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## Public Libraries Summit has a date!

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The public libraries seminar has a new date—Thursday 16 July.

The seminar, which was originally to have been held on March 26, was postponed as many of the invitees were affected by events such as the bushfires, flood and the Queensland elections and the Global Financial crisis.

The summit, to be held at the National Library of Australia in Canberra, is themed 'setting a national agenda' and is designed so that decision-makers and people who influence areas of government policy relating to libraries are participating. For this reason the summit is an invitation-only event, although individuals and library groups have been invited to make submissions.



Senator Ursula Stephens (left), the Parliamentary secretary assisting the Prime Minister for Social Inclusion, who is making the opening address, has confirmed she can make the new date.

ALIA vice president Jan Richards says that the response to the seminar has been really positive and there have already been lots of fantastic submissions. 'Officially submissions have closed, but people are welcome to view the existing submissions and to note any additional topics or subjects which could be extended,' she told *ALN*. 'For instance' Richards says 'There was already a submission on the importance of reading' and someone has already suggested that be extended to include bibliotherapy (the use of reading as a way of overcoming social and emotional problems).

The summit is being held at the National Library of Australia in Canberra. To view submissions to date visit the [Summit](#) page on the ALIA website.

## New editor for ALN

Thorpe-Bowker is pleased to announce that Sue McKerracher has been appointed as the new editor of Australian Library News.

'Sue has a strong background in the library sector, combined with years of experience as a journalist and editor of trade magazines,' said Thorpe-Bowker publisher Tim Coronel. 'She comes to ALN with tremendous energy and enthusiasm and we're sure she will engage with the library community and will ensure that Australasia's only independent weekly library newsletter improves and grows.'

'I would also like to thank Susie Kennewell for stepping in at short notice and compiling ALN for the past three months,' Coronel added.

McKerracher will take up her role from the 16 April issue of ALN. She can be contacted at email [aln@thorpe.com.au](mailto:aln@thorpe.com.au) or tel 0404-456-749.

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## Rare Schindler's List copy found in NSW library

A rare copy of 'Schindler's List', the 13-page list drawn up in the final days of World War II by Oskar Schindler, listing the Jewish people he saved from Nazi death camps, has been discovered at the New South Wales State Library.

The list was given to author Thomas Keneally by a shop owner in Los Angeles, from whom he was buying a briefcase. Leopold Pfferrerberg was one of the hundreds of people Schindler helped to escape the camps and was 'Jewish worker number 173' on the list. The list inspired Keneally's 1982 Booker Prize winning book [Schindler's Ark](#) (and the subsequent film *Schindler's List*).

On the completing his book, Keneally sold his research notes (and the list) to a manuscript dealer, who sold six cartons of the papers to the library twelve years ago. Neither the dealer or the library knew the list was amongst the boxes.

The NSW State Library only recently discovered the yellowing list wedged between German newspaper clippings and Keneally's research notes.

None of the original copies of the list is still in existence and the News South Wales State library copy is one of only a handful of carbon copies in around the world.

The library's co-curator Dr Olwen Pyke described the list as 'one of the most powerful documents of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.' 'The list was hurriedly typed on 18 April 1945, in the closing days of the Second World War, and it saved 801 men from the gas chambers.' she told The *Independent* newspaper.

Schindler was a non-Jewish German industrialist who risked his life to save about 1200 Jews from the gas chambers. He was a card-carrying Nazi who persuaded officials that workers from the camps were vital to the war effort being carried out in his factories.

The list will be on display at the State Library of New South Wales until November.

## World Book and Copyright Day

Don't forget April 23 is World Book and Copyright Day. It will be the 14<sup>th</sup> such day, since it was proclaimed in the 1995 UNESCO World Conference in order to promote greater awareness of the importance of books in the world.

This year, UNESCO suggests that librarian organizations explore the vital role of books in the development of quality education, as well as the link between publishing and fundamental rights.



