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Profile - Rick Hayward



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Practices Impacting on Noongar People in the Geopraphe Bay region, of the Southwest. Rick is a proud Noongar man with ancestral connections to the Southern Kaneang, Menang and Esperance Nyunga's.

Rick is recognised as a Noongar Elder, by the Southwest Aboriginal Land and Sea Council. He is currently an elected member representative on the Karri Karrak Aboriginal Corporation, Cultural Advice Committee. In 1991 Rick was the first Noongar to complete a UWA Law Degree and was awarded the WA NAIDOC Aboriginal student of the year. In 1992 he presented to the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous peoples in Geneva, speaking about barriers to criminal law representation for his Indigenous clients in North West Queensland.

After working as a Public Servant in the 1990s in Health, Aboriginal Affairs and Native Title, Rick graduated from ECU as a teacher. For 16 years Rick worked as a schoolteacher in remote community schools and regions throughout Western Australia. Rick's career transitioned from Education back to Law in 2019. For two years he was the Alice Springs Coordinator of Law & Justice Projects, for the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency. In 2021 he re-entered the legal profession as a Solicitor, with the Legal Aid Commission of Western Australia, where he worked until June 2024.

This year Rick was awarded a History Association of Australia scholarship, to present a paper at their annual conference titled: "Where are the official reports into one of the most bloodthirsty deeds ever committed by Englishmen in Western Australia?"

Rick is a UWA Law School Guest Lecturer, Greens WA First Nations Committee Co-convenor, and the endorsed Greens Candidate for the seat of Cannington, in the 2025 State Election.

Events - Western Australia

Wadjemup Wirin Bidi Commemorative Ceremony

Saturday 9th November, 10am to 2:15pm

A cultural Ceremony for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to gather together to facilitate healing and commemorate those affected by the past incarceration of Aboriginal men and boys on Wadjemup. The public Commemorative Ceremony will be held on Wadjemup on Saturday 9 November 2024. The Ceremony is men's and women's Sorry Business and the program will include truth-telling from Traditional Owners and Elders, Aboriginal presentations, Yarning Circles, and cultural activities.

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Symposium, 'Everyday Heritage and Difficult Legacies', CHASS 2024

Perth, Thursday 28 November 2024, 10.00am to 5.00pm

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Everyday life is commonly characterised as uncomplicated and routine. Nevertheless, some everyday lives are challenging, especially when experienced in prisons and conflict zones, and by marginalised, colonised, and repressed groups. This symposium will explore everyday heritage and difficult legacies, starting with the work of our international keynote speakers – Laura McAtackney (University College Cork, Ireland) and Timo Ylimaunu (University of Oulu, Finland) and drawing in diverse perspectives from Western Australia and all around the nation. Please join the conversation hosted by the ARC Everyday Heritage Linkage Project team and our

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Everyday Heritage and Difficult Legacies Workshop

Fremantle Prison, Perth, 29th November 2024

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Supported by the ARC Everyday Heritage Linkage Project and Fremantle Prison, this workshop will bring together heritage practitioners seeking to explore the role and relevance of everyday heritage and difficult legacies in their work. Primed by case study presentations, participants will discuss and contribute ideas, methods, and case examples that can inform the development and publication of heritage industry-focused guidance. The workshop will be relevant to heritage specialists working in the fields of heritage conservation and management, architecture, history, archaeology, and planning.

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Everyday Heritage and Difficult Legacies

Masterclass, Fremantle Prison, Perth, 29th November 2024

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW OPEN

Everyday life is commonly characterised as uncomplicated and routine. But some everyday lives are experienced in prisons and conflict zones, or are shaped by colonisation, repression, or marginalisation. This Masterclass will explore challenging forms of everyday heritage and history, and how we interpret and manage them in the present. It provides an opportunity for postgraduate students and early career researchers to meet and discuss their research with distinguished scholars. Over a morning masterclass, participants will give short presentations, followed by responses and discussions in a supportive environment. Total attendance will be no more than 15 to allow for a relaxed, informal atmosphere. The Masterclass will end with a 60-minute tour of Fremantle Prison.

