



New South Wales  
Government

2009  
New South Wales History Fellowship  
NSW Archival Research Fellowship

Guidelines

**NSW Department of the Arts, Sport and Recreation**

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## **2009 NSW HISTORY FELLOWSHIP (\$20,000)**

**Closing date: Friday 8 May 2009**

The NSW History Fellowship is offered annually by the Government to assist a person living in New South Wales to research and produce a work on a subject of historical interest relating to New South Wales.

Applicants are required to demonstrate that their project will add to, or bring fresh perspectives to bear upon, their nominated subject. They should also demonstrate that the project will benefit their experience and development as an historian and/or advance scholarly historical writing in New South Wales.

In assessing applications, the judges will have regard to factors including:

- originality of the project and approach
- extent to which the project embodies new research
- appropriateness of the methodology to be used
- applicant's qualifications to complete the project successfully
- applicant's analytical and writing skills
- significance of the project in terms of the applicant's development as an historian and the advancement of scholarly historical writing
- overall quality of the application.

Applicants are required to submit:

- a completed Application Form (and a copy of it)
- details of the proposal
- their qualifications and experience
- five single-sided pages of published support material or, if they have not been previously published, five typewritten pages (original and one copy) demonstrating their research and writing skills.

The fellowship is not generally available for:

- projects that have been, or are being, substantially funded by other competitive public funding sources for research (e.g. the Australian Research Council)
- projects which do not embody new research
- production of books consisting primarily of drawings, photographs or reproductions of paintings
- compilation of general reference books, bibliographies or listings of historical sources
- completion of current graduate, postgraduate or doctoral projects.

The fellowship is not to be used for the purpose of self-publication.

Payment may be made outright or in agreed instalments. It is expected that fellowship funds will be used to supplement the successful applicant's income during work on the nominated project and to defray necessary research and travel costs.

If the project is not already in progress, the successful applicant will be required to commence work on it within 12 months of the presentation of the fellowship. The time for completion of the project will be negotiated between Arts NSW and the recipient. For the writing of a book, for example, a period of two years from the date of presentation of the fellowship will be considered reasonable.

Six monthly reports on the progress of the project will be required from the date of presentation of the fellowship. A final report will be required within three months of the completion of the project and the expenditure of the fellowship. A copy of any related work that subsequently achieves publication should be forwarded to Arts NSW.

## **2009 NSW ARCHIVAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (\$15,000)**

### **Closing date: 8 May 2009**

The NSW Archival Research Fellowship is offered annually by the Government to assist a person living in New South Wales to complete an innovative and quality research project that makes substantial use of the records collection of the State Records Authority of NSW.

Applicants are required to demonstrate that their project will add to, or bring fresh perspectives to bear upon, their nominated subject. They should also demonstrate that the project will benefit their experience and development as a researcher, historian or archivist.

The successful applicant is expected to produce an article or book for publication, or a website, exhibition, film or event that is significant to the people of NSW and promotes the State Records Authority's collection. The State Records Authority of NSW will assist in identifying outlets for publication or public presentation of the work undertaken on the fellowship.

In assessing applications, the judges will have regard to factors including:

- originality of the project and approach
- extent to which the project utilises the collections of the State Records Authority of NSW
- appropriateness of the methodology to be used
- applicant's qualifications to complete the project successfully
- applicant's analytical and writing skills
- significance of the project in terms of the applicant's professional development and the advancement of the archival and historical profession
- overall quality of the application.

Applicants are required to submit:

- a completed Application Form (and a copy of it)
- details of the proposal
- their qualifications and experience
- five single-sided pages of published support material or, if they have not been previously published, five typewritten pages (original and one copy) demonstrating their research and writing skills.

The fellowship is not generally available for:

- projects that have been, or are being, substantially funded by other competitive public funding sources for research (e.g. the Australian Research Council, the National Archives of Australia)
- projects which do not embody new research
- production of books consisting primarily of drawings, photographs or reproductions of paintings
- compilation of general reference books, bibliographies or listings of historical sources
- completion of current graduate, postgraduate or doctoral projects.

The fellowship is not to be used for the purpose of self-publication.

It is expected that fellowship funds will be used to supplement the successful applicant's income during work on the nominated project and to defray necessary research and travel costs.

If the research project is not already in progress, the successful applicant will be required to commence work on it within 12 months of the presentation of the fellowship. The time for completion of the project will be negotiated between Arts NSW and the recipient. For the writing of a book, for example, a period of two years from the date of presentation of the fellowship will be considered reasonable.

Six monthly reports on the progress of the project will be required from the date of presentation of the fellowship. A final report will be required within three months of the completion of the project and the expenditure of the fellowship. A copy of any related work that subsequently achieves publication should be forwarded to Arts NSW.

## **Application Forms for the 2009 NSW History Fellowship and 2009 NSW Archival Research Fellowship**

For application forms, contact:

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### **NSW INDIGENOUS HISTORY FELLOWSHIP (\$20,000)**

**Closing date: 2010**

The NSW Indigenous History Fellowship is offered biennially by the Government to assist a person living in New South Wales to research and produce a work on a subject of historical interest relating to New South Wales from an Indigenous point of view.

The fellowship is administered by the History Council of New South Wales on behalf of Arts NSW.

Detailed guidelines and applications forms will be available by April 2010 from the History Council of New South Wales Inc., PO Box R1737, ROYAL EXCHANGE NSW 1225, email: [office@historycouncilnsw.org.au](mailto:office@historycouncilnsw.org.au)

***Applicants for the NSW History Fellowship, the NSW Archival Research Fellowship and the NSW Indigenous History Fellowship should also refer carefully to following general information for all individual fellowship applicants, as well as to Arts NSW's Indigenous Arts Protocol.***