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ATSILIRN Bursary 2008

ALIA is offering a bursary package of up to $1,500 and one year’s membership of the Association to assist a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background currently working in the library and information sector to attend the ALIA 2008 Dreaming08.

The purpose of the bursary is to enable an ATSILIRN member, who would not otherwise receive funding from their organisation, to attend the ALIA Biennial Conference.

The scholarship is open to applicants of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background who meet the following criteria:

1. personal financial member of ATSILIRN;
2. currently work in the library and information sector;
3. have not attended the ALIA Biennial Conference as a delegate within the last six years; and
4. outline the expected benefits to their career in LIS and to their organisation and the expected future contribution they could make to the sector as a result of attendance at DREAMING08.

Eligible applicants who wish to be considered for the bursary should send a completed application form by the closing date to the ALIA Executive Director making sure to address all criteria as set out above.

All applications will be considered on merit. The ALIA Executive Director will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors concerning the winner of the ALIA Bursary package.

Conditions

The successful recipient will be required to prepare a report on the conference experience and its benefits for publication in INCITE.
Ray Choate Scholarship

The Ray Choate Scholarship is an award up to $4000 which will enable the recipient to investigate a particular aspect of reference or information services that will lead to improved practice in the area. The research topic should relate to the Objects of the Association.

Applicants are required to be financial personal members of ALIA with an understanding of and experience in provision of reference services.

The research project should be designed to:

- explore the potential for further development of existing Australian reference or information services;

  and/or

- investigate the use of emerging technologies in the provision of reference or information services;

  and/or

- increase the knowledge and skills of practising reference librarians.

The successful recipient will be required to prepare a comprehensive report which may be published in the Australian Library Journal or other ALIA publication, present the report to the ALIA research committee within twelve months of the date of completion of the award and make a presentation at an ALIA conference or event.

In awarding the Ray Choate Scholarship, ALIA reserves the right to make broad adjustments to the proposed project to ensure optimal relevance for the association and the wider profession.

Nominations will be considered by the ALIA Research Committee for recommendation to the Board of Directors.
Previous recipients

- 2007 Nicole Johnston MApSci(LIM) AALIA

  How can Instant Messaging improve the reference and information experiences of students in regional areas?

  - 2005 Kate Watson BA, GDipLIS AALIA and Chelsea Harper BA, GDipSc (Information Services) AALIA

  Investigating Blog and Wiki Technology for the Enhancement of Internal Reference Service Processes

No award made 1993 - 2004 inclusive

- 1992 Rosemary Cotter GDipL, MSc in Psychology

  Profile of Training Programmes in Australian Academic Libraries for Staff Working at Enquiry Desks
YBP/Lindsay & Croft Research Award for Collection Services

The ALIA YBP/Lindsay & Croft Research Award for Collection Services is a biennial award up to $4000 offered in the ALIA Biennial Conference year that aims to increase the recipient’s professional knowledge and experience; to provide the recipient with the opportunity to investigate and research a particular aspect of the development of collection services; and to encourage practice-related research or projects that will inform and advance practice in collection services and management.

The successful recipient will be required to prepare a comprehensive report for publication in the Australian Library Journal and pursue other publishing and presentation opportunities, present the report to the ALIA research committee within twelve months of the date of completion of the award and make a presentation at the next ALIA biennial conference.

In awarding the YBP/Lindsay & Croft Research Award, ALIA reserves the right to make broad adjustments to the proposed project to ensure optimal relevance for the association and the wider profession.

Nominations will be considered by the research award panel for recommendation to the Board of Directors.

Applicants are required to be current financial members of ALIA.

Recipients

- 2010 - Paul Genoni
- 2008 - Veronica Delafosse
- 2006 - Bruce Monro
- 2004 - Kerrie Hunter
ALIA Letter of Recognition
This award is no longer awarded...

The ALIA Letter of Recognition may be presented to a person or organisation who/which has rendered a significant, special or specific service to:

- Librarianship, libraries or information management; or
- The promotion and development of libraries or library services; or
- The Australian Library and Information Association; or
- For demonstrating such service over a period of time.

Receipt of an ALIA Letter of Recognition shall not preclude the recipient from later receiving a Fellowship or other award of the Association, nor are people who are already Fellows precluded from receiving an ALIA Letter of Recognition.

Nominations for an ALIA Letter of Recognition may be submitted at any time and will be considered by the National Awards Panel.

Eligibility
Nominees for the ALIA Letter of Recognition need not be financial members of the Australian Library and Information Association or members of the profession.

The ALIA Letter of Recognition may be awarded more than once to a person for different achievements, and it may be awarded to more than one recipient in any given year.

Nominations
Any person or organisation may be nominated for an ALIA Letter of Recognition. Nominations must be made by at least two financial personal or institutional representative members of the association. The nomination shall be confidential, and the nominee must not be aware of the nomination.

Evidence
Nominators should state their working or professional relationship to the nominee.

Nominators must provide a written statement providing sufficient and appropriate evidence to demonstrate the nominee’s suitability for the award.

