

LAA Study Grant Awards for 1986

THE LIBRARY Association of Australia will make funds available each year to support practising librarians wishing to undertake a study project. The number of awards in any year will depend upon the funds available and the estimated costs of proposals received.

The Association's intention in offering study grants is to provide an opportunity for librarians to undertake projects they would otherwise be unable to do because of the time and costs involved.

Conditions

- Available to a practising librarian in a supervisory or middle management position, with a minimum of three years' experience in library and information work.

- For the purpose of undertaking a study program on a selected library/information issue or problem of present and future relevance to the development and improvement of library and information services in Australia.

The study may include opportunity for preliminary work, local or overseas visits/consultations, attachment to another organisation, preparation of a publication, further educational qualification.

- The study is to culminate in a written report in two parts, provided to the Association. The first is a chronological summary of the project components together with a statement of the value derived, provided within one month of the project's culmination. The second component is a comprehensive report provided within four months of the project's culmination.

- It is expected that the study project will provide an opportunity for self development as well as benefit to the successful applicant's institution and present position.

- The award is not intended to be used to fund research projects.

- Applicants should complete an application form which gives:

- A brief description of the study project, including aims; benefits to the individual and to the institution; possible outcomes of a project.

- Identification and reasons for choice of particular institutions, persons or activities.

- Itinerary, timetable, travel/accommodation costs involved.

- Details of any other funds or facilities being provided for the study project.

- A curriculum vitae.

- 2 referees' reports.

- Applicants must be financial members of the LAA.

Application forms are available from LAA House and applications for an award in 1986 should reach the Assistant Executive Director, LAA House, 376 Jones Street, Ultimo NSW 2007 by 31 August 1985.

NOTICE

The Director of Learning Resources at Trinity and All Saints College in Leeds, Marlene Godfrey, is spending from June to August in Australia on study leave and would like to make contacts and renew old friendships. She will be travelling to Sydney, Canberra, Adelaide and Melbourne and is interested in investigating

- automated and online systems, especially AUSINET and URICA

- school library provision and especially films and videos for user instruction in schools

- the teaching of media studies

- primary science teacher education

- trade union activity and involvement by college librarians and library provision in CAE's.

Anyone wishing to contact Marlene Godfrey can write to her c/- LAA House, 376 Jones Street, Ultimo NSW 2007.

About ACPAD

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For information regarding donations or expression of interest in receiving library assistance contact: Executive Officer, ACPAD, GPO Box 2006, Canberra ACT 2601, Australia. Telephone (062) 49 7833. Telex 61940.

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The Literature Board has funded the scheme under the Australia Council's Touring and Access Program, established to take the arts into remote areas. Mary Lord, Director of the NBC, invites any regional organisation — book clubs or literary societies, schools, service organisations, libraries, arts groups and institutions — interested in bringing writers and readers together, to contact her about the tours' itineraries. The range of potential activities is broad and depends on the needs of the local community.

Tom Shapcott, Director of the Literature Board, said the Literature Board is keen to take advantage of this initiative as a major step towards re-establishing a national touring network of the kind operating in the 1960s.

For further information contact: Mary Lord, Executive Director, National Book Council, 199 Cardigan Street, Carlton. Phone 03 614 5111.

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