



STATE LIBRARY OF QUEENSLAND

QUEENSLAND MEMORY AWARDS

Guidelines:
Fellowships and residencies

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The Queensland Memory Awards

The Queensland Memory Awards recognise 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

1 June 2022	Nominations open
8 July 2022	Nominations close
August 2022	Notification of application outcome
October 2022	Recipients announced at the awards ceremony
Jan-Dec 2023	Fellowship period

Fellowships and residencies overview

Open to Australian residents in any discipline or form of expression for projects or research of any kind. 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.

- Christina Boughen OAM Fellowship – \$10,000
- John Oxley Library Fellowship – \$20,000
- Letty Katts Award – \$5,000
- Mittelheuser Scholar in Residence – \$15,000
- Monica Clare Research Fellowship – \$15,000
- Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship – \$15,000

CHRISTINA BOUGHEN OAM FELLOWSHIP

One (1) fellowship of \$10,000.

Awarded to projects that explore Christina Boughen's career and legacy using the Christina Boughen OAM and Robert Boughen OBE papers.

Generously supported by the Boughen Family (Robert, Peter, Shaaron and Sheena Boughen) through the Queensland Library Foundation.

Additional information for this category:

- The fellowship commemorates the life and career of Queensland musician Christina Boughen OAM
- Successful application must make use of the Christina Boughen OAM and Robert Boughen OBE papers during their fellowship.

Selection criteria

Significance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• high quality, original and creative concept• promotes an understanding of Christina Boughen's legacy and contribution to Queensland music and the broader sector• relevant and timely research, project activities and outcomes
Collection use and creation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• significant use of or contribution to State Library collections including evidence of use of Christina Boughen OAM and Robert Boughen OBE papers• supports State Library collecting priorities• potential for increasing public knowledge of State Library's collections
Impact <ul style="list-style-type: none">• potential to inspire interest and curiosity in Queensland music history, and foster new perspectives• potential for tangible public outcome such as creative work, exhibition, lecture, written work, website, performance
Viability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• clearly defined project scope, goals and timelines• realistic use of available resources• ability of applicant to undertake and deliver project

JOHN OXLEY LIBRARY FELLOWSHIP

One (1) fellowship of \$20,000.

Awarded annually to support projects that uncover Queensland's rich and diverse history using the resources of the [John Oxley Library](#) and State Library of Queensland.

Additional information for this category

- Applicants may opt to also be considered for the John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship during the application process in SmartyGrants. Fellows receive the same benefits as the John Oxley Library Fellowship, however there is no bursary for the Honorary Fellowship.
- The Honorary Fellowship may be offered to the first shortlisted applicant after the winner of this Fellowship.

Selection criteria

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

LETTY KATTS AWARD

One (1) fellowship of \$5,000.

Awarded biennially to support projects that uncover Queensland's music history using the resources of the [John Oxley Library](#) and State Library of Queensland. It gives creatives and researchers of all disciplines the opportunity to study, experiment and explore new thinking, leading to the creation of new knowledge or work inspired by Queensland's music history.

Generously supported by Dr Stanton Mellick OAM ED and Professor Jill Mellick through the Queensland Library Foundation.

Additional information for this category

- The Letty Katts Award is for 6 months from January to June.
- The Award commemorates Queensland songwriter and musician Violet Mellick (stage name Letty Katts).

Selection criteria

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

MITTELHEUSER SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

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

Awarded annually to a leading thinker for the development of ideas, tools, strategies or services that benefit both Queensland's GLAM (galleries, libraries, archives and museums) sector and State Library of Queensland.

Supported by Dr Cathryn Mittelheuser AM through the Queensland Library Foundation.

Selection criteria

Significance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• high-quality, original and creative concept• demonstrated, relevant experience in working with cultural heritage and/or the GLAM sector• creation of new knowledge or resources that are directly relevant to the needs of the Queensland GLAM sector• relevant and timely research, project activities and outcomes
Impact <ul style="list-style-type: none">• contributes to the development of key capabilities within the Queensland GLAM sector and State Library of Queensland staff• potential for tangible public outcome such as lecture, resource, or other professional development activity for GLAM sector and State Library staff
Viability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• clearly defined project scope, goals and timelines• realistic and sustainable use of available resources• ability of applicant to undertake and deliver project

MONICA CLARE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

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

Awarded annually to people who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander to research, explore and create new knowledge about Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures using the [John Oxley Library](#) and State Library collections and resources.

Additional information about this category

- State Library's [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Collections Commitments](#) details our commitment and approach to providing greater access and use of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander collections.
- State Library's collections have predominantly featured material created about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, but not from the perspective of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. State Library must address this imbalance to ensure our collections reflect a diversity of experiences and perspectives from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Projects for this fellowship may respond more to 'collection creation' – through new work or acquisitions – over 'collection use' in the relevant selection criteria.
- Entries must include a copy of a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent/Letter of Confirmation with a common seal from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander incorporated community organisation OR a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent statutory declaration form.

Selection criteria

Significance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• high-quality, original and creative concept• creation of new knowledge about Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander history and culture in Queensland• relevant and timely research, project activities and outcomes
Collection use and creation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• significant use of or contribution to State Library collections – refer to additional information section above.• supports State Library collecting priorities• potential for increasing public knowledge of State Library's collections
Impact <ul style="list-style-type: none">• potential to inspire an interest in Queensland history, and foster new perspectives• potential to connect State Library and First Nations communities• potential for tangible public outcome such as creative work, exhibition, lecture, written work, website, performance
Viability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• clearly defined project scope, goals and timelines• realistic use of available resources• ability of applicant to undertake and deliver project

QUEENSLAND BUSINESS LEADERS HALL OF FAME FELLOWSHIP

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

Awarded annually to support project that uncover and create new knowledge about Queensland's business and economic history using the resources of the [John Oxley Library](#) and State Library of Queensland.

The [Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame](#) is an initiative of [QUT Business School](#), State Library of Queensland and the [Queensland Library Foundation](#).

Selection criteria

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

WHAT DOES A FELLOWSHIP OR RESIDENCY 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 fellowship period is 12 months from January to December 2023. The Letty Katts Award is 6 months from January to June 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 or residency, 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 or residency 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 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 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 1 June and close 8 July. A link to SmartyGrants application form will be available via www.slq.qld.gov/qma once applications open.
- Applications must be received **before 5pm AEST on 8 July**. 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 nominate for more than one category.
- 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 (except for Mittelheuser Scholar in Residence) - *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 a letter of support.
- You will receive an email confirming receipt of your application. **Important:** if you do not receive this email, please check your junk folder and then contact State Library immediately at 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
- Attend the Fellowship Information Night on 8 June 2022 (onsite and online)

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 judges may, at their discretion, move an application to an additional or different category if they feel the application is more relevant or also relevant to that category.
- 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

Web: www.slq.qld.gov.au

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRIES

- Complete applications must be received no later than **5pm AEST on 8 July 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.