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Resource Options professional development workshops

To help library and information professionals meet the demands of their rapidly changing roles, Resource Options offers professional development workshops that develop skills in, amongst other topics, writing a resume, addressing selection criteria, interview techniques and time management.

Resource Options, based in Brisbane and Melbourne, have been providing services to the library and information industry since 1992. Resource Options is a full service consultancy, providing consulting services, recruitment of permanent and contract staff and training.

Resource Options provides library and information professionals with basic training in cataloguing skills and a cataloguing refresher course which covered both AACR2, LCSH, DDC, LC and the recently introduced cataloguing electronic resources.

For further information on the professional development workshops and services offered by Resource Options check their website: <http://www.resource-options.com.au>.

Dictionary of literary biography

This award-winning series published by Thomson Gale and edited by Brucoli Clark Layman presents career biographies of writers from all eras and genres. Award-winning writer David Malouf launched the Australian series of the *Dictionary of Literary Biography* on 29 March 2003 at the Australia Council in Surry Hills.

The editor of the Australian series is Dr Selina Samuels, who has Arts and Law degrees from UNSW and a PhD in post-colonial literature from the University of London.

The volumes provide comprehensive reference guides that are particularly useful for scholars and teachers. The organising rationale of the series — where writers are assembled according to the publication dates of their major works — allows for valuable cross-referencing and research of particular periods in the development of Australian literature.

National Library of Australia: new publications

Many voices: reflections on experiences of indigenous child separation, edited by Doreen Mellor and Anna Haebich. Since 1998, the National Library of Australia has been recording narratives about the removal of children from their families. Indigenous community members, those who fostered or adopted children, policy makers, administrators, and others have shared their individual experiences. This publication, including a CD of excerpts from oral histories, will bring those stories to a wide audience and assist readers to understand the complex layers of this aspect of Australia's story.

Governors' wives in Colonial Australia, by Anita Selzer. The wife of a governor of one of the Australian colonies was expected to embody the ideal of the 'English lady', and be the centre of colonial society. *Governors' wives in colonial Australia* explores how five vice-regal women — Eliza Darling, Jane Franklin, Mary Anne Broome, Elizabeth Loch, and Audrey Tenynson-fulfilled their role.

First vendors announce compliance with the COUNTER Code of Practice

Blackwell Publishing, ISI and Oxford University Press have announced that the online usage reports they supply to customers now comply with Release 1 of the COUNTER Code of Practice. All three companies have signed formal declarations of compliance and the list of usage reports covered by each publisher may be found on the COUNTER website at <http://www.projectCounter.org>.

A number of other leading vendors have declared their intention to become COUNTER compliant in the course of 2003 and are working towards this goal.

From May 2003, a definitive list of COUNTER-compliant vendors will be maintained on the COUNTER website.

Dialog news

Dialog is now offering the Information Technology and Communications subset of the Inspec

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44 King Street (cafe), Perth, 7:30am. Contact: Claire Stokes, ph 08 9433 0743, fx 08 9433 0722.

12-18/5 City of Joondalup Libraries will be hosting a variety of free events and activities during *Library and Information Week*. For further information contact Duncaig Library, ph 08 9447 9533, Whitford Library, ph 08 9401 8222, Woodvale Library, ph 08 9309 4717 or Joondalup Library, ph 08 9400 4707.

12-18/5 Duncaig Library activities: come in and vote for their favourite book.; computer based training sessions; Spineless Wonders, the minibeast specialists. For further information contact Duncaig Library, ph 08 9447 9533.

12-18/5 Joondalup Library activities: word search up that everyone can come in and assist with completing; a 'guess the sportsplayer's favourite book' quiz; computer based training sessions; ongoing treasure hunt and a 'Guess the Number of Lollies in the Jar' competition. For further information contact Joondalup Library, ph 08 9400 4707.

12-18/5 Whitford Library activities: a group crossword; computer based training sessions; Getting started in painting information session; 'design your library' for the young adult area. For further information contact Whitford Library, ph 08 9401 8222.

12/5 City of Stirling. *Wayne Ashton first novel Under a tin grey sari is a sensual love story set in Chittagong in 1967.* Scarborough Library, 6:30-7:30pm. To book phone 08 9341 1744.

