The Australian Library Journal

Editor: call for expressions of interest

The Editorial Board of *The Australian Library Journal* is seeking expressions of interest in the position of editor from suitably qualified and experienced persons.

The *Journal* is published quarterly and covers a wide range of professional interests in the sector. Published by ALIA, the *Journal* is now in its 55th year. It is the flagship publication of the Association and the editor will be expected to be familiar with its evolution and with ALIA's objectives, programs, range of interests and place in the LIS sector.

Experience in the professional field, in serial publications and as an editor are important. Further information on the duties and responsibilities of the editor and the roles of the Editorial Board and the Association is available from Karen McVicker, managing editor, ALIA, PO Box 6335, Kingston, ACT 2603, ph 02 6215 8231, karen.mcvicker@alia.org.au.

Closing date for expressions of interest is 5 June 2006.

Library collections go trans-Tasman



he National Libraries of Australia and New Zealand have announced a collaborative project linking Libraries Australia Document Delivery and Te Puna Interloan, enabling libraries on both sides of the Tasman to seamlessly request from and supply library resources to one another.

Known as Trans Tasman Interlending, this service will significantly improve the efficiency of document delivery services to libraries in Australia and New Zealand, facilitating resource sharing between libraries in both countries.

The benefits include: access to the resources of almost 900 libraries in Australia and New Zealand; a single search interface to the National Bibliographic Databases in both countries; one system that supports document delivery for Australia and New Zealand; a centralised billing and reconciliation system.

Australian libraries will be able to use the Libraries Australia Document Delivery service to search the TePuna database and request loans or copies of items held in New Zealand libraries. Likewise New Zealand libraries will be able to use Te Puna Interloan to search Libraries Australia (Australian National Bibliographic Database) and request loans or copies of items held in Australian libraries.

For more information visit http://www.nla.gov.au/librariesaustralia/tepuna.html.

Congratulations

ALIA applauds the University of Queensland's award of an honorary Doctor of Letters to one of our life members. Dr Spencer Routh's distinguished career (we quote from his citation) spans nearly four decades of service to The University of Queensland Library. He strengthened the University's research infrastructure, advanced the library profession in Australia, contributed to the literature of librarianship (particularly bibliography and collection development) and provided an exemplary role model for librarians.

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ALIA's research awards

Nominations are now being called for the following research awards of the Australian Library and Information Association

STUDY GRANT AWARD

There are funds available to ALIA members wishing to undertake a study project. Study Grants are offered to provide an opportunity for librarians and library technicians to undertake projects that they would otherwise be unable to do because of the time and cost involved. Study Grants are open to practicising librarian or library technician members who have been personal members for at least two years and have a minimum of three years experience.

The number of awards in any year will depend upon the funds available and the estimated costs of proposals received.

RAY CHOATE SCHOLARSHIP

The Ray Choate scholarship is a biennial award 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 members of ALIA.

YBP/LINDSAY & CROFT RESEARCH AWARD FOR COLLECTION SERVICES

The ALIA YBP/Lindsay & Croft Research Award for Collection Services is a biennial award 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.

Applicants are required to be financial members of ALIA.

[NEW AWARD] TWILA ANN JANSSEN HERR RESEARCH AWARD FOR DISABILITY SERVICES

The Twila Ann Janssen Herr research award is a biennial award which provides an early career practitioner with the opportunity to undertake a research project in the area of library and information services for people with a disability.

Applicants are required to be personal financial members of ALIA early in their career and practising in the sector.

Nomination forms

Nomination forms and further information: http://alia.org.au/awards/ ALIA National Office, PO Box 6335, Kingston 2604 awards@alia.org.au 02 6215 8230

Nominations close 1 June 2006