The first governor – A bicentenary symposium on Arthur Phillip

A selection of papers presented to commemorate the bicentenary of Arthur Phillip's death at Sydney Living Museums

In this special issue of the *Sydney Journal* some of Australia's most significant scholars of colonial history reveal the contributions Arthur Phillip made to the founding of modern Australia. From his role preparing for the voyage of the First Fleet, to his five years as the colony's first governor, the symposium was a fascinating and intimate exploration of the founding of the colony, and the life, career and continuing importance of the man who governed it.

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