13/5 Bunbury Public Library. *Internet day.* 1 hour session: Introduction to the internet, to run from 10-12noon. Bunbury Public Library Parkfield Street, Bunbury. Free training, bookings essential. Contact: Julie Coxall, ph 08 9721 5566 for all enquiries or bookings.

• **13/5-9/12 WA Forum.** *General meeting.* Room 2.9, Alexander Library Building, 5:30pm. 2003 meeting dates: 13/5; 10/6; 8/7; 12/8; 9/9; 14/10; 11/11; 9/12. Contact: Belinda Grayson, ph 08 9383 8977, bgrayson@cambridge.wa.gov.au

14/5 Bunbury Public Library. *Online day.* one-hour session: How to use the library computerised catalogues? Training sessions include OPAC and SLWA.

14/5 Bunbury Public Library. *Author visit: well known local children's author Deborah Lissou will conduct a writing workshop for children aged between 7-11 years.* Bunbury Public Library Parkfield Street, Bunbury, 4pm, no charge to attend, numbers limited. Contact: Julie Coxall, ph 08 9721 5566 for all enquiries or bookings.

15/5 International Day of Families, so an intergenerational storytelling session has been organised. Local schools have been invited to participate in this session.

15/5 City of Stirling. *Estelle Blackburn* Broken Lives relates the story of John Button's wrongful imprisonment for manslaughter. Osborne Library, 6:30-7:30pm. To book phone 08 9344 6927

16/5 Bunbury Public Library. *Children's day:* storyreading session will include a visit from Kyle the Clown to do face painting and animal balloons. Bunbury Public Library Parkfield Street, Bunbury, 10:30am, no charge to attend. Contact: Julie Coxall, ph 08 9721 5566 for all enquiries or bookings.

16/5 Woodvale Library activities: come in and vote for their favourite book.; book character storytime and have the opportunity to have their face painted! For further information contact Woodvale Library, ph 08 9309 4717.

20/5 City of Stirling. *Liz Byrski* Remember Me tells the extraordinary true story of love lost and love found. Dianella Library, 6:30-7:30pm. To book phone 08 9275 4022.

22/5 City of Stirling *Tony Evans* has written

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Australian and New Zealand Institute for Information Literacy

Symposium Series One
7-8 July 2003, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane

Day One Research skills for professional librarians

Day Two Working with the Information Literacy Standards

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excellent biographies about CY O'Connor and John Boyle O'Reilly. Mirrabooka Library, 6:30-7:30pm. To book phone 08 9344 5474.

27/5 City of Stirling. Jennifer Browne's first novel Sarjan tells of the early settlement of Western Australia. Karrinyup Library, 6:30-7:30pm. To book phone 08 9446 8944.

28/5 City of Stirling. Juliet Marillier's wonderfully evocative fantasy is captivating readers both here and overseas. Wolfskin is her latest published novel. Inglewood Library, 6-7pm. To book phone 08 9370 5366.

National

• **12-18/5 Library and Information Week 2003.** Theme: *Information literacy.* Don't forget to publicise what you did during LIW2003 by sending in your story [with pictures] to incite@alia.org.au For further information contact: alw@alia.org.au

• **5/9 National Simultaneous Storytime** will take place during Literacy and Numeracy Week, in libraries throughout the country at 11am AEST.

28-31/10 IFLA Interlending and document supply international conference: breaking barriers: reaching users in a digital world. National Library Canberra, Australia. For more information see <http://www.nla.gov.au/lds/index.html> Inquiries at: ldsconference@nla.gov.au

Conferences

• **24-28/8 10th Asia Pacific Special Health and Law Librarians conference: celebrate the future.** Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide. Contact: Festival City Conventions, ph 08 8363 1307, fx 08 8363 1604, librarians@fconventions.com.au, <http://alia.org.au/conferences/shllc/2003/index.html>

• **9-12/9 12th National Library Technicians conference: Bridging services: embracing reality.** Brisbane Qld. Contact: Organisers Australia, PO Box 1237, Milton Qld 4064, ph 07 3369 7866, fx 07 3367 1471, mail@orgaus.com.au, <http://groups.alia.org.au/libtnat/conferences/2003/>

International

A list of international conferences and seminars can be found on ALIANet at: <http://groups.alia.org.au/libtnat/conferences/2003/>

All inCite Events are limited to 40 words maximum and must include: date, name of Group, title of event, theme and key speaker (if relevant), venue, time, costs, and a contact name with phone and fax numbers.

