ALIA National Library & Information Technicians Conference 2007

You've heard about it, you've read about it and now it's just under one month until the conference starts on 9 October! Costs are minimal, with a package that contains free satellite events, a diverse and stimulating program, lunches and teas, and two cocktail parties. A trade exhibition will run concurrently and online registration is open until 8 October at <www.alia07. com/>.

Here is some information about our keynote and invited speakers: Anne Beaumont is Senior Research & Development Coordinator within the Office of eStrategy and Innovation at the State Library of Victoria, and has worked as Application Support Manager and also in special libraries. She will present the keynote address 'Future Directions for Libraries'.

Suzette Boyd is Head of Library and Information Services at Scotch College in Melbourne. She has received various awards, including the ALIA Award for Innovation in a School Library in 1999. Suzette is the author of The Connected Library: A Handbook for Engaging Users (2006) and will present a similarly titled keynote address.

Damian Lodge and Dr Bob Pymm are lecturers in Library and Information Management, Charles Sturt University, Wagga. Their combined research interests include library management and technology and the role of popular culture materials and their place in documenting society. They will co-present a keynote address entitled 'Crossed Wires: Management, Communication and Culture'.

Dr Gillian Hallam is Associate Professor. School of Information Systems at Queensland University of Technology. She has studied internationally and has worked as a library and information manager with major accounting and law firms and at the State Library of Queensland's Business Research + Solutions Queensland service. She will present Friday's keynote address 'Our Future: The 21st-century Library and Information Workforce'.

Dr Annemaree Lloyd is a senior lecturer in the School of Information Studies, Charles Sturt University, and has worked as a NSW TAFE library manager. Her research interests include information literacy in theoretical and applied contexts and preservation and documentary heritage. Annemaree will present the keynote address 'Reaching Beyond the Library Wall: Empowering Workers Through Information Literacy Practice'.

Geraldine Barkworth is a career and personal coach who works with library professionals who want to focus on themselves, their career, their future, work/ life balance and sense of purpose. She has worked in libraries, recruitment and marketing and will present the workshop 'How to Be a Relaxed Over-achiever: Reconnecting With the Big Picture' as a satellite event.

Mary Carroll is a lecturer in the Library and Cultural Services Unit of Victoria University. She has worked as a librarian, language and literacy co-ordinator and teacher. In 2000, she won a Victoria University Vice-Chancellor's Citation for Teaching Excellence, and is undertaking a PhD in education for library technicians. Mary will present the plenary address 'Who Do You Think You Are?'.

Retail consultant Kevin Hennah has worked with public and school libraries since 2002 on maximising productivity of space and improving presentation and image. He has trained staff of over 350 libraries in Australia & New Zealand and is the author of The Victorian Public Libraries' Image Handbook. Kevin will present the plenary address 'Interior design for Libraries' and the workshop 'Shoestring Makeovers'.

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