

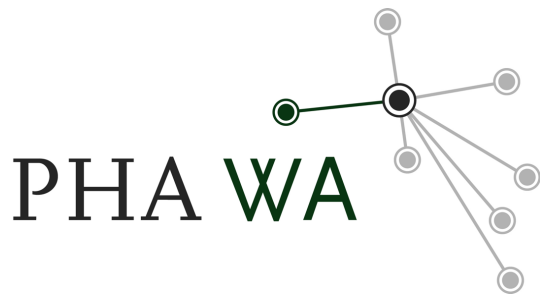
## PROFESSIONAL HISTORIANS ASSOCIATION (WA) INC

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### REGISTER OF CONSULTANTS

Membership of a Professional Historians Association in Australia requires accreditation under a National Standard. There are four recognised membership categories:

- Professional Historian
- Professional Historian (Associate)
- Graduate Historian
- Professional Historian (Retired)

The names and details for PHA (WA) members who are currently available for employment follow, in alphabetical order within each category.

#### Admission Criteria

Criteria are in the National Standard for the Accreditation of Professional Historians in Australia. A checklist presents the acceptable combinations of academic qualifications and professional experience. More details on accreditation can be found on the national website.

#### Fees

Fees for commissions differ according to the individual's qualifications, expertise and the length of the project being undertaken as indicated in the [Scale of Fees](#) recommended for the engagement of Accredited Professional Historians in Australia. The availability of all members is likely to be subject to work in progress.

#### Standards

Whilst each PHA (WA) member must adhere to the PHA [Code of Ethics](#) and Professional Standards for Professional Historians in Australia, the Association cannot guarantee that a member will be suitable for a specific project or task. The Association publishes this list in good faith, and with due care, but it reminds those who use it that the PHA (WA) members named below are independent professionals and should be treated as such.

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## PROFESSIONAL HISTORIANS

### Dr Bruce Baskerville

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I am a country-based independent Public Historian, with over 25 years' experience in public and private practice in WA, NSW and Norfolk Island. I am a casual UWA research academic, involved with several local historical and heritage societies. Research areas include local history, place names, co-operatives, fishing, queer, convict, secession, heraldry, Crown and viceroyalty, plaque programs, thematic histories, comparative studies and statements of significance. Some recent history publications include *Let Our Co-operative Spirit Stand* (2019), *Could Not Even Be Named: Sodomites Transported to Western Australia between 1851 and 1863* (2020), and *Themes for Westralian Histories - Reading the Loved Land* (2021). I have authored over 30 CMPs for heritage items. See [InContact](#) for details. I am available for commissions in the Metropolitan, Batavia Coast and Midlands regions. CV available on request.

### Kristy Bizzaca

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Has worked as a heritage consultant and professional historian since 1998. Has qualifications in English, history and public history specialising in the research of the post-European settlement and the built environment of Western Australia. Extensive experience in: the preparation of heritage assessments, conservation plans, thematic histories and municipal inventories; the development of museum and interpretation projects; and, undertaking significance assessments of archives and heritage collections. Availability part-time. Curriculum Vitae and quotes available on request.

### Robin Chinnery

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Qualifications in history, public history, and education. Extensive experience researching Western Australian history of places and people for heritage, conservation, interpretation and social histories. Available for long- or short-term projects. Curriculum Vitae available on request.

### Dr Cathie Clement OAM

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Specialises in data about people, places, and land tenure in Australia's north-west. Has extensive database and library holdings relevant to the locality and has undertaken research at repositories throughout Australia. Familiar with heritage issues (Aboriginal and European), native title, editing and publishing. Has worked in multi-disciplinary teams and with community groups. Current availability limited.

## **Cathy Day**

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Cathy has completed heritage projects within 45 different Local Government areas across the state. Starting with the compilation and review of Municipal Inventories, specialisation has led to Museum Collection Significance Assessment. All collections can be analysed through the lens of a carefully developed, consistent process which will meet both LotteryWest and National Library of Australia requirements.

## **Dr Dorothy Erickson**

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Over forty years' experience researching, writing and publishing on Western Australian art, design and heritage including considerable experience with Western Australian heritage projects, conservation plans and significance assessments. Freelance exhibition curator, collections auditor and author of books and numerous articles on art design and moveable heritage. Expert Examiner for the Federal Government on Portable Heritage. Shortlisted for the Premier's Book Award 2016. Winner of Individual Contribution at the Western Australian Heritage Awards 2017. Design Institute of Australia Hall of Fame 2020. Publications include *Art and Design in Western Australia: Perth Technical College 1900- 2000*, *A Joy Forever: the story of Kings Park, Gold and Silversmithing in Western Australia: A History*, *Inspired by Light and Land: Designers and Makers in Western Australia 1829- 1969*, *A Passion for Silversmithing: Philip Noakes gold and silversmith*, and *Inspired by Light and Land: designers and Makers in Western Australia 1970-21st Century*. A website on the painter Miguel Mackinlay has been launched.

