

New librarian?

Don't miss this opportunity!

The 2nd ALIA New Librarians' Symposium (NLS2) — a symposium for new librarians and information professionals — will be held on 3 and 4 December 2004 in Adelaide. If you are a student, new graduate, librarian or technician who has graduated in the last ten years, this is the best opportunity that you will have to meet and socialise with peers and to build networks across the Australian and New Zealand library profession.

John Stanley, proudly sponsored by Dynix Australia, will be one of the keynote speakers for NLS2. John is recognised around the world for his work on retailing concepts for libraries and is noted for his inspiring and motivational presentations. Do not miss this chance to see John and hear his insights into the future of library marketing.

Other speakers will include Helen Alm, career consultant; Fiona Lange, marketing guru and the brains behind the South Australian @yourlibrary campaign, and Dagmar Morello, librarian

and life coach. We will also hear from Mylee Joseph, the winner of a life-coaching package at the first NLS in 2002, and her life coach, Geraldine Barkworth.

During the next month, the full program will be announced on the NLS2 website. The response to the call for papers from new librarians has been awesome. The final program will include a number of presentations by new librarians, for new librarians, giving the next generation a chance to share their vision for the future of libraries and librarians.

The registration form for NLS2 is now available to download from the website at <http://conferences.alia.org.au/newlibrarian2004/registration.html>. Register before 1 October to pay at the early-bird rate of \$225 for ALIA members!

Not an ALIA member? Take advantage of the non-member rate, which, if you tick the box, gives you free ALIA

membership until 30 June 2005.

Being a member of ALIA is a great way to continue networking after NLS2!

Visit the NLS2 website, sponsored by 3M, to find out more [<http://conferences.alia.org.au/newlibrarian2004/>]. While you are there, register your interest and join the e-mailing list to be the first to learn about speakers, competitions and exciting social events!

If you need more reasons to register, you will also get some cool stuff like a funky satchel sponsored by Lexis-Nexis, an invitation to the National Library of Australia Cocktail Party at the ultra-modern State Library of South Australia, and a delicious dinner sponsored by the very special premium sponsor, Civica.

We cannot wait until December to meet you in Adelaide!

Kate Sinclair, convenor, 2nd ALIA New Librarians' Symposium



VALA AWARD

The VALA Award, made biennially, is presented to the Australian library or information centre judged to have made the most innovative use of information technology during the previous two years.

Nominations are now invited for the 2004 Award for application implemented between July 2002 and June 2004 inclusive.

All libraries and information centres in Australia are eligible for nomination by staff, users or other interested persons.

Guidelines and nominations forms can be obtained from:

**The Secretary
VALA
PO Box 282
CROYDON VIC 3136**
or from our website at
<http://www.vala.org.au>

Nominations close 15 September 2004



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VALA TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Every two years VALA offers up to two Travel Scholarships to enable suitable persons to travel overseas to examine aspects of library automation. Candidates proposing to study newer technologies of potential application in Australia but not yet seen here are most likely to be successful. No formal qualifications are required. Although candidates should be working in library or information related areas, they need not be employed in traditional library environments.

The successful candidates will receive up to \$12 000 towards travel, accommodation and living expenses. Successful candidates must complete the study by August 2005, and will be offered the opportunity of presenting a paper at the 13th VALA Biennial National Conference in February 2006.

Closing date for applications: 15 September 2004.

Application forms and more details are available from:

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