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Welcome to the Australian Library and Information Association

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Why ALIA Membership?

*Because we've been supporting and
celebrating our profession for 71 years:
1937 - 2008*

From existing members, their view on the best thing about ALIA membership is...

'The fact that it is a way of recognising my professionalism (and the feeling of belonging with a group of like minded individuals)' **Susan Jones**

'I am a solo librarian and ALIA gives me a community of colleagues' **Dianna Jones**

'The Professional Development Scheme. It allows me to really expand my learning boundaries' **Alan Cohen**

'That the diversity of the profession can be represented by one body' **Don Keast**

'ALIA Professional Support and lobbying is an important function for the professional' **Julia Gross**





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Our Campaigns & Events



Summer Reading Club
www.summerreadingclub.org.au

Held during December through to February each year by most public libraries, the Summer Reading Club offers holiday activities for children aged five years and older and their families over the holiday break.

The Summer Reading Club includes promotional posters, reading records, puzzles, activities, reading incentives, a website and a library manual - everything a library needs to run the program.

Why hold a summer reading club?

- Summer reading helps students return to school in the new year ready to learn and with greater reading fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.
- The materials are ready to use and the program is flexible to allow it to be tailored to your library environment and your clients.
- Holiday activities can be incorporated as part of the club at your library.
- Maintain or even increase library use by children and their families over the summer break.
- Create excitement in children about reading for leisure;
- By combining reading and other activities dispel the myth that libraries are boring places and that reading is only ever done alone.
- Provide reading support to families through booklists, and sharing your knowledge and expertise.





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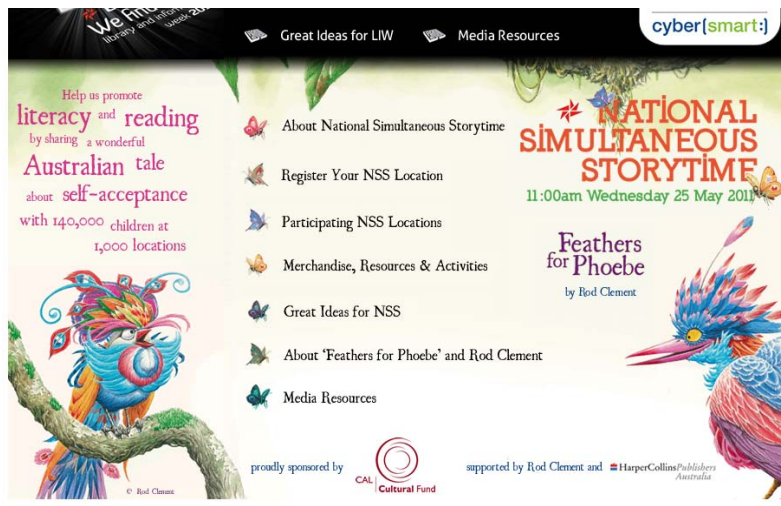
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National Simultaneous Storytime

www.alia.org.au/celebrate

The Australian Library and Information Association organises National Simultaneous Storytime in May every year. The aim of this program is to:

- Promote the value of reading and literacy
- Promote the value of books
- Promote an Australian writer and publisher, and
- Promote storytime activities in public libraries and communities around the country.



National Simultaneous Storytime provides a great opportunity to involve parents, grandparents, the press and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion. At the same time, it highlights the importance of reading and literacy for children, and demonstrates how this can be a fun experience.

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Libraries are for everyone! Libraries connect people to ideas.

Library and Information Week which is held in May each year promotes the free flow of information and facilitating all Australians' access to recorded knowledge, information, and creative works.

As well as the National Simultaneous Storytime held during that same week, ALIA also supports a National Library Technicians' Day that celebrates the achievements of technicians everywhere!



Library & Information Week
<http://www.alia.org.au/liw/about.html>

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www.librarylovers.org.au

Library Lovers Day - 14th February 2011

For centuries February 14 has been known as Valentine's Day, a time beloved of romantics. Now a new era has begun with Library Lovers everywhere claiming the day for the objects of their special affection - Australia's libraries.

People are devoted to their library and not just on one day of the year. Millions of library lovers across Australia must be right!

This promotional campaign is a combined advocacy event organised by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). So now it's time for libraries across Australia to get on board.

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Conferences this year...

ALIA National Library & Information Technicians Conference
Back to Basics – Perth 2011

Monday 12 - Friday 16 September 2011
Pan Pacific Hotel (formerly the Sheraton)

Important Dates

NOW OPEN:
Online Registrations

2 August 2011:
Early Bird Registration Closes

12 September 2011:
Conference Program Begins

We look forward to seeing you at the 2011 ALIA National Library & Information Technicians Conference in
59 Days, 20 Hours, 38 Minutes, 42 Seconds.

