



Speaker Connect Program @ Lake Mac Libraries - History Illuminated with Alexandria Hawkins

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Proposed Talk Title |

Uncovering the History of the Women's Refuge Movement in Regional NSW, 1974-2014

Description |

The women's refuge movement emerged in Australia in the mid 1970's and made explicit for the first time, the link between domestic violence and the need for shelter. This movement is now over forty-years-old. However, very little research has been done in charting how the women's refuge movement developed in rural and regional Australia. This talk will discuss the aims and purpose of my PhD project which is working to address this gap in the literature and will consider how uncovering the history of women's refuges in regional NSW can both challenge and enrich our current understandings of the history of the women's refuge movement in Australia more broadly.

Date & Time | Monday, 7th September 2020 at 10:00 am

Where | Rathmines Theatre, 3 Stilling Street, Rathmines, NSW 2283

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RSVP Booking link |

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Speaker Bio |

Alexandria Hawkins | I hold a Bachelor of Arts with a Diploma of Education and a Master of Research both majoring in Modern History. I am currently undertaking a PhD in the Department of Modern History, Politics and International Relations at Macquarie University. My current research is looking at the history of the women's refuge movement in regional NSW. My PhD research was awarded the 2019 National Council of Women's Australian Women's History Award.

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