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The Royal Western Australian Historical Society - Community Talk

Lenore Layman - Domestic servants in early colonial households

14th November 2024, 10:00-11:30am

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Jobs and Opportunities - Western Australia

Heritage Officer (50D)

Rottneest Island Authority

The Heritage Officer (50D) forms part of the Heritage team, in the Environment, Heritage and Parks business area. The position assists the Heritage Team with management and cultural care of Aboriginal heritage and sites across the Island. The position assists with truth-telling projects and engagement with a range of stakeholders including Aboriginal Elders, Traditional Owners and community groups.

Research Fellow - Centre for Social Impact**University of Western Australia**

The Centre for Social Impact (CSI) is a national research and education centre dedicated to catalysing social change for a better world. CSI is built on the foundation of four of Australia's leading universities: UNSW, The University of Western Australia (UWA), Swinburne University of Technology and Flinders University.

To learn more about this opportunity, please contact Professor Paul Flatau at paul.flatau@uwa.edu.au

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Events**Australian Academy of the Humanities, Annual Symposium, 'The Ideas and Ideals of Australia: The Lucky Country Turns Sixty'****Canberra, 14th - 15th November 2024**

The Australian Academy of the Humanities' 55th Annual Symposium will take on the big questions posed by Horne and bring others to the fore. Convened by Professor Frank Bongiorno and Professor Mark McKenna.

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Oral History Australia Biennial Conference**Melbourne, 21st - 24th November 2024**

This conference theme 'The Power of Oral History—Risks, Rewards & Possibilities' taps into the many powerful features of oral history practice including the potential to evoke powerful emotions, bring forth new voices and engage new audiences through multimedia.

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History Council of Victoria, 2024 Annual Lecture [Available Online]**Professor Katie Holmes, Drought, flooding rains and futures: environmental history in the Murray Darling Basin****14th November 2024, 6pm AEDT**

This talk draws on recently conducted oral history interviews in the Murray Darling Basin to explore the kinds of stories people tell about environmental change and environmental justice; marginalised narratives of resistance and empowerment; and the ways experiences of the past and present shape imaginings of the future. And I ask: what are the stories historians might tell that can move us forward and frame our futures with imagination, compassion and hope?

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RAHS Day Lecture – The Antipodean Laboratory: Re-reading the colonial archive [Available Online]

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This talk explores this provocative idea, showing how Australia was a key colonial field where British ideas could be trialled in experimental sites that transformed and distilled them before returning them as textual and material artefacts through circuits of correspondence and print culture.

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43rd Annual Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Law and History Society

Faculty of Law and Justice, UNSW Sydney

17th - 19th November 2024

Conference abstracts are invited to engage with the themes, tensions, and dynamics of change and continuity across law and history.

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Opening the Multilingual Archive of Australia Conference

University of Sydney

2nd December - 3rd December 2024

The conference will explore themes of 'Multilingual archives and histories' and 'Multilingualism in translation'. Australian Anglocentrism raises essential questions about the dynamics of living in a multilingual society. This conference aims to mobilise Australia's considerable, under-utilised non-English language resources to rethink our migrant and settler history.

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The Melbourne Colonial and Post-Colonial Histories Symposium

ACU Melbourne Campus

20th March 2025

Postgraduate students researching any aspect of colonialism and post-colonial pasts are invited to apply to participate in this one-day symposium hosted by the Australian Catholic University and Victoria University. The workshop aims to provide collegial feedback on doctoral research and build scholarly networks. Student participants will pre-circulate an article manuscript or a thesis chapter. In addition to receiving feedback from the group, each student will be paired with an experienced academic who will provide detailed comments on their work in progress.

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News and Announcements

AHA General History Thesis Prize

The AHA's General History Thesis Prize is awarded to the best postgraduate thesis in History (excluding Australian history). General History is understood to be any field of history with a focus that is not primarily Australian History. Theses primarily focused on Australian history are eligible for the Serle Award and other AHA prizes. The prize will next be awarded in 2025, for a thesis conferred in the period 1 January – 31 December 2024.

