

QPLA/PLA Conference

Townsville 11–14 October 2009

The Executive Committees of QPLA and PLA have great pleasure in inviting you to the 2009 QPLA/PLA Conference which this year will be held on 11–14 October in Townsville at Jupiters Hotel and Casino. This is the first time that QPLA and PLA have partnered for the annual conference offered by QPLA. The conference is supported by ALIA, and organised by Townsville Library service.

The conference theme is *Change and Challenge*. There will be three broad strands: technology and change, organisational change, and customer and community in a time of change. Keynote speakers will be Dr Michael Stephens (library and information science educator at the Dominican University Illinois, USA), Bernard Salt (trend forecaster for business and government and columnist), and Noel Pearson (Director of Cape York Institute for Policy and Leadership, Indigenous lawyer, activist, and columnist). Other contributing speakers will be drawn from government, library, and community development areas.

To view a draft program, including an innovative program structure and our social activities, or for further information and registration forms, please visit the conference websites <http://www.pla.org.au/conferences.html> or <http://www.qpla.asn.au/>

We look forward to meeting you at the conference.

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People in the Information Profession

Registrations are open for People in the Information Profession, the inaugural conference organised by the CAVAL Human Resources Group. The conference will be held on 15–16 October 2009 at Victoria University, Flinders Street, Melbourne.

The two-day conference will broadly address the theme of reinvigorating the profession and include four streams: Seek and Keep (recruitment and retention), GPS to the Future (planning and forecasting), Got what it takes? (competencies, career, and talent management), and Leadership Development.

Sandi Givens, an award-winning author, conference speaker, and workshop facilitator, will be MC for the two days. Sandi is a leading expert in women's development, teams and leadership, and attaining work/life balance. <http://www.sandigivens.com.au/>

The conference dinner will be held at the Melbourne Aquarium on Thursday October 15; the dinner is included in the conference registration and additional tickets are available for purchase.

The conference is proudly supported by Emerald Publishing, ALIA, and CAVAL. A variety of registration options are available, including discounts for students, CAVAL, and ALIA members as well as shared registrations.

To register, or for more information, please go to:

<http://www.caval.edu.au/information-profession-registration.html>

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