

A FITTING TRIBUTE

A recent bequest to the State Library of South Australia will make a big difference, funding a new Learning Centre at the library.

A generous bequest of \$100,000 from the estate of former Director of the State Library of South Australia, the late Dr Bronwyn Halliday, was gifted recently to the library.

The cheque was presented at a small ceremony at the library to the current Director, Mr Alan Smith, by Dr Halliday's husband, Judge Simon Stretton. The bequest will be used to create not only a permanent memorial to Dr Halliday, but also a project that is closely aligned with her personal ethos and strong passion for the value for learning.

'Bronwyn always had a passionate interest in reading and the lifelong value it provides children in their education, and throughout their life,' said Judge Stretton.

During her directorship at the State Library from 2002 to 2004, a period of redevelopment of the library, Dr Halliday continued to influence the library by reaching the community through new innovations and technology.

'It is a fitting tribute to a former Director, and champion of the importance of education, that the library honours



Dr Bronwyn Halliday

Bronwyn, her work, her commitment, her passion for education and her wonderful generosity by establishing a Learning Centre on the ground floor of the State Library,' said Alan Smith.

'Bronwyn was an astute financial manager, proudly delivering the redevelopment of the library on budget and on time, and we will be applying her example as we now research further the best development approach for the Learning Centre,' he said.

The Dr Bronwyn Halliday Learning Centre, as the suite at the Kintore Avenue end of the ground floor hub will be known, will include new technologies that will encourage, stimulate and support learning for all members of the community. Training tools and interactive components will be available to be used by children, adults and staff for ongoing professional development and training.



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