



STATE LIBRARY OF QUEENSLAND

# QUEENSLAND MEMORY AWARDS

Guidelines:  
Fellowships and residencies

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## The Queensland Memory Awards

The Queensland Memory Awards recognise past and future contributions of individuals and organisations in the investigation, preservation, and celebration of Queensland’s memory – past and present – through residencies, fellowships and awards.

Fellowships and residencies support researchers and creatives of all kinds to interpret the significant collections of the John Oxley Library. Through deep engagement and interaction with the collections, these interpretations provide new insights into the collection and contribute new knowledge about Queensland’s history.

Awards recognise outstanding contributions made to advance our understanding of Queensland’s cultural heritage.

*The Queensland Memory Awards are supported by sponsors and philanthropic donations through the [Queensland Library Foundation](#).*

### Key Dates

20 July 2022	Nominations open
12 Aug 2022	Nominations close
September 2022	Notification of application outcome
October 2022	Recipients announced at the awards ceremony
Jan-Dec 2023	Fellowship period

## RAINBOW RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

### One (1) fellowship of \$15,000.

The inaugural Rainbow Research Fellowship supports research, exploration, and creation of new knowledge about Queensland's LGBTIQ+ histories and communities using the [John Oxley Library](#) and State Library collections and resources.

### Additional information for this category

- Applications from people who identify as LGBTIQ+ are encouraged.

### Selection criteria

<b>Significance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• high-quality, original and creative concept</li><li>• creation of new knowledge about Queensland's LGBTIQ+ histories</li><li>• relevant and timely research, project activities and outcomes</li></ul>
<b>Collection use and creation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• significant use of or contribution to State Library collections</li><li>• supports State Library <a href="#">collecting priorities</a></li><li>• potential for increasing public knowledge of State Library's collections</li></ul>
<b>Impact</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• potential to inspire interest and curiosity in Queensland history, and foster new perspectives</li><li>• potential for tangible public outcome such as creative work, exhibition, lecture, written work, website, performance</li></ul>
<b>Viability</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clearly defined project scope, goals and timelines</li><li>• realistic use of available resources</li><li>• ability of applicant to undertake and deliver project</li></ul>

## WHAT DOES A FELLOWSHIP OFFER?

- A supportive environment for research, inquiry and creation
- A shared back of house workspace in the Neil Roberts Research Lounge on level 4 of State Library of Queensland
- An orientation and introduction to State Library.
- An honorarium paid in scheduled instalments (excluding the John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship). The honorarium can be expended at the fellow's discretion to assist with research, travel and living expenses, for example.
- Free Wi-Fi, printing and photocopying
- Access to staff expertise including connecting fellows with collections.
- Support from the Research Coordinator to assist with day-to-day needs.
- Access to State Library collections and resources
- Special borrowing privileges

## WHAT ARE FELLOWS OR RESIDENTS EXPECTED TO DO?

- The Rainbow Research Fellowship is for 12 months from January to December 2023.
- Contribute at least three (3) articles to State Library's John Oxley Library Blog related to their research.
- Provide two (2) reports about their progress to date.
- Participate in at least one (1) public program related to their research project such as the Research Reveals events.
- 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 fellowship.
- Submit a short report and testimonial at the conclusion of the fellowship outlining the benefit of the experience.
- Deposit a copy of any work produced with the John Oxley Library.
- Be available for publicity purposes relating to their fellowship, including media interviews and social media engagement.
- Participate in creating a digital story or filmed presentation about the fellowship or residency.
- Ensure outcomes of the research undertaken as part of the fellowship acknowledge the State Library of Queensland.
- Fellows are provided with physical space, Wi-Fi and printing access to conduct their research. Fellows will need to bring in their own laptop or digital device to complete their projects.
- Fellows are required to sign an agreement with State Library, detailing payment schedule and other requirements listed above.

## ELIGIBILITY

### WHO CAN APPLY

- Australian residents including interstate residents. It is expected that a portion of your fellowship or residency will occur onsite at State Library.
- Applications are accepted from any discipline or professional background for projects that involve research using State Library collection. This includes but is not limited to, researchers, artists, creatives, filmmakers, digital media practitioners, musicians and composers, curators and arts professionals, writers, independent scholars and other creators.
- Applications from individuals or co-applicants (maximum two individuals) only are accepted.
- Projects that have started or are partly funded through another body are eligible. If your project has received other funding, please indicate this in your application. If you are currently in receipt of a funded fellowship or residency from another institution, please also indicate this in your application.
- Relevant archives or collections in other cultural institutions and companies can also be used.
- If you are a Queensland State Government employee, please provide evidence of the support of your manager (email/letter) with your application.

