

Your Association at work

Interlibrary Lending Advisory Committee

Share It, the ALIA Interlibrary and Resource Sharing (ILRS) wiki created by the ALIA Interlibrary Lending Advisory Committee was launched by Roxanne Missingham (Parliamentary Librarian) at the ALIA Information Online conference on the 21 January 2009.

Roxanne said, "The challenge for resource sharing in the twenty first century is to use new tools and new communication to provide fabulous services for users and potential users. The concept for the ALIA Interlibrary Lending Advisory Committee was to create an up-to-date resource on all aspects of interlibrary lending and resource sharing, assisting both new and experienced ILL staff in their daily work."

When the committee first discussed updating the old manual of Interlibrary Lending, their passion was to create a means of maintaining quick and easy access to relevant information for the profession and also to provide a means of engaging experts in many fields around the nation. It is marvellous that technology has provided a solution which enables a passionate network to build a national resource that will help services to users for all types of libraries."

This newly created resource allows for easy and centralised access to relevant interlibrary lending (ILL) information for the library professional. The wiki aims to be a resource for the interlibrary lending community, where users can contribute and find information at one simple location, <http://www.alia.org.au/shareit>.

Practitioners working in interlibrary lending will understand the complexity of locating resources. There are numerous websites, resources, policies, and manuals that aid us in our daily work. The wiki provides access to the following links and information:

Find It – where to find resources (newspapers, books, theses, journals, patents), tips, and tricks, the Australian Interlibrary Resource Sharing Directory (ILRS Directory), and more.

Get It – Libraries Australia Document Delivery, international libraries, newspapers, theses, patents, and standards

Supply It – loans, copies, charges, service levels, and managing requests

Policies and guidelines – ILRS Code, ILRS Directory, copyright, links to other countries' ILL policies

Groups – Australian resource sharing groups

Professional development – information on conferences, workshops, training, and professional reading

We invite all interlibrary lending practitioners to use and contribute to Share It to maintain this valuable resource.

Users can contribute, edit, and create on the wiki: look at the wiki for information about getting a password.

So what are you waiting for? Find it, Get it, Supply it and Share It.

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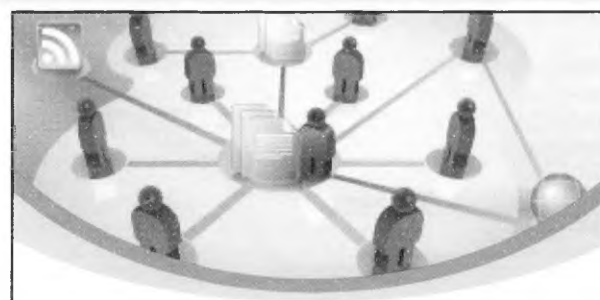


Got stories to share about your LIW and NSS 2009 experiences?

**Had a Library Tech lunch?
Felt sheepish for NSS?
Spread the word during LIW?**

inCite would love to hear about them! Tell us about your LIW schemes, plans, initiatives, and parties for an LIW feature in August's *inCite*.

Please send your articles of around 100 words (please, no more than 150) to incite@alia.org.au by **2 July 2009**. Pictures are very welcome, in jpeg format, attached separately.



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