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• **bullets indicate activities organised by ALIA Groups**

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database, as well as customised Inspec subsets, to users of its Dialog and Dialog DataStar services.

Produced by the IEE (Institution of Electrical Engineers), the Inspec database is the leading English-language bibliographic information resource providing access to the world's scientific and technical literature in physics, electrical engineering, electronics, communications, control engineering, computers and computing, and information technology.

The Information Technology and Communications subset covers subjects relating to information creation, storage, use and communication. Topics include information and communication theory, telecommunications, ICT training and education, ICT management, multimedia, computer hardware, storage and networking, communications software, user interface techniques, database and file organisation software. Additional topics include information technology applications in areas such as business, administration and manufacturing.

Dialog has enhanced its ToxFile database by integrating additional toxicology material. ToxFile, accessible through the Dialog and Dialog DataStar family of online services, offers a variety of information sources focused on toxicology subjects such as the side effects of drugs and the impact of pollution on human health.

Previously, ToxFile consisted of only journal materials provided by the United States National Library of Medicine (NLM). Dialog has now added material from TOXLINE Special, also provided by the NLM. TOXLINE Special consists of 15 data sets covering toxicology, hazardous chemicals and related areas, as well as references from an assortment of specialised journals and other sources.

For more information about ToxFile on Dialog see <http://library.dialog.com/bluesheets/html/bl0156.html> or <http://ds.datastarweb.com/ds/products/datastar/sheets/toxl.htm> for ToxFile on Dialog DataStar.

Adelaide City Council to install RFID library solution from ST LogiTrack

ST LogiTrack Pte Ltd was selected by Adelaide City Council (ACC) to implement Electronics Library Management System (ELiMS) in all its branches.

ACC's new library management system consists of several ELiMS components. Multi-purpose stations enable patrons to borrow and renew book loans all in one station. Instant book return is achieved with the ELiMS Book Drop which not only instantaneously cancels the loan once patron drops in the library items, but will also be embedded with security sensors that locks the chute at all times. The chute will only open when the system detects an authorised item. The ELiMS Counter Station allows librarians to perform the borrowing, returning

and disarming functions. Using the same technology, the system safeguards the library items with the ELiMS Security Gantry. A buzzer embedded in the gantry will buzz when somebody tries to bring out an unauthorised item.

With the new system in place, residents of Adelaide will be able to access a whole array of books, journals, magazines and AV materials at their own convenience without any help from the library staff who can now focus on providing value-added services such as managing membership, attending to enquiries and helping users locate the library materials of their choice.

Thomson news

Thomson ISI announced that the Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information (KISTI) Consortium, consisting of twenty-one academic and government research institutions, has purchased BIOSIS Previews — the comprehensive biological services resource that provides retrospective data back to 1969. Available through ISI Web of Knowledge, BIOSIS Previews includes new searching and linking capabilities, along with the ability to select a specific time period for searching.

The Korea Education and Research Information Service (KERIS) Consortium has purchased Journal Citation Reports on the Web (JCR Web). A component of ISI Web of Knowledge, JCR Web is the unique, multidisciplinary tool that can be used for a broad range of applications by a variety of information professionals.

Publishers add new content to SwetsWise Swets Blackwell recently concluded agreements with several publishers to provide access to their online journal content via SwetsWise, the web-based, modular service for the procurement, access and management of subscriptions and online information. Now available are titles from the Australian Academic Press, Boom Publishers, Central European Science Journals, Radcliffe Medical Press, and Supply Chain Knowledge Centre.

SAGE Publications licenses titles to ProQuest's ABI/INFORM Business Periodicals Database

ProQuest Company's Information and Learning unit has announced an exclusive agreement with SAGE Publications to bring twenty-one key business and management titles to ABI/INFORM, the company's flagship database. The agreement will allow ProQuest to deliver the journal content to institutions, libraries, and other markets around the world.

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