Applications close: 31st January 2025

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Australia ICOMOS

Expressions of Interest for Editorial Roles – Historic Environment

Australia ICOMOS is calling for Expressions of Interest (EOI) in the editorial roles for our long running and high quality journal, now in its 44th year. The roles include Editor, Assistant Editor(s) and Book Reviews Editor. EOIs are welcomed from individuals, but a team-based approach is strongly encouraged. There are currently 5 special issues in preparation or production, so any new team would have a transition period within which to embed their strategy. A landmark issue on Queer Heritage will be published in November. If you (or your team) are interested in these roles please contact the Secretariat in the first instance and you will be supplied with a further briefing to guide your EOI. Contact the Secretariat: austicomos@deakin.edu.au

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Call for New Collective Members, Lilith

Lilith: A Feminist History Journal is currently looking for new members of the Editorial Collective. All postgraduate students and Early Career Researchers with an interest in women's, feminist, or gender history are invited to submit an Expression of Interest. New members will work as part of the Collective team and in conjunction with the Australian Women's History Network team of national convenors to produce the 2025 issue of the Journal, coordinate the 2025 Lilith conference, and gain journal and editorial experience.

EOIs due 25th November 2024

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UWA Public Policy Institute

The Voice Referendum: Reflections on the Road Ahead (10 October, 2024) - Recording available

If you were interested in this panel but unable to attend a video is now available. Speakers: Tyson McEwan (WA Youth Representative of the Uluru Statement from the Heart), Associate Professor Hannah McGlade (Curtin Law School), Aurora Milroy (National Native Title Council), the Hon Ken Wyatt AM JP (Minister for Indigenous Australians). Chair: Sophie Coffin (Bennett Litigation and Commercial Law).

[Recording available here](#)

New Books in History Podcast Episode

Jane Lydon - *Anti-Slavery and Australia: No Slavery in a Free Land?*

In this episode, Professor Jane Lydon discusses her 2021 publication with Dr Ari Barbalat.

[Episode available here](#)

Jobs and Opportunities

Stephen Fitzgerald Scholars Programme

20th-22nd November 2024

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This three-day program is being offered to 30 Chinese scholars from Australian universities.

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University of New England, Australian Message Stick Project

Research Opportunities

Seeking honours or postgraduate students who wish to pursue research topics related to message sticks. Eligibility is based on having completed relevant undergraduate coursework and/or professional experience. First Nations status is regarded as relevant experience in this instance.

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Calls for Papers

InASA 2025 Conference

Macquarie University, Sydney, 5th - 7th February 2025

This InASA conference will revolve around the theme 'Australian Studies in the 21st Century: Human and More-Than-Human Worlds'. We welcome proposals for individual papers, 3 member panels, or 4-5 member roundtables for plenary sessions, that engage with the conference theme from diverse disciplines, perspectives, and methodologies. We particularly encourage submissions that prioritise Indigenous voices.

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Conference, 'Human Rights Archives and the Problems of Provenance'

The University of Sydney, 25th - 27th June 2025

Closes 25th November 2024

We welcome proposals for paper presentations, panels, workshops, and artistic presentations from archivists, archival studies scholars, human rights activists, historians, area studies specialists, artists, community organizers and others.

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The Privilege of Trailblazing Workshop

Australian National University, 28th March 2025

This workshop aims to critically investigate the figure of the trailblazing woman. We invite papers that investigate trailblazing women in a variety of fields of endeavour and historical time periods in Australia. We particularly welcome papers addressing questions such as: What has enabled trailblazing over time? In what ways other than gender were women trailblazers connected? What are the links between privilege, power, and trailblazing? To what extent did these women use their positions to make change for future generations? Why are we interested in these figures? And what are we trying to achieve in telling their stories in 2025? We encourage papers that provide comparative perspectives from other settings, particularly New Zealand and the Pacific, or that

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Australian Journal of Politics & History Special Issue: Australia in the Fraser Years

Closes 13th November 2024

This issue will address or re-examine significant issues that defined Australian politics from 1975 to 1983. Proposals/abstracts that address the CfP theme using any methodological approach (broadly within the history or political science disciplines) are welcome! Abstracts should be no more than 300 words in length.

