

# ALIA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE OUR 2012 AWARD WINNERS

## HCL Anderson Award

Dr Warwick Cathro is the recipient of the 2012 HCL Anderson Award. Warwick has been highly active in the library and information sector since the 1970s, and two projects are the most recent examples of his drive and commitment to ensuring that all Australians have access to their own piece of history: The National Library of Australia's Trove discovery service and its newspaper digitisation project.

Central to his achievements has been his tireless work in fostering collaboration, not only within the library sector, but also with other cultural agencies and government departments. He understood that in the digital age, the real value and strength of Australian library collections could only be realised if they could be searched and found in the broader context of related resources.

This broad perspective, resulting in the involvement of non-traditional partners, was a key force behind the shaping of Trove. Warwick's technical expertise, knowledge, and leadership placed the Australian Bibliographic Network (ABN) team in a very sound position to achieve this master stroke for Australian Libraries. The ABN enabled libraries to share the costs involved with processing their collections and to share collections at a national level through inter library lending arrangements.

His extraordinary work in developing and implementing standards; advancing innovative solutions; championing national sectoral infrastructure, and encouraging communication and debate in the profession, place Warwick Cathro among the most important Australian library and information practitioners of our time.

## Fellowships

We congratulate four outstanding LIS professionals who have received ALIA Fellowships this year.

**Craig Anderson** recognised for his exceptional leadership and support for professional collaboration throughout his career. The innovator behind Australia's first and most successful community network, VicNet, Craig was also instrumental in the wide-ranging and far-reaching governance changes in ALIA in 1999/2000.

**Cathrine Harboe-Ree** is widely acknowledged as one of the top library professionals in Australia today. Best known for her leadership roles in the academic library sector, and at the State library of Victoria, she has made an outstanding contribution through her intellectual insight and practical application.

**Carol Newton-Smith** was nominated for the ALIA Fellowship by colleagues for her advocacy and hard work for the library and information profession. Carol has made an invaluable contribution to the profession during her career, including establishing and developing successful key partnerships and relationships with a variety of stakeholders internal and external to the library profession.

**Helen Partridge** has made an impressive contribution to Australian and overseas library and information science education and practice. Her commitment to scholarship in the library and information science field as well as her passion for teaching new information professionals make her a dedicated professional worthy of the title of Fellow.