

Conferences

ALIA Information Online Conference and Exhibition 2011

The IOG committee are delighted to announce these inspirational keynote speakers for the 2011 Conference

Iarla Flynn – Google

Iarla is Head of Public Policy and Government Affairs with Google for Australia and New Zealand. His policy focus is on preserving the benefits of the open Internet. He joined Google in 2007 as European Public Policy Manager. His role included leading Google's advocacy for communications and spectrum liberalisation across Europe. Prior to joining Google he spent 12 years in senior roles in government and telecommunications operators in the Irish and European communications sectors.

Chris Winter – Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)

Chris works with the Strategic Development group of the Innovation Division of the ABC, engaged in new platform projects. Until mid 2007, Chris was the establishing manager of the ABC's digital-only, national television service ABC2. While manager of ABC2 Chris won the Outstanding Contribution (AIMIA) Award, recognising his ongoing involvement with the interactive media industry and his ability to inspire and foster industry development. The awards are the peak Australian multimedia industry awards.

Sarah Houghton-Jan – Librarian in Black

Sarah is the Digital Futures Manager for the San José Public Library in the heart of the Silicon Valley. Sarah was named a 2009 Library Journal Mover & Shaker as a trend spotter. Sarah also works as a consultant for the InfoPeople Project and has been involved with a number of ALA groups over the years, including a three-year stint as a member of LITA's Top Technology Trends Committee.

Michael Mace – Rubicon Consulting

Michael is a 20-year veteran of the tech industry. He is a widely regarded strategist who also does tactics, translating big ideas into practical implementation plans. Michael led development of the long-term product road map at Palm, drove Mac vs. Windows marketing at Apple, helped handset companies and carriers create their mobile data strategies at PalmSource, and managed worldwide customer research and competitive analysis at both Apple and Palm. Michael also writes the Mobile Opportunity blog.

ALIA IOG Excellence Award nominations now open

The award acknowledges excellence and innovation in performance by an information professional. Information on the 2009 award winner and nominees can be found on our blog.

The requirements, prize outline and nomination forms are available from the ALIA IOG Award website <http://www.alia.org.au/awards/merit/IOG.excellence/index.html>.

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2009 FA Sharr Medal

Catherine New, Librarian at Curtin University Library, was awarded the 2009 FA Sharr Medal by Margaret Allen, CEO and State Librarian and ALIA Vice-President. The medal is recognition by ALIA West that Catherine is a graduand who exhibits great potential and is most likely to have a positive impact on her preferred stream in the library profession, as well as demonstrating exceptional conceptual and analytical skills during the nomination process. The medal is named after Francis Aubie (Ali) Sharr, WA state librarian from 1953-1976 and was inaugurated in 1976.

Catherine began her library career in 2009 in the Research and Learning Services unit of Curtin Library. She is particularly interested in the use of technologies in the provision of information literacy and research support services in an online environment and was able to apply her interest and skills in a large information literacy project, producing online interactive tutorials for the library. She then co-presented a paper on early results of this project at the ShareCase 2009.

Already holding a graduate diploma in Library and Information Management from Charles Sturt University and a Bachelor of Arts (English and Film and Television) from the University of Queensland, Catherine is currently studying towards a Masters in Information Architecture through Charles Sturt University.

At the awards ceremony, Catherine addressed the audience on the adaptability of librarians and their ability to remain visible and relevant to their clients, particularly in the academic sector, by 'embedding' librarianship at the point-of-need. A keen believer in ALIA values, Catherine generously donates her time in promoting the industry and was thrilled to receive the award. Her parents travelled from country NSW to share the special evening in Perth with her.

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