The idea for the day of celebration stems from Catalonia where on Saint George's Day a rose is traditionally given as gift for each book sold. April 23 is also the day on which a number of authors were born or died. Cervantes, Shakespeare and Inca Garcilaso de la Vega all died on April 23. It is also the date of birth or death of other prominent authors such as Maurice Druon, K.Laxness, Vladimir Nabokov, Josep Pla and Manuel Mejía Vallejo.

The State Library of Victoria is launching a major new exhibition called *The Independent Type: Books and Writing in Victoria* on Thursday 23rd April 2009 to celebrate Melbourne's new status as a UNESCO City of Literature. The exhibition will explore the history of writing in the state of Victoria from pre-contact times until the present day. More information is available at <http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/goto/independent-type-in-April-2009>.

Melbourne Conversations is launching a public meeting with the philosopher and writer Alain De Botton. The event will be held on Thursday April 23, at 6.30 pm at RMIT Storey Hall Auditorium, Melbourne. Reservations and information: [events@readings.com.au](mailto:events@readings.com.au).

World Book and Copyright Day posters are downloadable from [www.unesco.org/culture/bookday](http://www.unesco.org/culture/bookday).

### ALIA launches mentoring program

The Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) has launched a new research mentoring program to help librarians continue to keep pace with the constantly evolving needs to the clients and the communities they serve.

The initiative, which is a direct response to requests in the members' survey, will allow four librarians or library technicians to receive expert coaching and guidance as they research a library or information issue.

To qualify, applicants must have been personal financial members of ALIA for at least two years, and not already be holding research or teaching positions.

As part of the program, they will join regular teleconferences and other program activities and will be matched with a mentor who is experienced in conducting research.

Successful applicants will have to submit a research proposal within two months of starting the program and when they have finished, they have to submit a report which suitable for publication in *The Australian Library Journal* or other ALIA materials.

Applications for the research mentoring program close on April 15. For more information visit [www.alia.org.au/research/](http://www.alia.org.au/research/)

### Reading on and off the Field

The UK's Premier League Reading Stars program is up for its eleventh year—harnessing the powerful pull of celebrity sportsmen to encourage kids to read.

This year, goalkeepers represent more than half of the selected players (11 out of 20) and the list includes big-name internationals such as Wayne Rooney and Jamie Carragher.



Crusader Rugby stars promoting the reading crusade at the New Brighton library, New Zealand.

Some of the players have even written their own books. Everton goalkeeper Carlo Nash has written a book called *Luxury Backpackers* and Mark Schwarzer has a continuing series of Megs Morrison football titles, with a second book in the series called *Scarves and Sombreros*.

Each club selects a Reading Star, who selects a favourite book, which becomes part of the twenty-book list. Each club also selects at least one library to receive a set of the selected titles and families have the chance to meet their Reading Star, and get involved in a series of football-based literary events throughout the initiative.

In Christchurch, New Zealand, a similar program utilizes the Crusader Rugby stars to hook kids into the Christchurch City Libraries Reading Crusade. The Crusade has proved a great success—this year more than 24,000 took part in the challenge to read at least six books during the campaign.

### Ambassador program pilot is up and running

In an effort to encourage libraries to join in the Ambassador program to help promote their library services, the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) has set up a pilot program.

Twenty libraries from varied settings across Australia have been elected to participate in the program. Pages demonstrating the pilot programs' ambassadors, events, activities and programs will be on the ALIA website in the next few weeks. Keep an eye on the [Ambassador program](http://www.alia.org.au/ambassador-program/) website.

### LIANZA calls for nominations

Ali Smith, the secretary of the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearora (LIANZA), is calling for nominations for the LIANZA Council for the 2009-2010 year.

Nominations are being sought for high-calibre people to fulfill the following roles: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Aoraki Councillor, Hikuwai Councillor, Te Upoko o te Ika a Maui Councillor.

