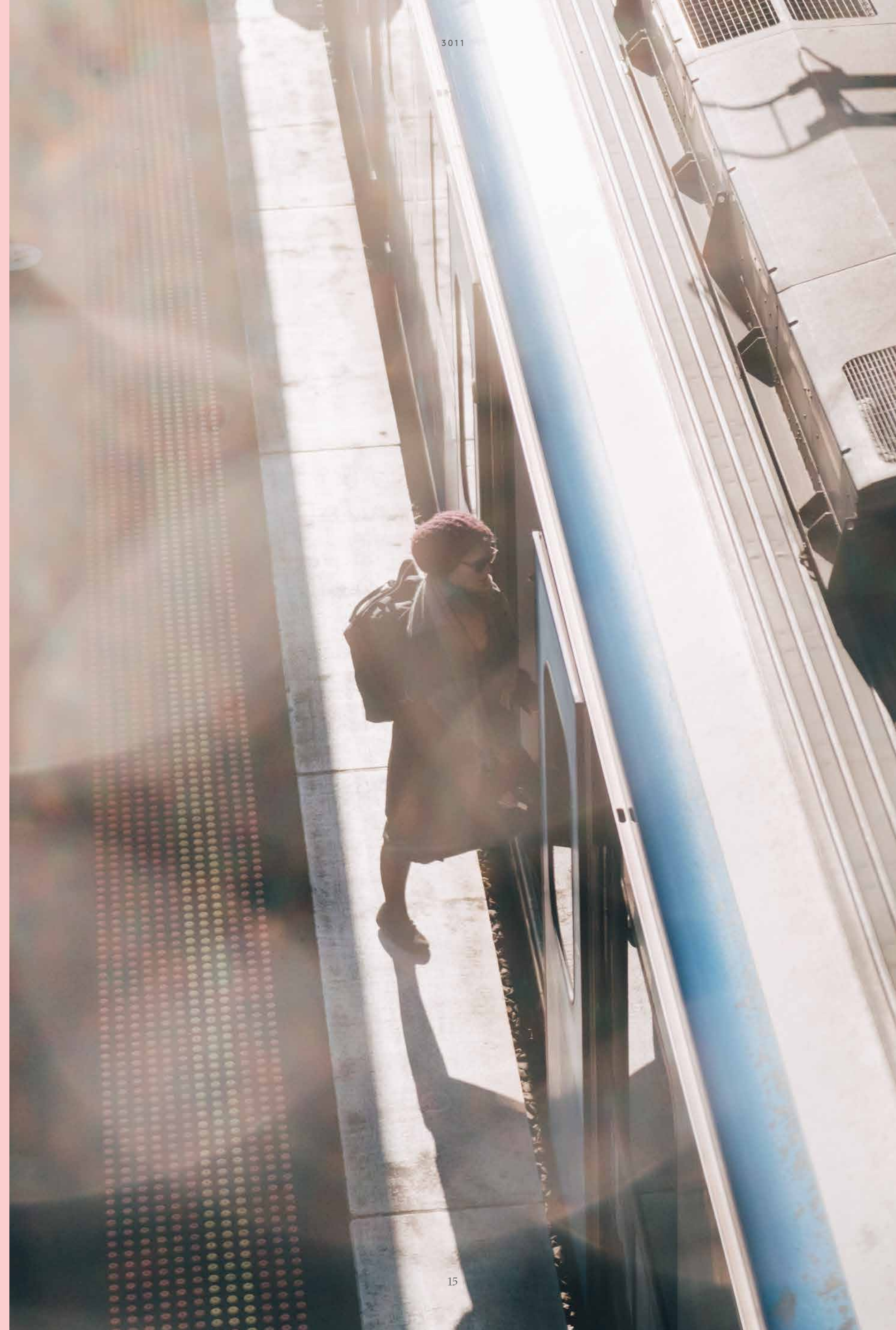
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