

The CH Currey Memorial Fellowship



The C.H. Currey Memorial Fellowship was established by the Library Council of New South Wales under the terms of the bequest of the late Dr Charles Herbert Currey (1890-1970), a well known Australian historian. The aim of the C.H.Currey Memorial Fellowship is to promote the writing of Australian history from original sources of information, preferably making use of the collections of the State Library of New South Wales.

The amount of the Fellowship is \$20,000. The award may be used to supplement income while working on the project or to meet research and travel costs within the criteria of the Fellowship, as given below:

- Fellowships will not normally be awarded for research resulting in a work of creative non-fiction or fiction with an historical basis.
- Fellowship awards may not be utilised to cover publication costs.
- Applications will not be considered for Fellowships from persons concurrently holding another major or equivalent award for the proposed topic or project or whose work is part of their regular paid employment.
- Preference will normally be given to applications which support research on a topic or project that is not being pursued as part of a higher degree program.

During the period of the award, Fellows, who may be residents or non-residents of Australia, are expected to spend time in the State Library using its resources. A progress report is required for submission to the Library Council three months after commencement of the Fellowship. The Fellowship holder is expected to make at least one public presentation and at least one staff seminar at the State Library and provide a copy of their manuscript for permanent retention in the Mitchell Library.

The award is paid in two instalments: the first on the award of the Fellowship; and the second on satisfactory progress of the research through evidence of the progress report, publications and/or presentations. The winner of the Fellowship will be designated 'The C.H.Currey Memorial Fellow of the State Library of New South Wales' for the duration of the award. The term of the Fellowship extends for 12 months, and is generally taken up in the month of April.

The Fellowships Committee of the Library Council of New South Wales will consider all applications submitted for the C.H.Currey Memorial Fellowship. All applicants will be notified in writing informing them of the Committee's decision, which is regarded as final. No discussion or correspondence will be entered into concerning the Committee's final decision. The Fellowships Committee reserves the right not to recommend the award of the C.H.Currey Memorial Fellowship in any given year.

Applications for the C.H.Currey Memorial Fellowship should be made on forms available from the State Library or on the website

www.sl.nsw.gov.au/about/awards/currey.html.

When completed, applications should be sent to

The Mitchell Office,
State Library of New South Wales,
Macquarie Street, Sydney, 2000.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 5 September 2011.

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