Nominations will close Friday April 17 at 5pm. For more information visit <http://www.lianza.org.nz/>

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### ALLG reinvents itself as ALLA

The Australian Law Librarians' Group (ALLG) has been renamed, has a new website and is working on its annual conference at which it will launch a book celebrating its 40-year history.



John Botherway  
National President

ALLG, is now known as the Australian Law Librarians' Association (ALLA) will be holding its annual conference in Darwin from September 2-4. To celebrate the anniversary of the association and the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Charles Darwin, the theme of the conference will be Evolution.

ALLA national president John Botherway (left) said the conference committee from the Northern Territory and South Australia is putting together 'a diverse and exciting program and I urge everyone to get along to what promises to be a great conference in a fascinating and unique location.'

The conference will also include the launch of a book celebrating ALLA's history, which is being co-authored by Fiona Brown and Don Barker. For a detailed program, visit [www.alla.asn.au](http://www.alla.asn.au)

### Plan your career development

Don't just let your working life roll along—take matters into your own hands by attending the career development workshop, hosted by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) in Canberra on May 11.

The workshop is designed for those evaluating where they are in their career, or looking for strategies to develop and/or change their career. It will include a broad overview of the sector and insights into career development experiences of people working or who have worked in the library and information sector.

An essential part of the day is a personal analysis of career development and is applicable to all work levels: from library students right through to management positions. For more information visit [www.alia.org.groups/urlsact/](http://www.alia.org.groups/urlsact/)

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### Quote of the Week

'My friend and I had a competition at school to see who could find the most irrelevant book. He won with a book in Russian that hadn't been borrowed since 1963, and we were fascinated by that. You can't replace that, no matter how high-tech things get. That's why libraries are so important – they remind you that every book written contributes to this pool of knowledge. I was delighted when my first book was put in a library. No one's ever borrowed it but it made it feel that the book had become part of the fabric of community.'—*Mark Watson, author and comedian.*

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## PUBLICS

### Australian of the Year—in conversation



Australian of the Year, Professor Mick Dodson AM, will be in conversation with ABC's Mark Bowling at the Northern Territory Library on 21 April.

A vigorous advocate of the rights and interests of the Indigenous people of the world, Dodson participated in crafting the 'Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples' with the United Nations Working Group.

Some of the subjects up for discussion are: practical reconciliation; working with the United Nations' school attendance; and the challenges of the world stage.

The event will be held at the Northern Territory Library, Parliament House, Tuesday April 21 at 12.10pm. The session is free, but bookings are preferred on 1800 019 155 or [libraryevents@nt.gov.au](mailto:libraryevents@nt.gov.au).

### Charles Darwin through his letters

Paul Brunton, curator of the Charles Down Under 1836 exhibition at the State Library of New South Wales, will present a lively talk on Charles Darwin and his lifetime, as seen through his correspondence.

As he travelled on the *Beagle*, Darwin was kept informed of momentous events happening back in England—such as the abolition of slavery—by several correspondents.

Brunton's talk is Tuesday April 21, 12.30-1.30pm, Metcalfe Auditorium, Macquarie Street wing, State Library of NSW. <http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/>

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### Dancing at the Library



*Tamara Tchinarova Finch as a Gypsy in Petrouchka, Ballets Russes 1930s.*  
Picture courtesy of the National Library of Australia

Rarely seen items from the National Library of Australia's Ballets Russes collection, the largest of its kind in Australia, will be on display from today, 9 April.

This special collection-in-focus features more than 100 items and concentrates on three themes: the artists who created the Ballets Russes and its experimental productions; the dancers who captivated Australian audiences; and the Australian artists whom they inspired.

'This is the first major Ballets Russes event for the National Library,' said Curator of Dance Lee Christofis. 'The exhibition includes images from a rare collection of live-action shots taken from the dress circle of about 30 ballets in His Majesty's Theatre in Melbourne.'

