

2027 State Library Fellowships Application Form

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State Library Fellowships

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About the State Library Fellowships and Medals

The [State Library Fellowships and Medals](#) program supports the documentation, preservation and sharing of Queensland's memory – past and present. The program's objectives are intended to align with *State Library's Strategic Plan* and *Queensland's Time to Shine: a 10-year strategy for arts and culture 2025–2035*. State Library, which represents the State of Queensland, conducts this program.

Fellowships are offered to attract researchers and creatives to explore, interpret and contribute to the significant collections of the [John Oxley Library](#).

Use this form to apply for a **fellowship**. Entry to State Library Fellowships and Medals is free.

State Library Fellowships and Medals are supported by philanthropic gifts and partnerships through the [Queensland Library Foundation](#).

Fellowships overview

Open to Australian residents in any discipline or form of expression, for projects or research of any kind. This includes, but is not limited to historians, researchers, artists, creatives, filmmakers, digital media practitioners, data scientists, musicians and composers, curators and arts professionals, writers, independent scholars, and other creatives. Applicants from both academic and non-academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

- [John Oxley Library Fellowship](#) – \$25,000
- [Monica Clare Research Fellowship](#) – \$20,000
- [Rainbow Research Fellowship](#) – \$20,000
- [Queensland Heritage Register Fellowship](#) – \$20,000
- [Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship](#) – \$15,000
- [Letty Katts Fellowship](#) – \$5,000

For full details about the program and assessment process, please refer to the Application Guide, including the Terms and Conditions.

How to apply?

1. Read the [Application Guidelines](#).
2. Complete this SmartyGrants application form. Hard copy applications will not be considered.
3. Applications must be submitted **before 11:59 pm AEST on 15 October 2026**. Late applications or supporting material will not be accepted. You should allow for any time difference, and internet connection or submission issues.
4. It is recommended that you preview the application form before submitting. Mandatory fields, word count, etc. must be completed to submit.

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5. Once you start your form, you may save and edit it as many times as you like before submitting it. No
6. A project may be nominated in multiple fellowship categories. The applicant may nominate more than one project. If proposing different projects, submit a separate application for each.
7. Your application should address the selection criteria and will need to include- a project title- a short biographical statement and Curriculum Vitae (maximum 3 A4 pages) - a short description of your project and its relevance - a short description of how you will use or contribute to John Oxley Library or State Library collections - a brief overview of project goals, scope and timelines - anticipated outcomes - two (2) referees with knowledge of your research capabilities - if applicable, details of other funding sources for the project and why fellowship funding is required, and/or details about what stage the project is in if it is not a new project.
8. You have the option of attaching supporting material, such as letters of support.
9. You will receive an email confirming receipt of your application. **Important:** if you do not receive this email, please check your junk folder. If you cannot find the email then immediately contact State Library at fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au.

Guidelines for entry

Before beginning this application, please read the [Application Guide](#). If you have any questions please email fellowships@slq.qld.gov.au.

I confirm that I have read and understood the State Library Fellowships and Medals 2027 Application Guide (linked above) prior to completing this form. *

☐ Yes

Applicant details Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent

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Application type

Make sure you check the individual selection criteria in the Application Guide – each category has its own specific criteria.

Which fellowship are you applying for? *

- ☐ John Oxley Library Fellowship
- ☐ Monica Clare Research Fellowship
- ☐ Rainbow Research Fellowship
- ☐ Queensland Heritage Register Fellowship
- ☐ Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame Fellowship
- ☐ Letty Katts Fellowship

At least 1 choice must be selected.

Select all that apply.

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Single application or co-application type

Applicants can apply as a single person or with one other person.

Is this application being submitted by an individual or co-applicants (maximum of two)? *

- ☐ Individual applicant
- ☐ Co-applicants

John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship

Applicants to the John Oxley Library Fellowship may wish to be considered for the John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship. The Honorary Fellowship may be offered to the next highest ranked applicant after the winner of this Fellowship.

The Honorary Fellow will receive the same benefits as the John Oxley Library Fellowship, except they will **not receive a stipend**.

Please indicate if you wish to be considered for the John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship as part of your application *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent

Monica Clare Research Fellowship applications must include a copy of a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent/Letter of Confirmation with a common seal from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander incorporated community organisation or a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent statutory declaration form.