### WHO CAN'T APPLY

- Applications from University or Australian Research Council (ARC) research teams will not be accepted.
- People who reside outside of Australia.
- Projects that are a component of post graduate studies are not eligible.
- Current State Library of Queensland employees and board members are ineligible to apply.

## HOW TO APPLY

- Complete an online application form via SmartyGrants. Hard copy applications will not be considered.
- Applications open 20 July and close 12 August 2022. A link to SmartyGrants application form will be available via [www.slq.qld.gov.au/qma](http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/qma) once applications open.
- Applications must be received **before 5pm AEST on 12 August 2022**. Late applications or supporting material will not be accepted. You should allow for any time difference, and internet connection or submission issues.
- It is recommended that you preview the application form before the closing date. Mandatory fields, word count limits and file size limits apply. All mandatory fields must be completed to submit.
- Once you start your form, you can save and edit it as many times as you like before submitting it. No changes can be made after submitting it.
- You may submit multiple applications eg for different projects.
- Your application should address the selection criteria and will need to include:
  - short biographical statement and CV (max 3 A4 pages)
  - short description of your project and its relevance
  - short description of how you will use or contribute to John Oxley Library or State Library collections - *see tips below*
  - brief overview of project goals, scope and timelines
  - anticipated outcomes
  - three (3) referees
  - if applicable, details of other funding sources for the project and why fellowship funding is required, and/or details around what stage the project is in if it is not a new project
- You have the option of attaching any supporting material, such as CV or letter of support.
- You will receive an email confirming receipt of your application. **Important:** if you do not receive this email, please check you junk folder and then contact State Library immediately at [fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au) or (07) 3840 7879.

## TIPS TO FIND JOHN OXLEY LIBRARY OR STATE LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

- Search the [Library catalogue](#) (OneSearch)
- Search the [State Library website](#)
- Chat with a Librarian or log a request via [Ask Us](#)
- Contact [fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au)

## HOW ARE APPLICATIONS ASSESSED?

- Each application is checked for completeness and eligibility by State Library of Queensland.
- Eligible applications are then forwarded to an independent judging panel made up of professionals with expertise in the related field.
- Judges read and assess the applications against the selection criteria.
- Judges decide on a shortlist and one successful applicant for each category.
- The panel may require an in-person interview with shortlisted applicants for more information.
- Judges award the applicant with the highest merit against the selection criteria as the successful applicant. Panels must decide on one successful application only per category.
- The judges may, at their discretion, consult with other experts to assist in evaluating the merits of each application, including contacting the applicant's referees.
- The outcomes of the judging process are final, and no discussion or correspondence will be entered into regarding decisions or the judging process.
- Judges may not award a category if there are not applications of suitable merit.
- The names of the judges will be published at the conclusion of the judging process.
- Judges must disclose any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest as soon as they become aware of them. State Library of Queensland records all conflicts of interest, perceived, potential and actual. The conflict of interest is managed by the State Library.

## INFORMATION AND ENQUIRIES

If you have any questions, please contact State Library of Queensland.

Phone: 07 (07) 3840 7879

Email: [fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au)

Web: [www.slq.qld.gov.au](http://www.slq.qld.gov.au)

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRIES

- Complete applications must be received no later than **5pm AEST on 12 August 2022**. Late entries will not be accepted.
- The applicant consents for the applicant's personal information to be used and disclosed where appropriate for editorial, advertising, or promotional purposes in conjunction with the 2022 Queensland Memory Awards and the ongoing Queensland Memory Awards program. The State Library of Queensland will adhere to the privacy principles in the [Information Privacy Act 2009](#) (see Privacy notice below).
- State Library of Queensland reserves the right to change the conditions, cancel, or vary the awards processes at any time, whether before, on, or after the closing date.
- The conduct of inviting applications does not give rise to any legal or equitable relationship.
- In all matters relating to the conditions of applications and judging process, the decisions of the judges and State Library of Queensland are final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Breach of conditions of application may render an application invalid.
- No person will be entitled to claim compensation for loss from State Library of Queensland for any matter in connection with the Queensland Memory Awards, including, but not limited to, a failure by State Library of Queensland to comply with the conditions of application.

## PRIVACY NOTICE

The State Library of Queensland is subject to privacy legislation which applies to the Queensland public sector — the Information Privacy Act 2009. The Information Privacy Act contains a number of privacy principles that set out how agencies must handle personal information.

Further information on the Queensland Government's information privacy scheme can be accessed through the Office of the Information Commissioner.