'We also have fine examples of Max Dupain's portraits of the dancers, theatre designs as well as paintings and drawings by the dancers themselves', he added.

The exhibition celebrates the centenary of the debut of the Ballets Russes and features a tribute to Russian impresario Serge Diaghilev whose inaugural Ballets Russes (1909-1929) revolutionised ballet for the rest of the twentieth

century. From photographs, paintings and drawings of dancers on stage and in rehearsal, to more personal mementos of life outside the spotlight, the display looks at the Ballets Russes companies which dazzled Australia from the mid-1930s, bringing an exotic show of dance never before seen on these shores.



*Serge Ismailoff, Anna Volkova, Oleg Tupine and Tamara Tchinarova, Paul Petroff (behind), Ballet Russe Australia, 1937.* Picture courtesy of the National Library of Australia

The Ballets Russes in Australia 1936-40 is open from today in the National Library of Australia Visitor Centre, various floors, during library hours.

### State Library of SA launches new website

The State Library of South Australia has launched a new website which makes it easier, faster and more practical to use.

Features of the new website include: a record of virtually all the material held by the library; links to search boxes of other South Australian institutions; and links to Amazon from the catalogued record so that the review and sometimes the full text can be viewed.

It also includes search tools such as relevance ranked results, alternative suggestions in case of inadvertent misspelling and the option of limiting searches to particular categories of materials such as photographs, magazines or journals.

To view the new website go to <http://www.slsa.sa.gov.au/site/page.cfm>

## CATALOGUED

### Intimate letters of NZ's most remarkable women travellers



New Zealand biographer Joanne Drayton will be talking about the wonderful personal correspondence archives she has unearthed during her research, at the Archives and Records Association of New Zealand (ARANZ) lecture to highlight the ARANZ Records and Archives Week 2009.

Drayton, whose books include [Ngaio Marsh: Her Life in Crime](#) and [Frances Hodgkins: A Private Viewing](#) will talk about the different characters she has uncovered and how their letter writing unmasks their personalities.

Her talk—which would be of interest to artists, writers, jurists and historians, as well as people working in archives, records and information—is on May 5, from 5.45pm-7.30pm at the Training Suite, Archives of New Zealand, Mulgrave St, Wellington. For more information visit <http://www.aranz.org.nz/SITE/events/default.aspx>

## ALN News

### Constitution Day 9 July

The National Archives is commemorating Constitution Day on 9 July with a series of events and activities to celebrate.

The day marks the anniversary of the colonies coming together to form a nation and being formally recognized when Queen Victoria signed the Commission of Assent, so that the Australian Constitution became law.

There will be kids activities, talks, citizen ceremonies and the launch of Making Australia Home, a project to make migration records available online.

For more information visit [www.naa.gov.au/whats-on/constitution-day/index.aspx](http://www.naa.gov.au/whats-on/constitution-day/index.aspx)

### Corny Library Cards

In an effort to be environmentally responsible, San Francisco's Public Library is going to offer unlaminated corn eco-cards. The library is kicking off a test program next month with an initial run of 15,000 cards.

Of interest to library staff will be how the environmentally-minded cards stand up to the rigors of being in people's wallets and handbags.

San Francisco Public library spokesperson Michelle Jeffers told *Library News*: 'We want to know how it works in your wallet and what happens if it gets wet.'