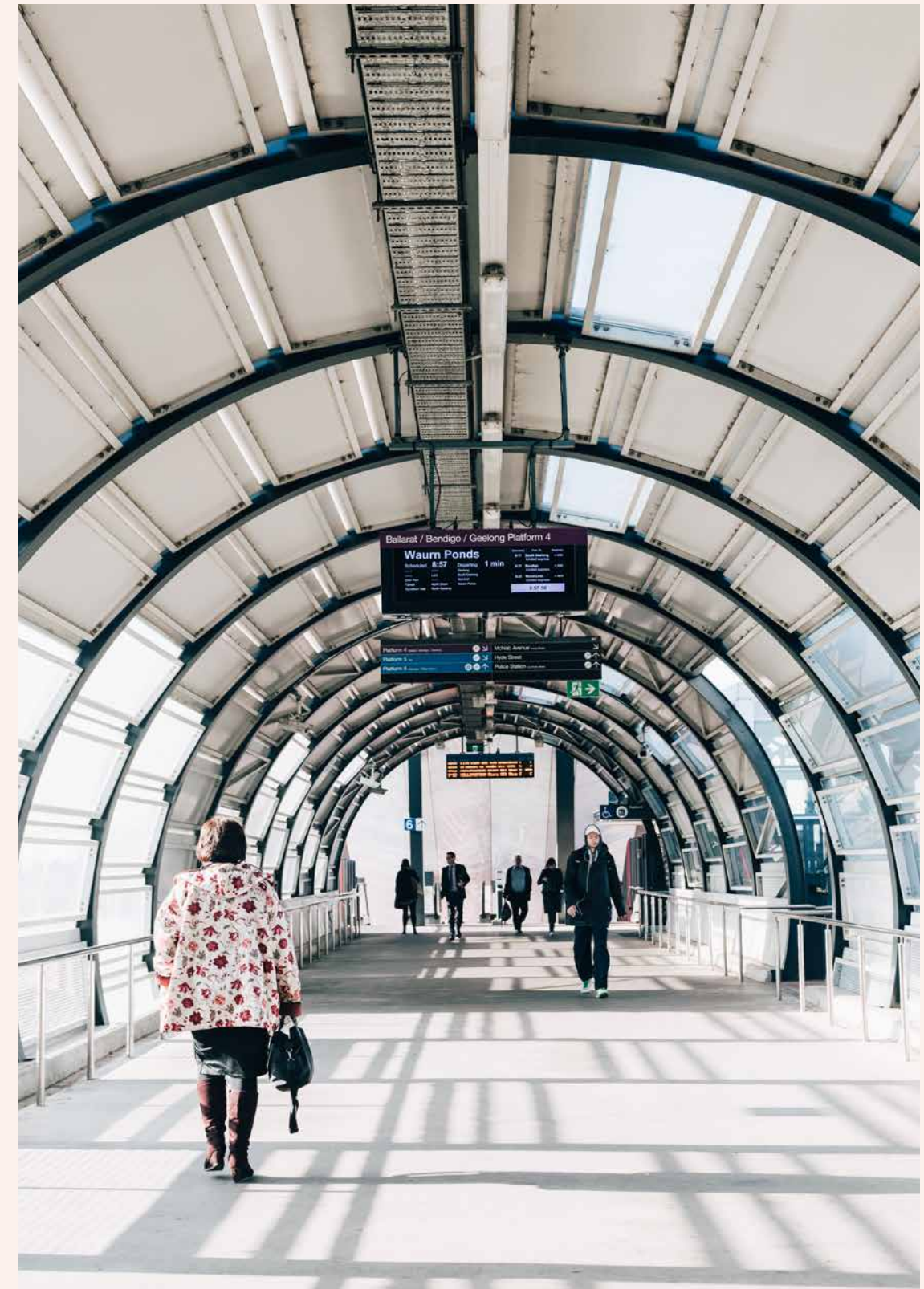


