



ALIA2000 in Bangkok

Katrina Chirgwin, convenor of the ALIA2000 information and technology committee represented the ALIA2000 conference committee at the recent IFLA conference in Bangkok. The ALIA2000 stand attracted a lot of interest with its t-shirt-clad kangaroo — undoubtedly the major attraction of the conference with dozens of locals having their photo taken with him.

A competition to win free registration to ALIA2000 was a great success with more than 250 people from all over the world registering interest in the conference. The winner was Marietou Diongue from the National Library of Senegal. As an added bonus, Katrina offered 'Skippy' as a consolation prize — the winner of the kangaroo in ALIA2000 t-shirt was a librarian from the Bank of Thailand.

Katrina Chirgwin, member of the ALIA2000 conference committee with Skippy at the IFLA conference in Bangkok



Honorary IFLA Fellowship for Warren Horton

Warren Horton, recently retired director-general of the National Library of Australia, was presented with an Honorary Fellowship by the IFLA president at the recent IFLA conference in Bangkok.

Christine Deschamps, IFLA president, said that she was 'delighted' to be able to present the award to Warren. 'Honorary Fellowship is the highest award IFLA is able to confer on a member', she said. 'Only two such Fellowships have been awarded this decade. Warren's is richly deserved. He has worked tirelessly to ensure a sound financial base for the Federation and to help it achieve its ambition to become a truly global champion of libraries and librarians.'

Christine presented Warren with

the IFLA Honorary Fellowship medal and a commemorative scroll.

The citation on the scroll reads: 'In recognition of Warren Horton's distinguished record of service, the Council of IFLA expresses its profound gratitude and appreciation by awarding him an Honorary Fellowship on the occasion of its 65th Council and General Conference held in Bangkok, Thailand, 27th August 1999.'

'As a member of IFLA's Executive Board from 1991 to 1997, and as treasurer from 1993 to 1997, Warren Horton played a major role in securing a sound financial base for the Federation.'

'As a member of the Conference of Directors of National Libraries (CDNL), his commitment to co-operation be-

tween CDNL and IFLA's Core Programmes ensured both financial and professional support by national libraries for the development of the Core Programmes, particularly in the fields of preservation and conservation and bibliographic records.

'A true internationalist, Warren Horton campaigned successfully to bring into the global arena libraries and library associations most likely to benefit from the international network.'

'As convenor of the working party set up to review the Federation's Statutes and Rules of Procedure, he worked tirelessly to reform IFLA's working practices in order to fulfil its objective to become a truly global organisation.'

Congratulations Warren on this great honour.

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