Please upload your documentation. *

Attach a file:

Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent (Co-applicant)

Monica Clare Research Fellowship applications must include a copy of a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent/Letter of Confirmation with a common seal from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander incorporated community organisation or a Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent statutory declaration form.

New Question *

Attach a file:

Applicant contact details

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Contact details

Applicant *

Title	First Name	Last Name

Date of birth *

Must be a date.

State Library will use this information to undertake due diligence checks if required.

Home address *

Address

Postal address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Mobile *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Home phone

Must be an Australian phone number.
Please include area code.

Work phone

Please include area code.

Co-applicant details

Applicant 2 *

Title	First Name	Last Name

Date of birth *

Must be a date.

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Home address *

Address

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Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Postal address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Mobile *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Home phone

Must be an Australian phone number.

Work phone

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant and project details

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Please provide information about you, your proposed project, and your research goals. You will be asked to indicate if your project is currently being delivered and whether additional sources of funding have been received.

It is important you read the Application Guide so you can prepare responses that are relevant to the fellowship(s) you're applying for and its associated selection criteria.

Applicant information

Provide a biographical statement describing your experience, skills and achievements. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Please upload a copy of your curriculum vitae *

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Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.
CV should be no more than three (3) pages.

If you are applying as co-applicants, provide a biographical statement describing the co-applicant's experience, skills and achievements. *

Must be no more than 150 words.

Please upload a copy of your co-applicant's curriculum vitae *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Project description

Provide a short title for your project. *

Must be no more than 30 words.

Provide a short description of your project. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Provide a short description of your project.

Please describe the relevance of the project to the fellowship(s) you are applying for. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 400 words.

Refer to the Application Guidelines for details of each fellowship.

Explain how you will use or contribute to the John Oxley Library collections or State Library collections as part of the project. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Please list resources you have already identified in the John Oxley Library or State Library and why the collection material is a resource for the project.

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Project goals

What are the goals, scope and timelines for this project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

List the specific activities that will take place as part of the project including timeframes for completion.

Please outline some anticipated outcomes of your project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Project status

Has the project commenced? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

When did the project start? *

Must be a date.

Describe your progress so far. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Other funding sources

Have you received any other funding for this project? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Please explain why fellowship funding is required for this project given your other funding sources. *

Word count:

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Please provide details of the confirmed funding sources you have received. To add details of further sources, click the 'Add More' button.

Name/ source of funding	Terms of funding	Amount received
Must be no more than 20 words.	Must be no more than 25 words.	Must be a dollar amount.
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Referees and Supporting Material

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Referee 1

Applicants are required to provide contact details for two (2) referees.

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Phone Number *

Please include area code if landline.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Relationship to applicant *

Referee 2

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Phone Number *

Please include area code if landline.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Relationship to applicant *

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Supporting material

Please upload any supporting material you wish to include as part of your application.

Attach a file:

A maximum of 3 files may be attached.

You may wish to include letter(s) of support.

Please provide website (URL) link(s) if publicly available supporting material is accessible and relevant to your application.

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Declaration, Privacy and Feedback

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Declaration

I/we certify that, to the best of my/our knowledge, all the information in this application is correct *

☐ Yes

I/we certify that I/we have read and agree to the terms set out in the Application Guide.*

☐ Yes

If this application is successful, I/we understand I/we will need to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with State Library of Queensland. *

☐ Yes

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Date *

Must be a date.

Privacy

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State Library of Queensland will collect, hold and deal with an applicant's personal information in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act 2009* (Qld). The applicant (or co-applicants, in the case of an application submitted by pairs) consents for the applicant's personal information to be used and disclosed where appropriate for editorial, advertising, or promotional purposes in conjunction with the Program. State Library will adhere to the privacy principles in the *Information Privacy Act 2009* (Qld). For further details you can contact privacy@slq.qld.gov.au. You may lodge a complaint or find out more information, including how complaints are dealt with, at our [Privacy Principles Policy](#). For more information, please refer to the [Information privacy and website security webpage](#).

Feedback

You are now nearing the end of this form. This feedback section is optional before you click **SUBMIT**.

How did you find out about the State Library Fellowships and Medals?

- ☐ State Library of Queensland website
- ☐ State Library of Queensland email
- ☐ Other website
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Radio
- ☐ I'm a previous applicant
- ☐ Other:

Please select all that apply.

Please indicate how you found the application process:

- ☐ Very easy ☐ Easy ☐ Neutral ☐ Difficult ☐ Very difficult

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to this form that you think we need to consider.