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Latest News

Registrations are open! Early Bird Registration closes 2 August.
It's not too late to register for LibTech 2011 in Perth and be a part of our exciting lineup of keynote speakers, workshops, social & networking functions and library tours! [Click here for more information.](#)

Preliminary Program updated!
[Click here](#) to view the updated Preliminary Program to see the new speakers and sessions across the Conference's 3 streams - **Personal Development, Professional Development and Client Services.**

Visit Perth's Best-In-Class Libraries!
The ALIA National Library & Information Technicians Conference offers delegates the chance to participate in **exciting tours**, taking in some of Perth's state-of-the-art libraries while exploring the city and surrounding regions. [Click here for more information.](#)


<http://conferences.alia.org.au/libtec2011/>


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Conferences this year...



Metamorphosis: 
What will you become today?

The ALIA 5th New Librarians Symposium (2011)
Friday 16 – Sunday 18 September 2011



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2011 ALIA 5th New Librarians Symposium starts in
63 Days, 20 Hours, 35 Minutes, 26 Seconds.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Online Registrations
Now Open

Early Bird Registrations
Close
2 August

Conference Registrations
Close
29 August


Conference Opens
18 September

Registrations are now open!

Online registrations for the ALIA 5th New Librarians Symposium 2011 are now open! Early Bird Registrations close 2 August - and ALIA members enjoy substantial discounts on their NLS5 registration. [Click here for more information.](#)

Preliminary Program now available!

[Click here](#) to view the Preliminary Program and to get a preview of the exciting lineup of workshops and sessions on offer across the Symposium's streams, as well as Keynotes, Plenaries and Satellite Events.



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It is our pleasure to be managing the ALIA 5th New Librarians Symposium on behalf of the Australian Library & Information Association. ICE Australia specialises in managing both national and international not-for-profit Conferences for the Association sector. We look forward to seeing you at the Symposium.

<http://conferences.alia.org.au/nls5/index.html>

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And in 2012...

DISCOVERY
ALIA Biennial 2012 Conference

**ALIA Biennial
Sydney 2012**

361 Days to go Tuesday 10 - Friday 13 July 2012 | Hilton Sydney

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Invitation from Convenors

On behalf of the Organising Committee, we are delighted to invite you to the ALIA Biennial Conference 2012 to be held from Tuesday 10 July to Friday 13 July in Sydney.

The conference theme "Discovery" was chosen to reflect the opportunity for delegates to undertake their own discovery and explore the library and information profession.

The Organising Committee is committed to delivering a relevant and exciting conference program and providing a forum where library and information professionals and students, as well as representatives of our suppliers and system developers, can have the opportunity to discuss, debate and network with colleagues from Australia and overseas, hear from national and international speakers on the many exciting developments in our profession and check out the latest in products and systems through what is planned to be an extensive trade exhibition.

A great venue, the Sydney Hilton, has been selected with superb facilities in the heart of the Sydney CBD, providing delegates and their friends and family a wonderful opportunity to discover and explore many of Sydney's attractions and its rich variety of museums, galleries, parks, beaches, entertainment, restaurants, cafes, shopping and business precincts, all within easy walking distance from the hotel. For those who wish to go further afield, public transport is readily accessible.

We invite you to mark these dates in your calendar and plan for attending the conference and even extending your visit with a holiday. Registration opens in November 2011.

More information will be published on this website as soon as possible about the conference program, accommodation and information available in Sydney.

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Important Dates

September 2011
Call for Abstracts Opens

November 2011
Super Early Bird Registration (Members Only)

Wednesday 7 December 2011
Call for Abstract Submissions Closes

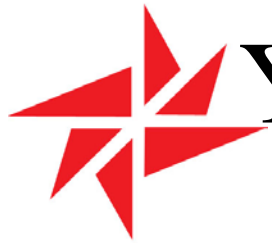
December 2011
Super Early Bird Registration Deadline (Members Only) / Early Bird Registration Opens

March 2012
Early Bird Deadline

June 2012
Standard Registration Deadline

Stay in touch with ALIA Biennial 2012

Express your interest in the conference and



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Completing your studies doesn't mean that you stop learning - the library profession is constantly evolving to meet the needs of users and changing technology. ALIA's Professional development program offers the following advantages:

- Improves your ability to undertake your job
- Helps you keep pace with changing technology and knowledge in the dynamic environment of the library and information sector
- Ensures you maintain a competitive edge when seeking employment

linking people with ideas

Your Professional Development

Professional development scheme

What are the benefits of the ALIA professional development (PD) scheme

The Association has facilitated opportunities where knowledge can be created, shared and disseminated to enable members to better understand the dynamic environment in which library and information professionals and their clients operate.

ALIA professional development (PD) scheme

The *PD scheme* provides the resources for you to:

- map your personal lifelong plan ... complete [ALIA's career development kit](#) to get started;
- keep up-to-date and strengthen your technical knowledge and skills.
- formally record and demonstrate your commitment to professional development;
- provide a widely-accepted and endorsed record of learning for you and your employer;
- gain recognition within the profession:
 - use the additional Certified Practitioner (CP) post-nominal,
 - apply for a Certified Practitioner certificate,
 - meet the criteria to become an Associate Fellow (AFALIA or AFALIATec).
- remain adaptable - take advantage of the opportunities change always brings; and
- improve your career opportunities.

Be prepared for your next career opportunity!

PD - who benefits?