Documentation should provide:

1. evidence of a particular, significant service to ALIA, or
2. evidence of sustained and significant service to ALIA, or
3. evidence of a significant particular or ongoing contribution to librarianship, libraries or information management, or
4. evidence of significant particular or ongoing contribution to the promotion or development of libraries and information services.
The nominee's suitability will be assessed by the National Awards Committee in terms of the above eligibility criteria and evidence.

**Note:** All nominations must be CONFIDENTIAL, and the nominee MUST NOT be aware of the nomination.
Excellence Award

The Excellence Award recognises excellence in any area, field or aspect of practice in the library and information services sector.

Nominations should clearly identify the area, field or aspect of practice and demonstrate the basis on which the judgement of excellence has been made.

In addition, nominations should demonstrate how the nominee's excellence in practice meets one or more of the Association's Objects.

This award is peer or self-nominated. Nominees may be:

- a personal member of ALIA or the nominated ALIA representative of an institutional member;
- a group comprising personal members or the nominated ALIA representatives of an institutional member;
- an institutional member.

For more information on how to nominate for the award, see the nomination form or contact ALIA National Office [details below].

Nominations close on 1 August 2010.

Nominations will be considered by the national awards panel for recommendation to the Board of Directors. A maximum of one award may be made each year and the national awards panel reserves the right not to make an award if nominations do not justify it. The Board of Directors may cite nominations as highly commended. Awards are normally presented at the ALIA conference.
Ellinor Archer Pioneer Award

The Ellinor Archer Pioneer Award recognises pioneering work in new areas of library and information science. This may involve a one-off product, a new service or program or development of an existing service, but must incorporate a future-oriented approach.

Nominees may be individual or institutional members of the Association. The nomination may identify a specific group or unit within an institution.

Ellinor Archer, MBE, was a pioneer, a foundation member of the Australian Institute of Librarians (precursor to our Association) and its first woman president. A lecturer in botany at Trinity College, University of Melbourne, she was appointed in 1923 Chief Librarian of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research which became the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation. In her 31 years of work for the organisation, she developed an extensive library network delivering modern specialist library services and organised the first co-operative union catalogue of Australian library holdings, based on the scientific and technical periodicals in collections throughout Australia.

The award was changed in 2002 to the pioneering focus. The previous Ellinor Archer Award was presented to Ena Noël (1984) and Allan Fleming (1989).

This award is peer-nominated. Confidentiality in nomination is essential and nominees should not be aware that they are being nominated for an award. Premature disclosure of details may prejudice consideration of the nomination.

Nominations are considered by the national awards panel which makes recommendation to the Board of Directors. More than one award may be made each year if there are multiple nominations which are considered worthy of the award. Details are published only when a nomination is successful.

Nominations close on 1 August 2010.
Metcalfe Medallion

This Award is now known as the Metcalfe Award

The Metcalfe Medallion was awarded for an outstanding piece of work on any topic that linked library and information sector theory to practice, submitted by a student or group of students undertaking a first-award course in library and information science. Entries for the Metcalfe Medallion had to be an essay or other piece of work of up to 5000 words in length, with potential for publication or presentation. Entries for the Award also had to indicate competence in the analysis, evaluation or synthesis of data, information or previously published material.

The Metcalfe Medallion commemorated John Metcalfe and his contribution to librarianship and library education. John Metcalfe was New South Wales state librarian before he became university librarian of the University of New South Wales. He gained an international reputation through his writings and initiatives. He established the Australian Institute of Librarians, later to be renamed the Library Association of Australia and served a term as president of each. He was instrumental in the establishment of library education in Australia.
Dunn and Wilson Scholarship

This Award is now known as the Library Technician Award

The Dunn & Wilson Scholarship provides the recipient/s with an opportunity to undertake a particular project of relevance to the role of library technicians in the broad library and information profession. The scholarship proposal can be made by an individual financial library technician member or a group of financial library technician members.

The Scholarship is a biennial award of up to $5,000 (currently presented at the biennial library technician’s conference) and is open to all financial Library Technician members of ALIA.

Scholarship recipients are required to:

- Present the ‘Dunn & Wilson Oration’ at the ALIA Library Technicians Conference or equivalent event. The oration should include a report on the project, detailing the project’s outcomes, benefits to the individual and the profession.
- Prepare a comprehensive scholarly report on their studies, suitable for publication as a journal article.
- Provide ALIA National Library Technicians Group Committee a six monthly report detailing the progress made since inception of the previous report, including reconciliation of expenses to date. The report will then be forwarded to the ALIA Research Committee for information.

In awarding the Dunn & Wilson Scholarship, ALIA reserves the right to make broad adjustments to the proposed project to ensure optimal relevance for the association and library technician roles and practices.

Nominations will be considered by a selection committee, which will include a representative of the ALIA Research Committee, for recommendation to the Board of Directors. Nominations close on 1 June 2007
ALIA Manager of the Year

This award is no longer awarded...

