



Strait to the future plans moving straight ahead

Chris Richardson, conference planning committee

Preparation is well and truly underway for the 8th Asia-Pacific Specials, Health and Law Librarians Conference, *Strait to the future*, to be held in Hobart, Tasmania, from 22–26 August 1999.

The conference will be held at the Wrest Point Convention Centre, located on the banks of the Derwent River at Sandy Bay — an inner suburb of Hobart. All conference sessions will be held here — so no matter the weather, the temperature will be pleasant and the outlook superb.

Mures Conventions have been appointed as the conference organisers for *Strait to the future*, and our conference planning committee has already held meetings with them, which have progressed our planning quite considerably.

The members of the conference planning committee are: Andy Smithies (convenor), Meredith Newman (secretary), Kathy Sutherland (assistant secretary), Fran Millar (treasurer), Fiona Preston (program), Merrilyn Evans (trade), Chris Richardson (publicity), and Kathy Saurine (social).

The program committee is well on the way to identifying keynote speakers and developing themes for each day of the conference, while the social committee is also well advanced in planning an interesting social program with a distinctive Tasmanian flavour.

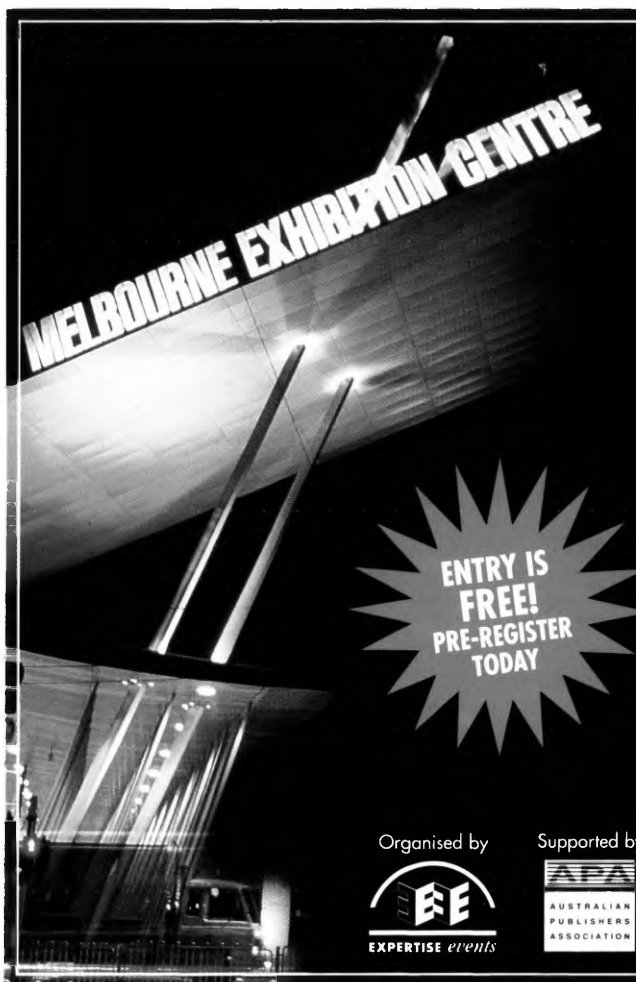
So, mark it in your diary for next year and come for a stimulating and exciting visit to Tasmania. Further information can be obtained from Chris Richardson via e-mail at christine.richardson@utas.edu.au

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