## **Dr Criena Fitzgerald**

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Twenty-five years' experience in oral history interviewing including work for the SLWA, the NAA and for Professor A James Hammerton, Alistair Thomson *Ten Pound Poms. Australia's Invisible Migrants: A Life History of British Postwar Emigration to Australia*, publication. Author of *A Press in Isolation: A History of the University of WA Press*, *'Kissing can be Dangerous' The Public Health Campaign to Prevent and Control Tuberculosis in Western Australia, 1900-1960*, *Turning Men into Stone: A Social and Medical History of Silicosis in Western Australia 1890-1970*, *Shattered Ideals and Fractured Identities: Western Australia to Yugoslavia and back 1948-1955*, in press *For A Better Life: Yugoslavs in the Western Australian Goldfields 1890-1970*. Currently working on a biography of Afghan cameleer, Faiz Mahomet. Interests include social history, women's history, and particularly medical and occupational health history. Available for long- or short-term contracts.

### **Prue Griffin**

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Extensive experience as a researcher and historian in post European settlement in Western Australia. Specialist area of expertise is heritage and conservation with considerable experience in the preparation of heritage assessments, conservation management plans and municipal heritage inventories in metropolitan Perth and regional WA. Able to work with large multi-disciplinary teams or solo projects. Application of research skills for the preparation of content for interpretive displays is also undertaken. Available for long or short-term projects. Curriculum Vitae and quotations available on request.

### **Lucy Hair**

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Has worked in history and heritage since 1994. Experienced in researching histories of WA places for heritage assessments. Extensive experience managing public history projects. In addition to operating a registered History and Heritage Consultancy has worked for State Government, Local Government and a University. Available for short- or long-term projects. Curriculum Vitae available upon request.

### **Dr Luke Lecras**

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Historian, researcher, and writer. Has taught and published as an academic historian on subjects including 20th century Europe and the United Kingdom, international history and contemporary politics. Currently working as a writer and researcher for a marketing and public relations company, with recent projects including a corporate history of Toyota in Western Australia. Trained and accredited as an oral historian.

### **Dr James Mills**

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I specialise in military history, World War II, and the history of the Cold War. I am the author of *The Origins of Surface-to-Air Guided Missile Technology: German flak rockets and the onset of the Cold War* (Casemate, 2022). Recently, my research has focused on the transfer of scientific and technical knowledge from the Axis powers to Australia, war reparations, and early post-World War II industrial development in Australia.

Since my doctorate was conferred in 2020, I have worked as a freelance editor and an independent researcher. For a reasonable hourly rate, I can edit manuscripts of up to 120,000 words on any military history, World War II, Cold War, or twentieth century Australian history subject. I am also available to undertake archival research in Australia for projects requiring research on governmental, military, industrial, and technological aspects of twentieth century Australian history.

### **Helen Munt**

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Experienced historian, heritage, interpretation, and collections consultant, specialising in post-colonial Australian history, working in a number of metropolitan and regional areas around the State and on the east coast. In addition to project work, Helen has been engaged on substantive contracts for local and state government agencies including Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, Rottnest Island Authority and Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority as well as in private enterprise. Helen also has experience in the museums/collection management, archives, and oral history sectors. She has written and produced award winning interpretive/site-specific theatrical and immersive experiences relating to historic events, places, and people and to activate historic spaces and buildings. Available for short- or long-term contracts. Curriculum Vitae and fee proposals provided on request.

### **Jennifer Weir**

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A Fellow of the Royal Historical Society (United Kingdom), services include historical research, briefings, literature reviews, peer reviews and publications of various types. Vast experience in the areas of policy development, strategic planning, business planning, organisational development and quality assurance services. This, together with extensive knowledge of governance, ethics and research methods, offers clients unique and high quality skills in project planning and development. Availability flexible. CV available on request.

## **PROFESSIONAL HISTORIANS (ASSOCIATE)**

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Member of Australian Society of Sports Historians. Member of Association of Cricket Statisticians and Historians. Specialises in cricket history and player records. This covers club histories, WA cricket grounds and players etc. from Test cricket level to club to Country Week to Darlot Cup (local private schools). Regular contributor to national and international cricket publications. Has over 30 years' experience and authored *100 Not Out - a History of Country Week Cricket in WA and Making the Grade – the history WACA District cricket*. Availability part-time.

