

e-Bulletin

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Hi OHAA (Qld) members, this is the first of your E-Bulletins. They will appear in your IN boxes on a monthly basis (subject to information). If we don't have enough we may skip a month. If you have information to share we would love to receive it. Being succinct is a big plus! An occasional newsletter will also appear which will carry longer articles and photos and of course there is also the Blog for you to post information and to check out.

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1. SE Qld Small Museums Conference 21-23 October

The conference will be held at the historic Kirra Hill Community and Cultural Centre, 1 Powell St, Coolangatta. The program features a range of speakers, including Dr Janis Wilton OAM (well-known to many as an oral history teacher, practitioner and winner of the Hazel De Burgh award for services to oral history) who will be the keynote speaker. The conference, hosted by Gold Coast City Council, is not yet on their website but the program can be forwarded to you if you contact smaurer@goldcoast.qld.gov.au more details will follow in future E Bulletins.

- Have you used this great research tool? The National Library of Australia has announced the latest edition of the invaluable research tool **Trove**, Trove 4.0. Not only has the homepage been redesigned to become more user-friendly, but researchers can now use Trove to search across millions of articles from GALE and Informit. Check it out! Visit Trove.
- 3. The Organising Committee is pleased to announce the Interpretation Australia and Museums Australia 2011 National Conference At the Frontier: Exploring the Possibilities to be held on Monday 14 Friday 18 November 2011 in Perth, Western Australia. For further details visit their site www.atthefrontier2011.com.au

- Capturing Memories Oral History In The Digital Age with experienced oral historians Trish Levido and Carol McKirdy. Saturday 27 August Full Day Workshop in collaboration with the Royal Australian Historical Society Location: History House, 133 Macquarie Street, Sydney
- 5. Manager production and broadcast (link to job ad) Do you have exceptional audio-visual production and broadcast skills and strong client management skills? If so, the Integrated Communications Branch at Queensland Health is looking for you. Apply through Smart Jobs and Careers on Govnet in response to job ad reference H11HL06231. The position is open to all existing Queensland Government employees. Applications close on Wednesday 6 July 2011. If you would like more information, please contact Craig Brown on 3234 0155 or 0400 132 439.
- 6. Australian Generations Oral History Project is seeking participants across Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia In a new national project, historians at Monash and La Trobe Universities, in partnership with ABC Radio National and the National Library of Australia, are collecting life story interviews with generations of Australians born from the 1920s to the 1980s. People can register their interest in participating by phone, email, online or in writing:PHONE: (03) 9905 2206, EMAIL: kate.quinn@monash.edu, ONLINE: www.arts.monash.edu.au/australian-generations
- 7. Good News for Community Heritage Grants from the Federal Government. In the recent Federation of Australian Historical Societies (FAHS) Newsletter, the FAHS President, Don Garden, provided this editorial on the federal budget:

"The recent federal budget contains both bad and good news for the historic heritage community, including historical societies.

The Heritage Division of the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities has received a 30% funding cut which will inevitably result in staff losses and curtailed functions and programmes. On the positive side, a number of important programmes such as the National Historic Sites grants have been retained.

Of particular interest to community heritage groups is the provision of \$4 million in each of the next two years for Community Heritage Grants. The details of these competitive grants have not yet been announced, but it is understood that they will be for cultural heritage projects and for some forms of functional assistance to community groups.

It was announced that the grants program is aimed at helping the community tell its heritage stories, enhancing community engagement in heritage, bringing heritage online, and protecting national heritage assets. The program will make grants available to local governments, businesses, institutions and non-government organisations to build a sense of community and shared experience in their local area, thereby fostering a greater sense of inclusion for all citizens and more vibrant community life. The program also encourages communities to identify and manage significant heritage within a local, regional and national context, and to use this heritage to enrich their lives."