The ALIA Manager of the Year (previously Library Manager of the Year) award recognised and encouraged exceptional management practices within the library and information sector. Nominees could be personal members responsible for managing a library service or individual library, or a significant service or project within a larger organisational unit. Nominations were confidential.

ALIA Awards for Innovation

The innovation awards were given on a national scope from 1999, having been previously offered only in Victoria. They recognised innovative practices by library staff in any aspect of library activity - for example, design of a brochure or world wide web page, or for teamwork. An award was made in each of the following categories: academic (universities and TAFE); public libraries; school libraries; special libraries, law libraries; and health libraries. Sponsored by Library Locums, a division of The One Umbrella Group.

Nominees were financial members of ALIA, and could be nominated by managers, colleagues, clients, or themselves. There was no official nomination form for this award. To nominate, applicants needed to submit:

- a detailed description of the innovative practice, including aims of the project, implementation and outcomes.
- a letter of support verifying the applications details by a manager, co-worker or client
- a covering letter providing all contact details, including full name and address of the employing organisation
Ex Libris South Australia Library Achiever of the Year Award

The South Australia Library Achiever of the Year Award was an annual prize for ALIA Members which aimed to:

- encourage recognition of a person or a team of persons working in any sector of the library and information profession in South Australia
- provide an opportunity to promote innovation and excellence within the library and information profession
- increase the profile of the profession

Entrants could self-nominate on the basis of one or more of the following:

- Innovative practice in the development of library and information services.
- Progress achieved in the implementation of new services or new technologies.
- Successful collaborative ventures or partnerships in library and information services.
- Creative approaches to marketing or promoting library and information services.
- Demonstrated dedication to the advancement of libraries.

The award was offered from 2006 to 2014, with the winner receiving an inscribed plaque and $550 cash.

The South Australia Library Achiever of the Year Award was proudly sponsored by Ex Libris.
ALIA Aurora Scholarship

From the website (2016):

ALIA has been a long term supporter of the Aurora Foundation, which aims to assist future leaders in the library and associated cultural and information industry to maximise leadership skills and potential. In the past we have awarded scholarships to support the attendance of an ALIA member at the Aurora Leadership Institute. Our relationship with the Aurora Foundation continues and we are pleased to feature the work of this organisation through our publications and networking events.

ALIA AURORA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

• 2012 Romany Manuell
• 2010 Catherine Knight
• 2009 Rachel Crowe
• 2008 Aimee Herridge
• 2007 Tania Barry
Library Technician Research Award

The Library Technician Research Award (previously the Dunn and Wilson scholarship) provided the recipient/s with an opportunity to undertake a particular project of relevance to the role of library technicians in the broad library and information profession. The award proposal could be made by an individual financial Library Technician member or a group of financial Library Technician members.

The award was a biennial award of up to $5,000 (presented at the biennial Library Technicians conference).

Award recipients were required to:

- Provide quarterly reports detailing work undertaken, milestones met and reconciliation of expenses to the ALIA National Library Technicians Group Committee. The report was also be forwarded to the ALIA Research Advisory Committee for information.
- Present the Library Technician Research Award topic at the ALIA Library and Information Technicians’ Symposium or equivalent event and be prepared to assume all costs associated with attendance at such an event.
- Prepare a comprehensive report on their studies, suitable for publication as an INCITE article. The dissemination/publication strategy for the research project was to be discussed with the appointed mentor and/or the ALIA Research Advisory Committee. Any publications describing work that had been wholly or partially supported by an ALIA research award were to acknowledge such support.
- The presentation would include a report on the project, detailing its outcomes, benefits to the individual and the profession.

The Library Technician Research Award was open to those who have been financial Library Technician members for at least two years and with a minimum of three years’ professional experience at the time of application. The closing date was 30 June.

LIBRARY TECHNICIAN RESEARCH AWARD RECIPIENTS

2015 Debra Gilmore ALIATec
Is there a need for increased ICT training in Library Technician courses in Australia?

2009 Janette Telford AFALIATec (CP)
Is there a career path for Library Technicians?

DUNN & WILSON SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2007 Rebecca Evans ADipSocSC(Lib&InfStudies) ALIATec
Preserving our past to educate our future

2005 Sharon Uthmann ADipAppSc(LTST) ALIATec
Multi-Skill Us: Library Technician National Secondment Opportunities

2003 Lothar Retzlaff AssDipAppSc(LT) ALIATec
To examine the potential of e-commerce as a framework for the marketing of libraries and their services
2001 Kerrie Blyth AssDipAppSc(LT) DipLibInfSt CP ALIATec
A comparison of education and training opportunities for library technicians in the UK, USA, NZ and Australia

1999 Meredith Martinelli BSc(LT) ALIATec
Changing roles, changing goals: transferring library technician skills beyond the library

1997 Lorraine Denny LibT ALIATec
Job descriptions: improving their currency, accuracy and usefulness

1995 Jean Bailey LibTechCert
Case study of higher-level library technicians

1993 Helen Martyn AssDipAppSc(LT) ALIATec (no paper available)

1991 Maryellen Leonard LibTechCert ALIATec (no paper available)