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1) Copland Foundation Grants and Copland Foundation Attingham Scholarships – closing date 15 November

The Copland Foundation Grants

The Copland Foundation funds projects throughout Australia that fall under the umbrella of Alex Copland's interests, namely:

- The study, management, conservation, acquisition, and interpretation of collections
- The study, management, conservation, acquisition and interpretation of relevant historic architecture
- The provision of education programs, whether for staff of such museums, institutions, societies, organisations or for the general public
- The purchase of art works and/or other artefacts, to be identified on public display by the purchaser as a gift from the Copland Foundation

The Copland Foundation Attingham Scholarships

Each year, The Copland Foundation also provides scholarships to attend study programmes in the offered by the UK Attingham Trust that explore historic residences, their collections and landscapes.

Applications for grants and the scholarships close on **15 November**.

Details and application forms are available on the [Copeland Foundation](#) website.

(Source: Australia ICOMOS E-Mail News No. 705)

2) Community Heritage Grants 2015 announced by National Library of Australia

The National Library of Australia has announced the award of grants to a number of FAHS constituent and affiliated societies, including the RHSV and RAHS (See <http://www.rahs.org.au/rahs-awarded-community-heritage-grant-from-the-national-library-of-australia/>). The grants are provided to assist with the preservation of locally owned, but nationally significant collections of materials that are publicly accessible including artefacts, letters, diaries, maps, photographs, and audio visual material. For the full list, visit - <https://www.nla.gov.au/chg/community-heritage-grants-recipients-2015>

(Source: <https://www.nla.gov.au/chg/community-heritage-grants-recipients-2015>)

3) 200-year-old boundary tree in WA state heritage-listed

The WA Minister for Environment and Heritage has announced the state heritage listing of a rare surviving boundary tree, still growing on the banks of the Upper Swan. The Minister said that "This tree represents one of the earliest efforts by the British settlers to mark out the area that would become Perth". The tree was identified by University of Notre Dame Australia archaeologist Dr Shane Burke and local historian Harold Loton, who nominated the place to the State Register.



"We are fortunate to have such committed professionals and locals who have gone to great lengths to uncover these important links to the early days of British settlement," the Minister said.
"It's quite unusual for single trees to be recognised on the State register; however this tree is very rare as a place directly associated with founding members of the colony Captain James Stirling and John Septimus Roe."

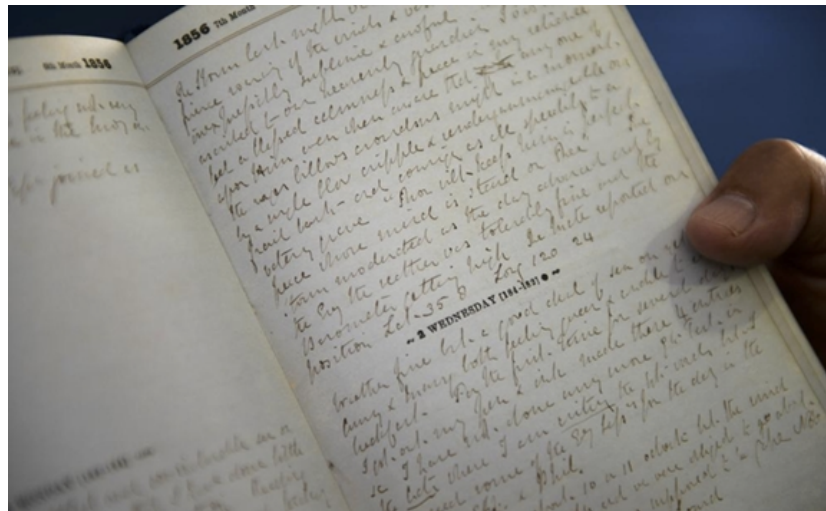
(Source: Media Statement by the Hon Albert Jacob MLA, Minister for Environment; Heritage, 16 October 2015, <https://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Barnett/2015/10/200-year-old-boundary-tree-heritage-listed.aspx>)

4) Closure of Seppelt Great Western heritage winery announced

The *Australian* reports (31 October 2015) the closure of the Victorian vineyard that was founded 150 years ago and is famous for its underground "drives" - cellars tunnelled out by gold diggers in the 1860s. "It's an iconic old winery," says fifth-generation vigneron Ben Thomson, managing director of nearby winery Best's Great Western, due to celebrate its own 150th anniversary next year. "I can't imagine what it will be like ... it's been there my whole life, my dad's whole life, my grandpa's whole life." The corporate owner, Treasury, has announced that it will consider selling the old Seppelt winery and cellars, but not the brand or vineyards.

(Source: *The Australian*, 31 October 2015)

5) Diaries by first Anglican Archbishop of Perth returned to Australia



Picture: Ian Munro/*The West Australian*

The *West Australian* reports (30 October 2015) that diaries written between 1856 and 1875 by Mathew Blagden Hale, the first Anglican Bishop of Perth, have been returned to Perth. The diaries, which had been inherited by Hale's great-granddaughter were returned from Britain and entrusted to the care of Hale School, which grew out of a school Bishop Hale founded in Perth in 1858.

(Source: *West Australian*, 30 October 2015)

6) Indigenous history and gender equity top priorities for new NSW Board of Studies curriculum

The *Sydney Morning Herald* reports (26 October 2015) that the NSW Board of Studies has proposed a review of Indigenous Australian content as one of its top priorities for the new NSW HSC history curriculum. The renewed push to prioritise Indigenous content in NSW is part of a wider move from the government and the Board of Studies to distance itself from parts of the National Curriculum. The review could seek to establish

whether an equal number of historically prominent men and women are being studied across both the Ancient and Modern History curriculum.

The draft writing briefs are open for feedback until November 29. (See

<http://news.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/index.cfm/2015/10/30/Consultation-on-Senior-Years-English-Mathematics-Science-and-History-continues>)

(Source: *Sydney Morning Herald*, 26 October 2015)

7) Australian Academy of the Humanities 46th Annual Symposium – Intersections: Time, Materiality and the Humanities

To be held on the 26-27 November 2015 at the University of Sydney, the Academy's 46th Annual Symposium will explore new frontiers in humanities research centred on intersections between objects and timescales. Scholars from across various disciplines will investigate the ways in which the material world is used, shaped and negotiated over timescales of vastly differing depths. Expanding beyond texts and visual media, materiality also encompasses memories, objects and landscapes. Histories that draw on this broader palette offer new means of envisioning the past, including novel conceptions about 'Deep Time' or 'Big History'. The Symposium will address a wide range of perspectives on time and materiality in the fields of art practice, cultural studies, philosophy, history, linguistics, heritage, and archaeology. The intersections between these varied perspectives will provide a forum for productive discussion and debate.

More Information: <http://www.humanities.org.au/Events/AnnualSymposium.aspx>

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