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Cave Gardens, Mount Gambier. Looking toward the Globe Hotel in Ferrers Street, 1930, SLSA B 72380

## ***The State Library is coming to the South East***

Librarians from the State Library of South Australia are heading to the South East to meet the community and tell them about the resources and services available at the Library.

From 20 to 21 October staff will be at the Mount Gambier Show, before they begin a series of collection specialist talks and demonstrations at public libraries in Mount Gambier, Millicent and Bordertown.

Director State Library of South Australia, Alan Smith commented, “The State Library is for everyone to experience and enjoy, and we are thrilled to be able to visit communities in the South East to share what we can offer them. We are committed to reaching our regional communities and providing them with opportunities to access the Library’s resources and services from a distance”.

The free 3 day program includes collection specialist talks about family history, World War One letters and diaries, and the pioneering South Australian Sir Hubert Wilkins. We are also holding professional development sessions for teachers to find out how the State Library can help students improve their research skills.

All talks include a demonstration of the recently launched Digital Collections website (<http://digital.collections.slsa.sa.gov.au/>). Digital Collections showcases selected treasures from the vast collections of the State Library. Focusing on South Australiana, we've made available oral histories, items related to South Australia's involvement in World War One and treasures that have featured in our Treasures Wall exhibitions.

For full program and booking details visit [www.slsa.sa.gov.au/ontheroad](http://www.slsa.sa.gov.au/ontheroad).

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