

In addition to Brisbane, Mr. Hansen will visit Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra to promote Canadian participation at the international exposition. He will call on Australian government officials in the three cities and take part in a variety of special events and interviews.

Rick Hansen was named Commissioner General for Canada at EXPO 88 last November. The internationally-known wheelchair athlete wheeled some 3,000 kilometres of his famous 40,000-kilometre "Man in Motion" World Tour in Australia between January and March, 1986.

EXPO 88 is the international highlight of year-long Australian Bicentennial celebrations to mark the 200th anniversary of European settlement "down under".

EXPO 88 opens in Brisbane on 30 April and continues until 30 October. Some 45 governments and 15 private corporations will have pavilions there.

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