You ... your employer, your clients and the profession

The ability to develop flexible and dynamic skills is vital in the information industry so you can take advantage of the opportunities change always brings.

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ALIA Education and Workforce Summit

Friday 28 March 2008 at the State Library of Victoria

The summit will bring together library employers, educators, researchers and ALIA members to consider identified major issues in both library and information education, and in the library workforce and to agree on an action plan to address these. [More information](#) and details on how to make a submission prior to the Summit.

ALIA education

The Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) is the professional association for the library and information sector in Australia.

The Association works closely with educators, employers and practitioners to ensure high-quality educational programs are available to you when you enter the sector and also provides access to career-long learning to help you keep your skills and knowledge up to date.

Library and information professionals link people with ideas and the information they need to carry out their jobs, enjoy their leisure and be involved in the community. It is stimulating, diverse, rewarding - and fun!

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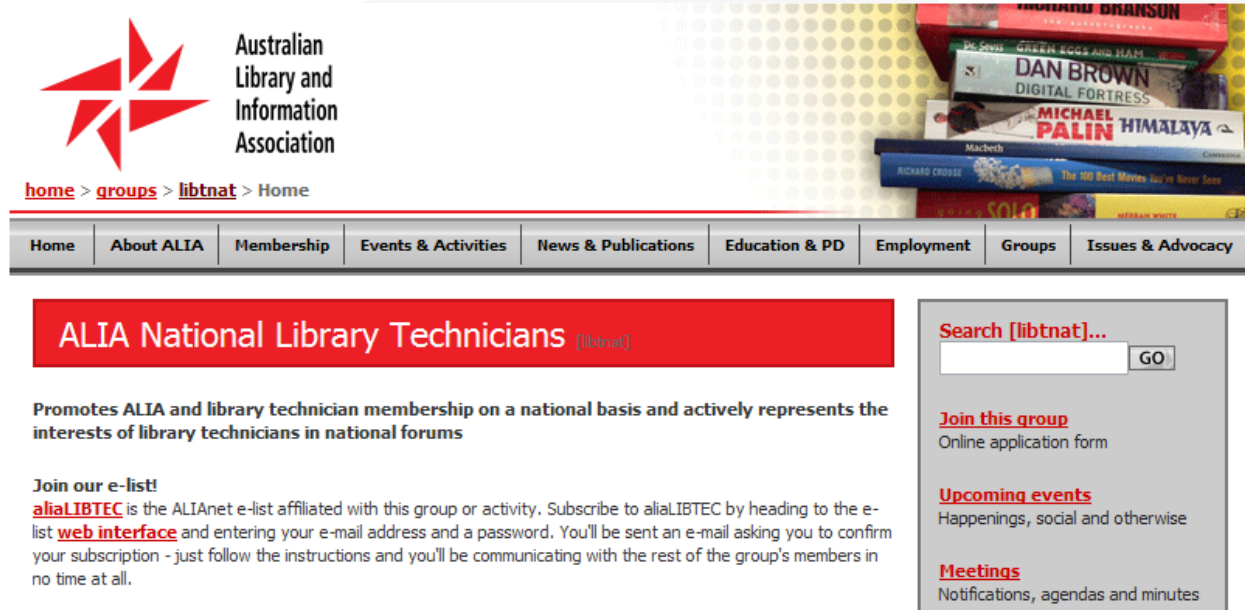


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The ALIA Library Technicians Group

The group represents the interests of technicians here in South Australia and allows staff from various workplaces to meet, network, share ideas and learn from each other.

Interested in joining the group? Visit the link below to subscribe.



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ALIA National Library Technicians (libtnat)

Promotes ALIA and library technician membership on a national basis and actively represents the interests of library technicians in national forums

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ALIA's Publications

inCite is the monthly magazine for the library and information sector in Australia. It is distributed to all ALIA members and subscribers around the world.

Feature articles and guest writers tackle issues of importance to the library community and offer insights into activities around the country - and overseas.

If you want to keep up to date with activities and events within the South Australian library community, this publication is a must.

Regular columns such as *Frontline*, *Directline*, *Making News*, *Workwatch*, *Webb's Web* and *ALIAppointments* keep you up-to-date and informed on a wide range of contemporary issues about your profession.

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ALIA at Work

ALIA offers assistance with employment and you can take advantage of this by subscribing to the RSS newsfeeds so that we can alerted you to new positions advertised on the website.

As a ALIA member, you can subscribe to the recruitLIS elist to keep up-to-date with opportunities both here in South Australia and interstate.

Each week you will receive a email with details of new vacancies similar to those you see here

Position: IT and Cataloguing Officer

Employer: Palmerston City Council

Applications close: 18 July 2011



<http://www.alia.org.au/employment/vacancies/listing.html?ID=2097>

Position: Knowledge Manager

Employer: Evans & Peck

Applications close: 19 July 2011



<http://www.alia.org.au/employment/vacancies/listing.html?ID=2099>

Position: Senior Library Officer (Pool) [12314]

Employer: State Library of Western Australia

Applications close: 19 July 2011



<http://www.alia.org.au/employment/vacancies/listing.html?ID=2098>

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