

## **Libraries Board of South Australia**

The Libraries Board is a statutory authority responsible for library policy and administration of the State Library of South Australia and the public library network.

The Libraries Division covers the State Library of South Australia, which includes Public Library Services, and is managed through Arts South Australia, which is part of the Department of State Development.

### **Membership**

The Libraries Board consists of not more than eight members appointed by the Governor.

Three members will be nominated by the Local Government Association (LGA), who may comprise, in any combination of:

- council members; or
- librarians employed in a public library; or
- community information officers employed by a council; or
- any other officers or employees of a council; or
- any other persons with experience in local government.

The remaining five members will be nominated by the Minister.

At least two members must be women and at least two must be men.

The Governor will appoint one of the members to be the presiding member.

The Governor may appoint a suitable person to be a deputy of a member (being a person nominated by the body or person who nominated the member) and the deputy may perform or exercise the functions and powers of the member in the member's absence.

### **Functions of the Board**

The functions of the Libraries Board of South Australia listed below are extracts from the *Libraries Act 1982*, as amended.

- to formulate policies and guidelines for the provision of public library services
- to establish, maintain and expand collections of library materials and, in particular, collections of such materials that are of South Australian origin, or have a particular relevance to this State
- to administer the State Library
- to establish and maintain such other public libraries and public library services as may best conduce to the public interest
- to promote, encourage and assist in the establishment, operation and expansion of public libraries and public library services by councils and others
- to collaborate with an administrative unit of the Public Service or any other public sector agency (within the meaning of the *Public Sector Act 2009*) and any other authority and body, in the provision of library and information services
- to make recommendations to the Minister on the allocation of funds that are available for the purposes of public libraries and public library services
- to initiate and monitor research and experimental projects in relation to public libraries and public library services
- to keep library services provided in the State under continuing evaluation and review
- to carry out any other functions assigned to the Board under this or any other Act or by the Minister.

## **Board Members**

### **James Bruce AM, Chairman**

Appointed to the Libraries Board as Chairman in 2011 by the Minister, and also a member of the Board's Finance Sub-Committee.

James is Managing Director of Theodore Bruce Auctions Pty Ltd. He leads a team of nine auction professionals in Sydney, Adelaide and Perth providing auction valuation and sales service to the Commonwealth and State Governments, corporate clients and private individuals.

James is an experienced manager and business development professional in the fields of Fine Art & Real Estate Auction Services spanning four decades. He has proven experience in strategic planning, team management, valuation and proposal writing, branding, communication, identification and development of market opportunities, strict budget control, impeccable financial skills and a reputation for clear, concise and balanced expressed opinion. He is also a member of the Auctioneers & Valuers Association of Australia Inc (NSW) and Valuer to the Commonwealth Government.

Other appointments include Chairman of the Board, Bonhams 1793 (Australia), member of the State Opera of South Australia Board and Justice of the Peace in SA since 2008. Former appointments include Honorary British Consul and Honorary Secretary to the Consular Corps of South Australia.

### **Lynn Spurling, BA Library Studies, AALIA, Deputy Chair**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2011 as one of three nominees of the Local Government Association, and also Chairperson of the Board's Public Library Services Standing Committee.

Lynn has been Library Coordinator at the Kadina Community Library Service since 1999 and has over 25 years' experience as a practising regional librarian in a variety of roles. She has extensive knowledge and experience working with local and state government, other agencies and across the library sector, both public and joint use. Lynn has a comprehensive understanding of library issues, including financial and budgeting challenges, operational, management and network issues, development and innovation across state, national and public library sectors.

Lynn's appointments include President of the Public Libraries SA Executive Committee and President, Copper Coast Kernewek Lowender Festival. Previous appointments include Executive Committee Member, Kadina Educational Precinct Committee and Council Representative on the Kadina Joint Use Facility Planning Committee.

### **Vini Ciccarello, BA Library & Information Management**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2012 as one of five nominees of the Minister, and also member of the Public Library Services Standing Committee and the Board's representative on the Friends of the State Library of SA Committee.

Vini was formerly a librarian at the State Library of SA with 17 years' experience working in young people's services, multicultural services, reference and Mortlock libraries. She was previously an Australian Labor Party MP Member for Norwood for 13 years (1997-2010) and a former Mayor of the City of Kensington & Norwood (1991 – 1997). Other previous community involvement included: Foundation Member of the Women's & Children's Hospital Board (1991-97), State Executive Member of the Local Government Association (1991-97) and Board member of St Hilarion Nursing Home.

Vini's current appointments include member of the Australia Day Council Board, Italian Chamber of Commerce Board, Roma Mitchell Community Legal Services Board; Australian Red Cross Ambassador and member of the Radio Italiana Management Committee as well as being a producer and presenter.

### **Janet Finlay, B.Commerce**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2015 as one of five nominees of the Minister and also a member of the Board's Finance Sub-Committee.

Janet is a chartered accountant and founding director of Leveque Consulting Pty Ltd. She is an experienced business adviser, having worked in professional services for more than 25 years, the last 15 years as a partner. Until recently Janet was a senior partner with EY Adelaide. Janet advises clients on commercial, tax and related accounting issues and works closely with finance teams, boards, auditors, audit committees and business owners. Janet has a sound understanding of corporate governance and risk management through her interaction with boards and audit teams.

