

Kinetica Innovation Awards

Australian libraries have used the National Library of Australia's Kinetica service for many years to improve services to their customers and to automate aspects of their library operations. Many libraries have used Kinetica in interesting and innovative ways to create new services or to improve their existing library operations. Libraries in Australia have been great innovators, developing new services and improving their processes with verve and originality.

The Kinetica Innovation award program recognises the innovative projects developed by libraries which use Kinetica. Nominations can be made for any innovative use of Kinetica. Some of the areas of innovation you could consider include the following.

- Library users: innovations that primarily benefit the library user, including providing access to the resources of Australian libraries.
- Library operations: innovations that improve the efficiency or effectiveness of an area of operation of a library.
- Partnership: technological innovations demonstrating partnerships and strategic alliances with industry, the community and/or in other institutions.
- Leadership: for leadership in the use of Kinetica in any library sector or area.

Up to three awards will be made at the Kinetica Annual Users Meeting. All winners will make a presentation at the meeting, providing an opportunity to let the Australian library community hear about innovative projects.

The Award consists of a free registration at the Kinetica Annual Users' Meeting, an engraved plaque and inclusion in the Kinetica Award register. Award winners will be announced at the Kinetica Annual Users' Meeting and will be required to deliver a short presentation on their innovation.

The closing date for nominations is 30 June. For more information see <http://www.nla.gov.au/kinetica/aum/aum04/innovationaward.html> or contact the Help Desk on 1800 026 155 ■

2004 Library Technician of the Year

Nominations close 1 July 2004

The 2004 ALIA Library Technician of the Year award, proudly sponsored by Edith Cowan University, promotes the role of library technicians in library and information science, as well as the role and image of the library technician. Nominees must be a personal member of the Library Technicians Group and hold an library technician qualification recognised by ALIA.

Nominees may be judged on their contribution to the advancement of library technicians, journal publications and/or conference papers, or personal achievement in the development of library and information services or development within the Association.

For more information, go to <http://www.alia.org.au/awards/merit/library.technician/>. To nominate someone for this award, use the electronic form at: <http://www.alia.org.au/awards/nomination/forms/library.technician.html>.

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Royal North Shore Hospital St Leonards NSW 2065 Vacancy - Chief Librarian

Applications are invited for an experienced and highly motivated professional to manage the Douglas Piper Library, Royal North Shore Hospital. We are seeking a customer-focussed Librarian with strong management and team building skills to drive the delivery of library and information services.

The Chief Librarian is responsible for leading a team of professional library staff, ensuring optimum efficiency in managing library resources and the co-ordinated delivery of an information service for staff of the Hospital and for the students of affiliated tertiary institutions. The person appointed will have an interest in and an understanding of the opportunities and challenges created by developments in information technology. High level interpersonal and communication skills, as well as well developed conceptual and analytical skills are required.

Essential: An approved degree or post graduate diploma; eligibility for membership of the Australian Library and Information Association; management

Experience; demonstrated experience and skills in financial/budget management; demonstrated leadership skills; excellent interpersonal and communication skills and knowledge of contemporary trends and practices in information service delivery and information technology related to health. Desirable: Experience in managing a health sciences library, knowledge of the Australian health care system, post-graduate qualifications in management or currently undertaking same.

Enquiries: Roger Dunston, ph 02 9926 7579 or rdunston@med.usyd.edu.au.

Closing date: Friday 25th June.

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