



NSW Teacher-Librarian announced as Australia's Favourite Librarian

On Library Lover's Day, 14 February 2013, the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) set out to find Australia's Favourite Librarian. They asked Australians to nominate librarians and library workers across the country. 438 nominations came in from across Australia, with 212 individual librarians nominated. The competition received over 14,000 votes.

Mrs Jae Rolt, a Teacher-Librarian at Cessnock West Primary School, won the prestigious title with nearly 10% of the total votes. Mrs Rolt was thrilled to be announced Australia's Favourite Librarian and was amazed by the number of votes her community sent in.

Mrs Rolt loves being a Teacher-Librarian. Her favourite part of her job is watching the delight on her students faces when they discuss their favourite books. She also loves the enthusiastic community who come to the Book Fairs the school holds during book week fully dressed up to the theme.

Mrs Rolt said winning left her stunned. 'To know that I have had a positive impact on so many lives is an amazing feeling and this is something I will cherish for the rest of my life.'

Mrs Rolt holds the title of Australia's Favourite Librarian as well as NSW's Favourite Librarian. There were also winners for each State and Territory. The announcement of Australia's Favourite Librarian is kicking off the beginning of Library and Information Week, 20-26 May 2013.

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Winners across Australia:

Australia's Favourite Librarian

Jae Rolt

NSW Favourite Librarian

Jae Rolt

ACT Favourite Librarian

Catherine Jordan

NT Favourite Librarian

Bernadette Royal

QLD Favourite Library Assistant

Trish Richards

SA Favourite Library Officer

Jason Goodwin

TAS Favourite Library Technician

Lyn Broomhall

Co- VIC Favourite Librarian

Tania Barry

Co- VIC Favourite Librarian

Narelle Stone

WA Favourite Librarian

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