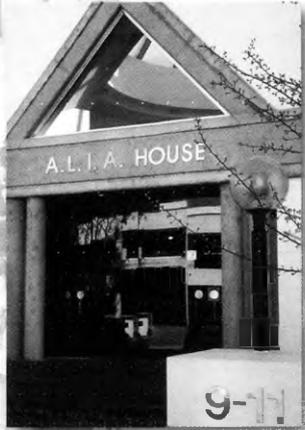


Celebrating 70 years

1937-2007



ALIA House National Office Canberra was officially opened in 1990



Copyright Committee 1996



Unveiling the plans for ALIA House onsite



5th Biennial Conference 1998



Fellows of the Lirary Association of Australia 1897



Sharon Brodrick amongst the membership files, 1994



1988 General Council meeting



ALIA General Council gathered at ALIA House



Kerry Webb "capitalising on knowledge" at 2000 ALIA Conference.



Janet Robinson shows off some new technology



Members of 2002 ALIA Conference Committee

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Australian Institute of Librarians 1st Annual Conference, Sydney 13th June 1938



The 5th Conference, Hobart, 1946



W.H. Ifould, 1st President of AIL, 1937–1938



Delegates inside the Adelaide Conference venue, 1940 (detail)



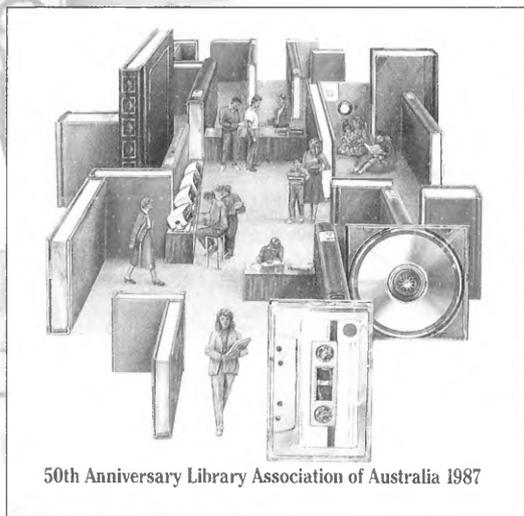
Ellinor Archer, 1st female President of AIL, 1948–1949

ALIA's role in education

ALIA has overseen professional registration and recognition since its formation as the Australian Institute of Librarians in 1937. In 2006, Marie Murphy and Karen McVicker published an article entitled 'ALIA and Education for the Profession', in Education for Library and Information Services : A Festschrift to Celebrate Thirty Years of Library Education at Charles Sturt University. On this, the occasion of the 70th anniversary of ALIA, their paper is well worth revisiting. Following is an abstract.

The article outlines the Association's role in education for librarianship. The tension between technical expertise and general education for librarianship has characterised the development of library education. The Association has wished to both control industrial and educational standards while encouraging diversity, particularly in the period since library education has been offered through tertiary institutions. Some historical background is offered on the development of the professional Association for librarians and its concern for educational standards.

As the standards body for the library and information profession in Australia, ALIA has always been involved in



50th Anniversary Library Association of Australia 1987

Artwork celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Library Association of Australia in 1987.