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## WHAT'S ON

## CONFERENCES

**The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual West Australian Science Fiction Convention**

April 9-13

All Seasons Hotel, Northbridge,  
Perth<http://2009.swancon.com.au/>**ATSILRN conference**

April 15-16

Broome

<http://www1.aiatsis.gov.au/atsilrn/home/index.html>[mjackson@sl.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mjackson@sl.nsw.gov.au)**Subject/Liaison librarian Workshop**

April 15-16

Tauranga Bay of Plenty  
Polytechnic, New Zealand[www.library.boppoly.ac.nz](http://www.library.boppoly.ac.nz)[margaret.jenner@boppoly.ac.nz](mailto:margaret.jenner@boppoly.ac.nz)**Next Chapters: Public Libraries for Older Adults in Australia and New Zealand**

May 1-2

State Library of NSW

[www.auslib.com.au](http://www.auslib.com.au)[info@auslib.com.au](mailto:info@auslib.com.au)**New Zealand Law Librarian's Association (NZLLA)****Symposium**

May 7-8

Auckland University of  
Technology (AUT) City Campus  
Conference Centre.[www.nzlla.org.au/](http://www.nzlla.org.au/)**Public libraries: Building futures. Public libraries SA 2009 Biennial Conference**

May 18-19

Hyatt Regency, Adelaide

Teresa Brook, (08) 8348 2324

**Ninth Australian Library History Conference: Melbourne**

June 25-27

Prahran campus, Swinburne

University, Centre for the Book

[www.centre.forthe.book@arts.monash.edu.au](http://www.centre.forthe.book@arts.monash.edu.au)**Setting a National agenda: ALIA Public Libraries Summit**

July 16

National Library of Australia,  
Canberra<http://www.alia.org.au/governance/committees/public.libraries/summit09/>**The Limits of the Book: Bibliographical Society of Australia and New Zealand Annual Conference**

July 20-22

The University of Queensland,  
Brisbane.[www.library.uq.edu/fryer/limits//](http://www.library.uq.edu/fryer/limits//)**10th International Congress on Medical Librarianship (ICML) 2009**

August 31-September 4

Brisbane Convention and  
Exhibition Centre[www.icml2009.com](http://www.icml2009.com)**ALLA Evolution Conference**

September 2-4

Darwin Convention Centre

<http://www.alla.asn.au/>**ALIA 2009 National Library and Information Technicians Conference**

September 15-18

Adelaide Convention Centre

<http://www.alia.org.au/libtec2009/>**Engage. Explore. Celebrate: ASLA XXI Biennial Conference 2009**

September 29-October 2

Perth Convention and Exhibition  
Centre<http://www.asla.org.au/pd/conference/>**LIANZA 2009 conference**

October 12-14

Christchurch Convention Centre

<http://lianza.org.nz/events/conference2009/>Australian Society of Archivists  
2009 Conference

Brisbane, October 15-17

[www.archives.sa.gov.au/events/index.html](http://www.archives.sa.gov.au/events/index.html)**SWITCH: public libraries in a changing environment**

November 23-25

Sydney Convention and Exhibition  
Centre <http://www.plmns.org.au/>**AUTHOR LIBRARY VISITS****Andrew McMillan** – *An Intruder's Guide to East Arnhem Land***The Northern Territory Library, Parliament House, Darwin**

April 16, 12.10pm

**Garry O'Neill-Terrace** *End*

Book Launch,

Palmerston North library,  
New Zealand

April 16, 12.noon

<http://citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz/>**Manawatu Women Writers****Assoc.- Red Alert** Book launch

Palmerston North City library

April 17, 6.30pm

<http://citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz/>**Les Murray and Judith Beveridge**Fisher Library, University of  
Sydney

April 21, 2pm

[www.library.usyd.edu.au/](http://www.library.usyd.edu.au/)**Sophie Thomson**-*From the ground up*

Flinders University Library

May1, 3.30pm

<http://blogs.flinders.edu.au/library/2009/03/31/Fridays-at-the-library/>**Francis Watts and David Legge-***Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books.*Tuggerong Library, Canberra, ACT  
May 4, 11.15am-12.15am<http://actpubliclibrary.blogspot.com>**Joanne Drayton**- *Ngaio Marsh- Her life in crime*Training Suite, Archives of New  
Zealand, Mulgrave St, Wellington

May 5, 5.45pm-7.30pm

<http://www.aranz.org.nz/SITE/events/default.aspx>

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## AUTHOR LIBRARY VISITS CONTINUED...

