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The Macquarie-PHA Applied History Award

Information & Criteria

THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS Saturday 1 October, 2022 at 5 pm.

Sponsored by the Macquarie University Centre for Applied History and the Professional Historians Association (NSW & ACT)

The winning entry will demonstrate excellence in writing or other media, and the ability to use original source materials, or demonstrated originality of interpreting the past in a contextual way. This work should engage with the field and practice of professional, public and applied history, using the past to inform contemporary concerns, issues and topics in creative ways.

The purpose of the Award is to encourage historians to produce a creative work of applied history drawing on their research. It aims to promote the value of public history and the pursuit of history as a rewarding professional career.

Individuals and groups are eligible to apply. The award is open to historians at all stages of their career, including those inside and outside of academic institutions; undergraduate, diploma, masters and doctoral level students; as well as professional, local, community and family historians. Candidates must have lived and/or created their work in New South Wales or the Australian Capital Territory **substantially undertaken in the 12 month period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.**

Submissions can take varied forms, including:

- an essay of 2,500–3,000 words written for a wide audience;
- documented evidence of an exhibition and an exegesis (1,000 words) explaining context, purpose and any audience metrics;



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- documented evidence of a website and an exegesis (1,000 words) explaining context, purpose and any audience metrics;
- multi-media submission of any form including podcasts, videos and social media campaigns, with an exegesis (1,000 words) explaining context, purpose and any audience metrics.

The winner receives a **citation and a prize of \$1000** at an Awards Ceremony in October/November. Winners will also be promoted via social media and online and in the HCNSW's and PHA's newsletters.

A panel of expert members of the historical profession is appointed annually by the General Council to serve as judges. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The General Council reserves the right not to make an award in any year.

All works are judged anonymously. Please remove any reference to the author on the submitted work.

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