



## AURORA FOUNDATION LAUNCHES NEW EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM

The Aurora Foundation's new program, *The Aurora Institute for Emerging Leaders* is scheduled for 26th-29th July 2010 at Q Station, North Head, Sydney, and will be facilitated by David and Annie McCubbin from coup ([coup.com.au/aboutus.aspx](http://coup.com.au/aboutus.aspx)).

The program has been redesigned around a career development model exploring leadership capability, functional excellence, and critical experiences. Participants will explore their current reality and strengths, the rationale for action, a need for vision, strategy for action and the culture in which we develop as leaders.

The Foundation is also getting ready to offer our first Masterclass on Strategy and Planning later in the year in Sydney, with dates to be advised via our website as soon as they are finalised. The Masterclass will be structured so that it is not location-bound and we plan to take it to New Zealand as well as interstate in 2012.

These new programs are the result of extensive consultation and research over the last 12 months to review the content, structure and contribution to the profession of the Aurora Foundation.

As a result of feedback received, the Aurora Foundation Board has been exploring new options for leadership education and invited feedback from Aurora Alumni, mentors and Chief Executive Sponsors at two consultation workshops held last year in Sydney and New Zealand, at the LIANZA conference. The discussions at the workshops confirmed that we need to update the existing Aurora Leadership Institute program as well as look at options for further programs, particularly in the light of our increasingly networked information world.

In order to enrich our thinking in this area, the Aurora Foundation has joined with the Australian Business Foundation and Dr Marcus Foth, Assoc. Prof. and Principal Research Fellow, Urban Informatics Research Lab, Institute for Creative Industries and Innovation Queensland University of Technology to explore how cultural institutions, including libraries, can drive innovation and sustainability in their operations and what impact this has on leadership, management and community involvement of these organisations. (Dr Foth's discussion paper will be available midyear.)

We are also pleased to announce two new additions to the Aurora Foundation Board: Janine Schmidt and Maureen Lipinski.

The Aurora website has been upgraded and relaunched and application details for the *Emerging Leaders* program will be available on the new site from early April, or you can call Michelle Woolven on 0408 554 999.

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## **AURORA INSTITUTE FOR EMERGING LEADERS**

**Applications are now invited for the Aurora Institute for Emerging Leaders 2011.**

**With fresh content, state-of-the-art approach, mentors, engaging and stimulating presenters and a wonderful venue, the program provides the opportunity for you to:**

- Engage with experts
- Build your knowledge
- Enhance your skills
- Extend your networks
- Expand your horizons
- Capitalise on career opportunities

**Institute details, application forms and eligibility requirements are available at**

**[www.aurorafoundation.org.au](http://www.aurorafoundation.org.au)**

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**Monday, 25 July 2011 to Friday, 29 July 2011.**

**Applications now open**