

## New Year, new faces for top libraries

2012 welcomes in some new faces at some of Australia's major libraries with the appointments of Sue Roberts to the position of Chief Executive Officer and State Librarian of Victoria, Janette Wright's arrival as the new State Librarian of Queensland and, most recently, the announcement of Roxanne Missingham's appointment as the University Librarian at the Australian National University.

Janette Wright commenced at the State Library of Queensland in February as the new Chief Executive Officer and State Librarian. Announcing her appointment, Library Board of Queensland Chairman Professor Roly Sussex said Ms Wright was ideally qualified for the position, being an experienced library professional with an astute business mind.

Janette's previous roles include library management and library supply, most recently heading up CAVAL. The State Library of Queensland is eager to bring her broad knowledge and experience to the organisation's strategic initiatives such as the acclaimed digital cultural centre known as The Edge. Janette will be well-known to many INCITE readers as an active advocate for the profession through both ALIA and CAVAL.

Also in February, Roxanne Missingham took up the appointment of University Librarian at the Australian National University, moving across Canberra from her role as Parliamentary Librarian, a position she has held since late 2005. Roxanne brings to ANU broad experience including stints in many different types of libraries, almost four years as Assistant Director-General, Resource Sharing at the National Library and a term as President of ALIA.

And the State Library of Victoria has appointed a new CEO already well known in the international library community for her focus on the challenges facing the industry in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Sue Roberts will relocate from Wellington this month, where she has most recently held the position of University Librarian at Victoria University, to Melbourne to take up the reins at the State Library of Victoria. Sue has also served as Chair of the Council of New Zealand University Librarians and Director of the Library Consortium of New Zealand.

A published author and leading thinker on the changing role of libraries, Ms Roberts' previous positions include Dean of Learning Services at Edge Hill University in the UK and the Director of SOLSTICE, a national centre for excellence in online learning.

Sue says she is looking forward to meeting her team and getting to know all about Australia's oldest – and most visited – public library which has also just received a \$5.6m funding boost in recognition of the need to respond to increasing visitor numbers and meeting the demand for digitally-delivered information.



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