Philip Jones- *Ochre and Rust*  
Northern Territory Library,  
Parliament House  
May 14, 5pm  
<http://www.ntl.nt.gov.au/news>

## EVENTS

### Is Jane Austin taking over the world?

Noted Austen scholar Susannah Fullerton talks about the Austin phenomenon .  
Thursday April 16  
Woden Library, Phillip,  
Canberra,ACT  
<http://actpubliclibrary.blogspot.com>

### Research Seminar and Historian's Seminar

Launch of the Queensland State Archives 2009 Regional Exhibition  
Tour followed seminar)  
Experimedia, State Library of  
Victoria  
Rockhampton Regional Library.  
Bolsover St. Rockhampton  
April 17, 10am-1.30pm  
[www.archives.qld.gov.au/events\\_2009/asp#apr-res](http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/events_2009/asp#apr-res)

### Making cultures current

Discussion with Patrick Watt  
(Sports Museum), Robin Plenty  
(Victorian Arts Centre) and  
Margaret Griffith (Melbourne  
Museum)  
Experimedia, State Library of  
Victoria  
April 21, 6-7pm  
[www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/what\\_s\\_on/2009/wo\\_0904\\_e.htm](http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/what_s_on/2009/wo_0904_e.htm)

### World Book and Copyright Day

April 23  
[www.unesco.org/culture/bookday](http://www.unesco.org/culture/bookday)

### Bayside Literary Festival

May 22-31  
[www.bayside.vic.gov.au/council](http://www.bayside.vic.gov.au/council)

### Library & Information Week

May 25-31  
[www.alia.org.au/advocacy/liw](http://www.alia.org.au/advocacy/liw)

### National Library Technician's Day

May 26  
Australia-wide  
[www.alia.org](http://www.alia.org)

### National Simultaneous Storytime

May 27  
Australia-wide, 11 am  
<http://www.alia.org.au/advocacy/storytime/2009/>

### Reading Youth Matters Day

May 28, 9.30am-2.45pm  
State Library of Victoria and Storey  
Hall,  
[www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/schools/reading/index.html](http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/schools/reading/index.html)

### Constitution Day

July 9,  
National Archives of Australia  
[www.naa.gov.au/whats-on/constitution-day/index.aspx](http://www.naa.gov.au/whats-on/constitution-day/index.aspx)

## EXHIBITIONS

### Ballet Russes collection

**Various levels**  
National Library of Australia  
Parkes Place, Canberra.  
April 9 onwards

### Mawson and the Antarctic

Treasures Wall  
State Library of South Australia  
Until April 30

### WA Press Photographer of the Year Awards 2009

Mezzanine level, State Library of  
Western Australia  
Until April 30

### An Impressive Silence – Public Memory and Personal

**Experience of the Great War**  
Archives New Zealand, Wellington  
Until May 29

### Charles Darwin Down Under

State Library of NSW  
Until July 26  
[www.sl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au)

### In Living Memory: an exhibition of photographs from the Aborigines Welfare Board

NSW regional tour, State Records  
of NSW, until September 2010.

### Shakespeare: an exhibition of treasures from Auckland City Libraries

Physical exhibition: Central Library  
Auckland, until May 31

### Exhibition of Leonardo's da Vinci's *Codex Atlanticus*

Level 3, Fisher Library, University  
of Sydney Library

### Mirror of the World: books and ideas

Rare, beautiful and historical books  
from the library's collections are  
showcased.  
Dome Galleries, Level 4  
State Library of Victoria  
[www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/what\\_s\\_on/2009/wo\\_0904\\_e.html](http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/programs/what_s_on/2009/wo_0904_e.html)

### The Independent Type: Books and Writing in Victoria

April 24–October 25  
State Library of Victoria  
328 Swanston Street, Melbourne  
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