Janet's current Board experience includes the Property Council of Australia, South Australian Finance & Tax Sub-Committee. Her previous Board experience was with The Australian Cranio-Maxillo Facial Foundation (Treasurer), Institute of Chartered Accountants of Australia, Regional Council of South Australia and EY Oceania Tax Executive 2009-2012.

Janet is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants in Australia and New Zealand and also The Taxation Institute of Australia. She is a Chartered Tax Adviser and registered Tax Agent.

### **Scott Hicks**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2014 as one of five nominees of the Minister and also a member of the Board's Finance Sub-Committee.

Scott is the Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of YourDC, which was established in 2015 and is Adelaide's most up-to-date private data centre provider offering state-of-the-art services to corporate and government clients. Scott is also owner / Director of Astelec which is a leader in the telecommunications construction, fibre optic, project services and electrical industry. Established for over 16 years and today is building the lion's share of all NBN infrastructure in SA.

Previously Scott was the Managing Director and one of the founders of Adam Internet which, through his some 17 years at the helm as Managing Director, became one of the leading Internet service providers in Australia. In 2013 the business was sold to iiNet and Scott exited the business in search of other pursuits.

Dedicated to the continued growth of the business, Scott helped facilitate a significant change in South Australia's broadband landscape. In partnership with the Government of South Australia, Adam Internet identified broadband blackspots as a serious barrier to the development of the state's communication services. A WiMax network was the solution which was rapidly implemented ensuring that South Australians have access to high speed broadband networks that exceed rest of the nation.

Scott is a member of Young Professionals Organisation and was formerly a board member of the Australian Institute of Management (2009 – 2015). He is a key contributor to the South Australian business community and is committed to improving data and communication solutions.

### **Andrew Luckhurst-Smith, LLB**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2012 as one of five nominees of the Minister, and also Chairman of the Board's Finance Sub-Committee.

Andrew is currently the Executive Chairman of Angas Securities Limited. He is a lawyer who has practiced for 25 years, principally in the area of banking & finance, and was a Partner in Charge of the Adelaide office of national law firm, Hunt & Hunt (formerly known as Ward & Partners), and a member of its national board prior to joining Angas Securities. He was a Director of ALR Corporation, a national mercantile agency of which he was one of the founders. He was responsible for business development nationally as well as managing the South Australian operations during the formative years of that company.

Andrew is a member of the Law Society of SA, Banking and Financial Services Law Association of Australia Limited and the Financial Services Institute of Australia. His other appointments are Board member of Anglican Funds South Australia and Chairman of the South Adelaide Football Club. Previous appointments include President of the National Anglican Schools Network of General Synod and Chairman of the South Australian Anglican Schools Commission.

**Ms Jillian Whittaker, BA, Diploma of Education**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2016 as one of three nominees of the Local Government Association.

Jillian is currently an elected member of the Campbelltown City Council since 2003, a member of the SA Australian Local Government Association State Executive since 2007 and also Vice President of the LGA since 2011. Other positions currently held include Chairperson of the Local Government Research and Development Scheme since 2009, member of the SA Australian Local Government Women's Association Executive, Chairperson of Campbelltown City Council Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee and member of the DAIC Access and Inclusion Plan Steering Committee.

Jillian was a former Deputy Mayor of the Campbelltown City Council 2006 – 2014, member of the Campbelltown Library Redevelopment Committee and Working Party 2006 – 2010 and member of the Migrant Resource Centre Board 2011 – 2014. She was also the recipient of a John Legoe Encouragement Award in 2011.

Jillian previously held various positions within the Commonwealth Public Service including Commonwealth Employment Service, Department of Social Security, Department of Education and Centrelink. She was also a registered teacher at Unley High School, Inangahua College NZ and Seddon College, Auckland.

**Dr Jan-Claire Wisdom, BA (Hons) English Language/Philosophy, Postgrad Dip Lib & Inf Studies, B Litt (Journalism), MA (Communications), PhD Social Science, AALIA, ALA UK (now CILIP)**

Appointed to the Libraries Board in 2012 as one of three nominees of the Local Government Association.

Jan-Claire is an Elected Member of the Adelaide Hills Council and an information and communications professional with ten years' experience in media, marketing and academic research, as well as ten years in ICT and finance. She has worked in the UK, USA, Australia and elsewhere in government, finance, education and cultural sectors. Jan-Claire has a track record of project management, strategic planning, systems analysis, business development and administration and management consulting. She is a published author on library and information issues and recently completed a PhD on new communications technologies and the development of Australian national cultural policy. She currently freelances as an academic researcher and communications consultant.

Jan-Claire is currently Chair of the Local Government prescribed Section 41 Committee: CEO Performance Review Panel and a member of the SA Murray Darling Basin NRM Board. She was awarded a Leaders Institute of SA scholarship for the Governor's Leadership Foundation 2015 program.

Jan-Claire was a former Deputy Mayor of the Adelaide Hills Council (2013 & 2014), a Governing Council Member of Glenunga International High School, member of the SA Water Patawalonga Catchment Board Management Committee, SA State Government Advisory Committee for Childcare Policy, and UniSA's Childcare Management Committee. She was also a reservist in the Defence Forces serving as an intelligence analyst in Australia, UK, Germany, Norway and Hong Kong.