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Australian Society for the Study of Labour History

Call for papers: Labour Archives and Methodologies

Closes 1st March 2025

We are interested in articles that demonstrate and reflect upon the practices of labour history and future trends in the field. We invite submissions that promote discussion of what labour historians do and how we do it, the opportunities and the challenges associated with labour history archives, and transnational research. Articles may include reflections on ethics, funding, politics and government policies, and new methods of dissemination (such as online exhibitions, blogs, websites and the like). We encourage submissions on the history of workers, of labour, and/or activism in diverse locations and eras. Our goal is to capture the future directions (or dilemmas) for the field of labour history.

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Studies in Oral History, Issue no.47

The Power of Oral History – Risks, Rewards & Possibilities

Closes 17th January 2025

We invite papers that employ or interrogate oral history methodologies and illuminate aspects of the risks, rewards and possibilities of oral history.

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ICOMOS Australia

Submissions – Historic Environment Special Issue Marking 50 years of Australia ICOMOS

2026 will be the 50th anniversary of the founding of Australia ICOMOS. Special Issue Editors, Prof Tracy Ireland and Dr Steve Brown, are seeking submissions that reflect on the past or the future, and on experiences, issues and prospects for heritage, for Australia ICOMOS and for the cultural sector, broadly conceived. We welcome abstracts of 300 words and a brief bio for the author(s). Submissions for non-traditional submissions, including photo-essays, visual or digital media, are also welcomed with the possibility of online presentations that might supplement the traditional hard copy journal.

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Two volumes of the Australia ICOMOS journal *Historic Environment* are in preparation and near finalisation. These are special issues which comprise papers related to the ICOMOS General Assembly and Scientific Symposium (GA2023). There is the opportunity for 2-3 papers to be added to these volumes. If you are interested in submitting a manuscript, particularly if it is an overview of a particular topic covered by presentations and sessions at GA2023 (such as cultural landscapes, intangible heritage, conflict, or a specific category of heritage or field of heritage conservation), email Steve Brown steveb.heritage@gmail.com.

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Australian Journal of Politics & History Special Issue: Australia in the Fraser Years

One of the ambitions of this special issue is to better understand the ways in which Australian society and politics changed in the Fraser years, as well as the policy substance and cultural style of the government itself. This issue will address or re-examine significant issues that defined Australian politics from 1975 to 1983.

Closes Wednesday 13th November 2024

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Human Rights Archives and the Problems of Provenance: Conference

University of Sydney

25th - 27th June 2025

We invite proposals for presentations, panels, workshops, and artistic contributions for an upcoming special issue of *Archival Science* focused on the evolving conceptions of provenance in relation to records documenting human rights abuses. Key questions include the implications of a survivor-centred approach, the effects of digitisation, and the role of trauma-informed and feminist ethics in archival practices. Contributors are encouraged to explore how these records can support healing, legal processes, and memorialisation, as well as the ethical considerations surrounding access, ownership, and stewardship.

Closes Monday 25th November 2024

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Cultures Croisées: French-Australian Cultural Connections

Exploring the Dynamics of Intercultural Exchange Symposium

Friday 2nd May - Saturday 3rd May 2025

The theme of the Symposium addresses the many and diverse cultural exchanges between France and Australia that have shaped both nations over centuries of migration, artistic collaborations and intellectual cross-pollination. This rich history of interaction has not only influenced the cultural landscapes of both nations but has also contributed to a deeper understanding of each other's societies. Building on the historical and conceptual frameworks and the diverse case studies presented in these works, this Symposium invites papers that further explore areas where French influence has been felt in Australia. Additionally, we encourage

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15th Annual Australian International Political Economy Network (AIPEN) Workshop

Adelaide University / Flinders University

February 6th - 7th 2025

The world economy is increasingly challenged by wicked problems and acute questions produced by overlaps and tensions between security, knowledge, finance and production. These include: what security/investment trade-offs should be made to secure access to critical materials and protect critical infrastructure? How much data surveillance are we willing to give to the market in exchange for better knowledge and security? What is the most politically viable path to a renewable energy strategy? How are changes in global value and wealth chain management transforming the treatment of labour and environmental resources? How are trends toward derisking and the rise of private finance transforming inclusive growth? How will climate breakdown force a revaluation of assets? AIPEN 2025 is looking for answers to these and similar questions and invites papers on the above themes or any issues related to change in the international political economy.

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