

# Don Schauder honoured by Monash and ALIA

Monash University has honoured its recently retired Professor of Information Management, Don Schauder, by bestowing on him the title Emeritus Professor. This is a high honour, recognising 'a former Professor's distinguished academic contributions and dedicated service to his/her field of study and/or the university'.

Don Schauder's contribution to the discipline of information management across multiple dimensions is outstanding, at Monash, in the profession, and in the research community. Don joined Monash as Chair in the discipline in 1996, and has served as Head of the Department of Librarianship, Archives and Records (1996-98) and Associate Dean Research, Faculty of Information Technology (2002-04).

ALIA's Board of Directors at their meeting on 15 May 2007 agreed to award Professor Schauder a Fellowship of the Association. Fellows are recognised as having attained an exceptionally high standard of proficiency in library and information science and for their distinguished contribution to the theory or practice of library and information science.

Don has a particularly strong reputation for innovation, for starting and fostering new research fields, and for professional generosity, especially towards early career professionals. For over a decade, he has been a leader in the young field of community informatics, which is concerned with the use of information and communication technologies (ICT) by communities and their organisations (as distinct from, say, business and government, where the use of ICT has been studied much more).

These awards are fitting recognition of Don's achievements and contributions.

A Fellowship citation will be available soon on the ALIA website at <http://alia.org.au/awards/fellowships/recipients.html>, and a longer appreciation of Don Schauder's achievements and Emeritus Professorship was published in *Australian Academic & Research Libraries*, March 2007, 38(1):68.



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