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Arts NSW and Screen NSW
Merry Christmas from the PSA

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The PSA wishes a Merry Christmas to all members at Arts NSW and Screen NSW. We understand 2016 has been a particularly difficult year for you with the restructure. Yet it is with the spirit of unity, community and hope that we say goodbye to 2016 and look forward to a brighter 2017.

The Christmas Closedown and You

Your leave provisions are important. You cannot be forced to take leave on days which are not public holidays and public service holidays. This year, the holiday dates are 25, 26, 27 and 28 December and 1 and 2 January 2017. The NSW Government encourages but does not require all non-frontline worksites to shut down over the Christmas to New Year period. You can only be directed to take leave during the Christmas closedown if you have an excess leave balance.

For more detailed information about your Christmas Leave rights, click **HERE**.

(http://psa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Bulletin-to-members-Christmas-closedown-UPDATED-November-2016.pdf)

You can read the Premier's announcement **HERE**.

(http://arp.nsw.gov.au/m2016-01-premiers-memorandum-christmas-closedown-2016-2018)

2017

In 2017, the PSA will be a presence and a force as your agency becomes Create NSW. We are providing members with a wide variety of training opportunities and bringing in a team structure at the PSA that will give you the industrial and campaigning support which you deserve. We intend for this new structure to provide the bedrock from which to grow the union in your workplace.

But the core of our power as a union will always be you. Through supporting each other, standing together and working as a collective, you can make a real difference to your workplace and to the people around you. We look forward to working with you in 2017.

If you have any questions or need the support of your union, please speak to your local PSA delegate or contact the PSA's Member Support Centre on 1300 772 679.

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