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\$60,000 in fellowships for Queensland researchers

Applications for State Library of Queensland's annual research fellowships are now open.

This year the inaugural \$10,000 Place Making Fellowship will be offered to support research on important historical sites around Queensland. Brisbane's Peters Ice Cream Factory will be the first iconic site to be researched.

All fellowships encourage new perspectives on Queensland history, and form part of State Library's prestigious Queensland Memory Awards.

Previous fellows have uncovered fascinating aspects of the motor industry, political ephemera, jazz, the Great Artesian Basin, and land ballots.

Prospective applicants can attend an information night on Thursday 7 March to hear more about the application process and insights from current State Library fellows.

Applications close 5pm Thursday 28 March. Winners will be announced at a ceremony in May.

Visit <u>www.slq.qld.gov.au</u> to apply.

The 2019 Queensland Memory Awards include:

- John Oxley Library Fellowship (\$20,000 plus 12-month residency): research project that uses John Oxley Library resources
- Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship (\$15,000 plus 12-month residency): research project that contributes to new knowledge about Queensland's economic and/or business history
- Mittelheuser Scholar-in-Residence (\$15,000 plus 12-month residency) (no application required): recognises a leading cultural thinker
- Place Making Fellowship (\$10,000 plus 12-month residency): research project on the legacy of Brisbane's Peters Ice Cream Factory
- John Oxley Library Award (nomination form): recognises an outstanding contribution by an individual in documenting and sharing Queensland's history
- John Oxley Library Community History Award (\$5,000) (nomination form): recognises an outstanding contribution by a community organisation in preserving and sharing Queensland's history.

The Mittelheuser Scholar-in-Residence is supported by Dr Cathryn Mittelheuser AM through the Queensland Library Foundation.

The John Oxley Library Award and John Oxley Library Community History Award are gifted by the Library Board of Queensland and the Queensland Library Foundation.





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Interviews and images are available on request.

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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.

The Place Making Fellowship is gifted by Sekisui House Australia and West Village Brisbane Group.

Quotes from State Librarian and CEO Vicki McDonald:

"State Library's fellowship program encourages people from diverse backgrounds to uncover and interpret Queensland history."

"The fellowships provide researchers an opportunity to interpret State Library's collections, creating new knowledge about our state."

"It is important that State Library continues to build knowledge from a range of perspectives, so we are hoping to see more applications from women and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people this year."

"The fellowships are open to people of all disciplines; whether you are an academic, artist, musician or writer, we want you to apply."

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