### **Philippa Rogers**

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Experienced in historical research, with extensive knowledge of WA's railway history. In particular I have applied this to exhibition development in museums, publications, and conservation plans.

Other museum / heritage work includes significance assessments and collection work. Experienced in community, local government, and state government work. Availability flexible and available for regional work.

### **Jacqui Sherriff**

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Historian, researcher, curator and heritage manager with over twenty years' experience working with various community groups, organisations and state and local government. Qualifications in history, philosophy, heritage management and museum studies. Extensive experience in oral, social and institutional histories, heritage and significance assessments, conservation planning and delivery, thematic histories and municipal inventories, interpretation and community engagement planning and delivery, and place and collection management. CV and quotes available on request.

### **Julia Wallis**

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Oral historian and researcher. Has worked for the State Library of Western Australia as well as for various local studies centres, local museums and for university projects. Interests include medieval history; women's history; social and environmental history; sport and cinema.

## **GRADUATE HISTORIANS**

### **Sandra C Curtis**

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Cultural heritage consultant with practical experience in heritage issues, conservation of the built environment and museum work within Western Australia. Qualifications in Cultural Heritage and Anthropology, youth studies and architecture. Work has included producing statements of significance, exhibition development and generating interpretation plans for local museums, the National Trust (WA) and State Heritage Office. Has owned and operated a business in the construction industry for nearly 30 years. This involved conservation work of historic homes in Western Australia. Interests in the culinary practices of settlers in Western Australia and the built environment.

### **Alyssa Gilchrist**

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An experienced historian and archaeologist who has been working in heritage consulting in Australia for over 14 years, since 2008 Alyssa has been part of a business partnership, operating the consultancy Qu.A.C. Archaeology and Heritage. In 2017 Alyssa co-founded and became Director of Alliance Archaeology Pty Ltd, a partner firm of heritage professionals who work together on large-scale historical archaeological projects Australia-wide. Alyssa has formal qualifications in

Australian history and archaeology and extensive experience in historical research and writing, as well as in conducting heritage assessments. Alyssa has previously undertaken a wide variety of historical and archaeological work for a variety of clients including state and local government, industry (mining and construction), professional (architects and other heritage consultancies) and non-profit organisations (such as historical societies). Available for long- or short-term projects. Curriculum Vitae and quotes available on request.

### **Carmel Given**

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Carmel is a cultural heritage professional and highly skilled historian and writer, with extensive experience in producing content about Western Australia's history. She is also a qualified librarian with expert skills in archival and digital research. Her strong contextual knowledge supports a wide range of history and heritage work. Carmel works with State and local governments, Aboriginal Elders, Traditional Owners and Knowledge Holders, in collaboration with colleagues in architecture, planning, urban design, landscaping and archaeology, to deliver holistic solutions for all aspects of WA heritage. Curriculum Vitae and quotations on request.

### **Kaylene Heard**

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Available for historical research for museum, archival and public heritage collections including the cataloguing and describing of film, photos and artefacts. Currently working for the Kwinana Heritage Group (Kwinana/Smirk's Heritage Site) continuing the accessioning, onto Mosaic, of their heritage collection. Past work has included research on Kwinana for the Darius Wells Library at the State Archives; part-time as a volunteer at the W.A. Maritime Museum – History section – working on their vessel histories; the research and publication of three volumes on pre-1950 film held at the State Film Archives of W.A. (assisted by grants from the W.A. History Foundation); and an unpublished book – Eendracht to North Star: Indigenous & Alien Vessels Linked To Western Australia 1616 to 1850 (archival copy held at Battye Library).

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Specialist in Albany and the Great Southern region of WA. Experienced in library research as a former Battye Librarian/Historian and Albany Local Studies Librarian. Projects include conservation plans and heritage impact statements (in conjunction with heritage architects, H+H Architects) for Denmark District Hospital, Vancouver Arts Centre, Scots Church Albany, and White Star Hotel. Worked on interpretation plans with designers for the Albany Welcome Walls, Brig Amity, Albany Golf Club, Albany Waterfront Project, and Kalgan Crossing site. Also has museum exhibition experience, Indigenous project skills, municipal heritage inventories and oral history capability. Curriculum Vitae and quotes available on request.

## **HISTORICAL RESEARCHER**

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Experienced in the research of local history and the built environment. Specialising in the research of people, places and buildings to provide documentary evidence for conservation management strategies, conservation management plans and assessments, heritage reports, heritage impact statements and significance assessments. Particular interests include the Arts and Crafts period and early vernacular structures. Working as a heritage consultant/ historian for over twenty years and specialising in the southwest area. Supporting Australia ICOMOS through institutional membership. Curriculum Vitae available on request.