Footscray Doughnuts

Where it's easy to get everywhere.

— A gateway for both the West and the CBD, Footscray is one of Melbourne's most connected suburbs. It's only 12 minutes from Footscray Station to Flinders Street Station, with swift connections to the rest of greater Melbourne and regional trains. A number of trams and buses also transport locals to all corners of the city. Those who love fresh air and scenic rides will love getting around Footscray by bike, with the suburb featuring over 30 bicycle routes, including the scenic Maribyrnong River Trail.



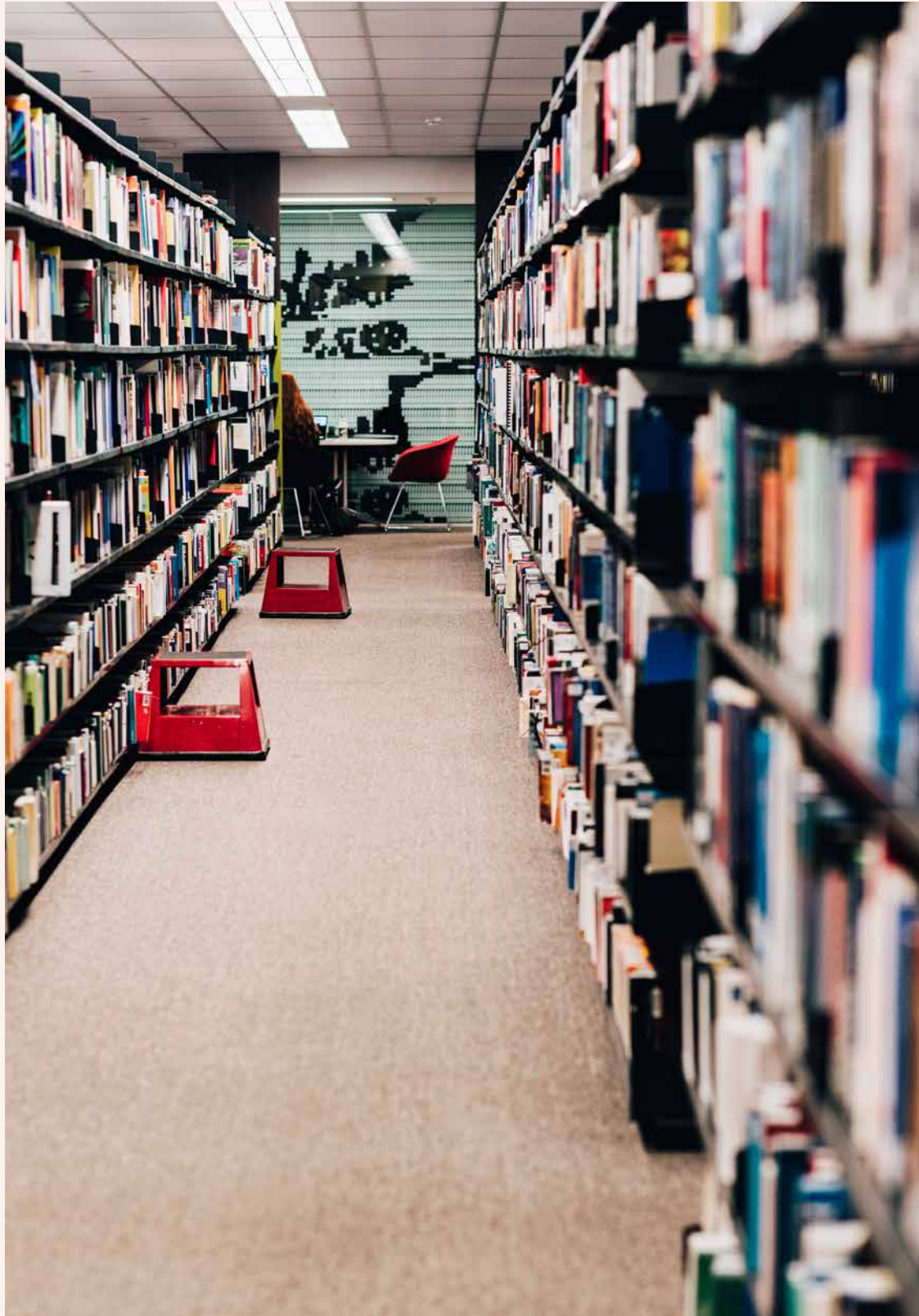


Footscray Station

Where the community flourishes.

— Footscray is rich with public spaces and educational institutions for neighbours to gather, learn and socialise in. From the many green spaces along the Maribyrnong River, to the reserves and football ovals dotted throughout, the suburb has plenty of parks and gardens to enjoy. Victoria University's main campus is rich with study options and the Footscray Community Arts Centre runs a variety of programs and projects for the creatives among us.





Victoria University library



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