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Sydney Opera House is one of the busiest performing arts centres in the world. We are performing now and we are building for the future generations.

The Hon. Nathan Rees, MP
Premier and Minister for the Arts

Sir, we have the pleasure of presenting the Annual Report of the Sydney Opera House for the year ended 30 June 2008, for presentation to Parliament. This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Annual Reports (Statutory Bodies) Act 1984* and the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1983*.



Kim Williams AM
Chairman



Richard Evans
Chief Executive