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**\$100,000 to uncover Queensland stories**

State Library of Queensland is calling for applications for its annual research fellowships, worth up to \$20,000 each, which encourage new perspectives on the state's history.

Applications are now open nationwide, with seven opportunities totalling \$100,000 as part of the Queensland Memory Awards.

Minister for the Arts Leanne Enoch said the fellowships allow Queensland's diverse stories to be discovered, shared and preserved.

"Our collective stories stretch back more than 40,000 years, and there is still so much to uncover about our state's heritage, culture, places and people," Ms Enoch said.

"Discovering and sharing these stories is key to enriching our understanding of Queensland's past and present."

State Librarian and CEO Vicki McDonald said that as the primary custodian of Queensland's memory, State Library introduced the fellowship program to encourage diverse voices and new ways of using and interpreting SLQ's collections.

"The fellowships are open to all, from researchers and academics to artists, writers, musicians and more," Ms McDonald said.

"In working closely with the library, fellows bring State Library's rich and varied collections to life. Their research inspires us to think differently about our past, present and future."

The 2018 fellowships include:

**John Oxley Library Fellowship (\$20,000 plus 12-month personal work space)** – awarded to support a research project that uses the resources of the John Oxley Library.

**Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship (\$15,000 plus 12-month personal work space)** – awarded to support a research project that contributes to new knowledge of Queensland's economic and/or business history.

**Q ANZAC 100: Memories for a New Generation, four fellowships, including one digital fellowship (\$15,000 each plus 12-month personal work space)** – to encourage new research and interpretations about Queensland's involvement in the First World War or other significant military campaign from the last 100 years.

The Q ANZAC 100 digital fellowship calls for applications that will develop a creative digital experience using digital content from SLQ and other collecting institutions.

**Letty Katts Award (\$5,000 plus 12-month personal work space)** – provides the opportunity for a musician, composer, scholar or researcher to study, experiment and explore new thinking in their art/study, leading to the creation of new knowledge or work/s inspired by Queensland's music history.



For those interested in applying for a 2018 fellowship, State Library is hosting a fellowship information night on Friday 2 March as well as a *Q ANZAC 100* fellows talk on Thursday 8 March.

Applications for all fellowships and residencies open Wednesday 24 January and close Wednesday 21 March.

To submit an application, or for more information on any of the Queensland Memory fellowships, please attend the fellows talk or fellowship information night, or visit [slq.qld.gov.au](http://slq.qld.gov.au).

The winners will be announced on Wednesday 6 June at the annual Queensland Memory Awards ceremony at State Library of Queensland.

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The Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship is an initiative of the Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame, a partnership between State Library of Queensland, Queensland Library Foundation and QUT Business School.

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