



# LINGUIST IN RESIDENCE

## guidelines for entry

### **About State Library's Indigenous Languages Project**

Since 2007 State Library of Queensland has delivered the Indigenous Languages Project funded through the Commonwealth Government's Indigenous Languages and Arts Program. The purpose of the Indigenous Languages Project is to support the preservation, maintenance and revival of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages throughout the state.

State Library supports communities in the revival, documentation and preservation of traditional languages. State Library acknowledges that language heritage and knowledge always remain with the Traditional Owners, Elders, language custodians and other community members of respective language nations.

### **About the residency**

In celebration of the *International Decade of Indigenous Languages 2022-2032* and in recognition of the urgency to protect, support and revitalise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages, the opportunity for a Linguist in residence, as an independent researcher, has been created.

Expressions of Interest are now open for a Linguist in Residence 2021-22. As a language specialist you would be using collections of the John Oxley Library and State Library's extensive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages resources.

### **What should I consider in my application?**

Your application should specifically address how you will be using collection material and/or State Library's Indigenous languages resources in your project.

Your project must support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the revival, maintenance and preservation of their languages.

Your application should also demonstrate how your project will deepen and grow general knowledge about Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages.

In your application, you should articulate a defined outcome for your project that creates something new for a community or communities.

### **What does a residency offer?**

- A supportive environment for extended research and inquiry
- A shared back of house workspace in the Neil Roberts Research Lounge on level 4 of State Library of Queensland
- Research support including accessing and researching the collection
- An honorarium paid in scheduled instalments. The honorarium can be expended at the resident's discretion
- Free Wi-Fi, printing and photocopying
- Access to staff expertise and support
- Access to State Library's collections and resources
- Support in liaising with external stakeholders, including language workers and language centres
- Special borrowing privileges

All researchers (including the Linguist in Residence) must bring in their own laptop computers or digital devices to undertake their work. You will be given an initial orientation and introduction to State Library.

### **What are residents required to do?**

- Participate in Mother Language Day symposium February 2022
- Participate in the Indigenous Languages Research Discovery workshop in February 2022 where you will be working with community researchers on research methodology and using archival material and language resources in the collection
- Participate in the Indigenous Languages Residency Program February 2022
- Present your research as part of the Research Reveals talk series later in 2022
- Contribute at least three (3) articles to State Library's Blog (incorporating the John Oxley Library blog and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures blog)
- Contribute to State Library's social media channels including kuril dhagun twitter and Instagram accounts.
- Provide two (2) reports about your progress to date.
- Deposit a copy of any work produced with the John Oxley Library.
- Be available for publicity purposes relating to your residency, including media interviews and social media engagement.
- Participate in creating a digital story or filmed presentation about your residency.
- Compile and submit an annotated bibliography of the research undertaken and presented to the State Library for use as a research resource at the conclusion of the residency.
- Ensure outcomes of the research undertaken as part of your residency acknowledge the State Library of Queensland.
- Residents are required to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with State Library, detailing payment schedule and other requirements listed above.

### **When does the residency start and finish?**

Applicants must be available to commence residency in early December 2021. The residency is for 6 months and will conclude in May 2022.

## Who can apply?

Established and early career linguists as well as current post-graduate students specialising in linguistics are welcome to apply.

The Linguist in Residence is available to both non-Indigenous and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Applications will be accepted from individuals or teams of two people.

Non-Indigenous applicants must include a supporting letter from an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community or entity that demonstrates your strong commitment to the maintenance and revival of that communities' language/s.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are not required to provide a supporting letter.

Applicants must be residents of Australia and living on mainland Australia.

Applications from groups, University or Australian Research Council (ARC) research teams will not be accepted.

If you are currently in receipt of a funded fellowship or residency from another institution, please indicate this in your application.

If your project has already commenced, you are eligible to apply.

Interstate applications are welcome however onsite use of the Neil Roberts Research Lounge at State Library of Queensland is expected for a portion of the resident's tenure.

If you are a Queensland State Government employee, please provide evidence of the support of your manager (email/letter) with your completed application. State Library of Queensland employees are ineligible to apply.

## How to do I apply?

- Apply via the online application form on the State Library of Queensland website.
- Read the application form carefully, including the criteria for assessment
- Complete the application form.
- All mandatory fields must be completed to submit your application or nomination.
- If you are a non-Indigenous applicant, please also attach a copy of your letter of support with your application form.
- Attach any relevant material to your application and submit.
- **You will receive an email acknowledgement of receipt of your application.**

**Important!** If you do not receive an email acknowledging receipt, please check your spam/junk folder first and then contact the kuril dhagun team immediately at the email address or phone number listed below.

For further information please email: [kdhagun@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:kdhagun@slq.qld.gov.au) or phone: 07 3840 7893

**All completed applications (including any attachments) must be received by State Library no later than 5pm Monday 22 November 2021.**

## **What happens to my application?**

An independent judging panel approved by the State Librarian and CEO will assess all applications. The judging panel may, at their discretion, interview short-listed applicants.

The successful applicant will be notified before any public announcement.

All applicants will be notified in writing as to the outcome of their application, approximately 4 weeks after the closing date.

The decision of the judging panel is final, and no discussion or correspondence will be entered into with regards to the panel's decision.