

## REGIONAL SERVICES PROGRAM 2011

### Movable Heritage Fellowship

The Powerhouse Museum's Regional Services Program is supporting cultural heritage organisations across New South Wales to record, preserve and display their collections for the benefit of regional communities.

Tertiary students are invited to apply for the Movable Heritage Fellowship scholarship through the Regional Services Program in 2011.

#### Fellowship Aims

- Stimulate research into the movable heritage of New South Wales
- Increase skills in movable heritage interpretation
- Raise awareness of the importance of community collections in understanding Australian society
- Encourage students to work with community museums.

#### Value & Tenure

The value of the scholarship is \$5,000 over one year.

#### The research project

The successful student will undertake a research project on an object or group of objects in a NSW community museum, historical society or other collecting institution. S/he will need to develop an understanding of the object(s)' significance through researching, for example, relevant objects in other collections, oral recollections, documents, photographs, catalogues, letters or diaries. Projects that focus on migration heritage, agricultural machinery collections, dress and textile collections and original historic photographic collections are key areas of interest. Direct assistance and supervision will be provided by Powerhouse Museum staff and the successful student will be given access to the Museum's collection, documentation records, archives and library.

#### Eligibility

The successful applicant will:

- Be a continuing tertiary student
- Be enrolled in a course relevant to the research and documentation of an aspect of the movable heritage of NSW
- Have a sound academic record
- Be able to demonstrate how this research project will both inform his/her own studies and contribute to the community's greater understanding of movable heritage in NSW
- Be able to spend a minimum of one week in 2011 working with a supervisor at the Powerhouse Museum at a time that suits both student and supervisor
- Base the research project on an object or collection of objects in a NSW community museum, historical society or other collecting institution.

#### Conditions

The successful applicant will:

- Be given \$1500 after selection; \$1500 on submission and acceptance of a progress report by 1 June 2011 and the final \$2000 on submission and acceptance of the final report by 1 December 2011
- Be available to undertake supervised research at the Powerhouse Museum during 2011
- Produce a 'product' which can be made publicly accessible. The nature of this product will be agreed by the student and their supervisor. For example, it could be a research essay, a short film, a radio play, a school education text or a webpage for the community museum and/or Powerhouse Museum website
- Produce a 500–1000 word final report summarising the outcomes of the research and demonstrating that s/he has developed an effective working relationship with a collecting institution and the project is of benefit to both the custodians of the collection and the Powerhouse Museum
- Pay all expenses associated with the research project using the fellowship grant of \$5000. An acquittal of funds expended will be required by 30 June 2012.

### How to apply

Complete the application form below and return to: Regional Services Coordinator, Powerhouse Museum, PO Box K346, Haymarket 1238 NSW.

The closing date for Movable Heritage Fellowship applications is **4 February 2011**.

Applicants will also need to include copies of relevant supporting documents, including permission from the owner of the collection on which the project will be based.

Applications will be assessed by a committee made up of staff of the Powerhouse Museum and an external adviser.

Applicants must discuss their proposed project with relevant Powerhouse Museum staff and should consult the Coordinator to discuss their application:

Tel 1800 882 092 or (02) 9217 0220 / email [regionalservices@phm.gov.au](mailto:regionalservices@phm.gov.au)

## Application Form

### Movable Heritage Fellowship 2011

(Please print)

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Name

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Address

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Telephone

Fax

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Email

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#### Study details

1. Which tertiary institution will you be enrolling at in 2011?
2. Attendance mode (full time/part time):
3. Course you are, or will be, studying?

*Please attach a copy of your academic record*

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#### Project outline

Please provide a description of your project including details about the movable heritage materials you plan to draw on, the community collection you will be working with and the benefits this research will have to you and to the collection.

*If you are unsure as to what objects might be available/suitable, the Regional Services Coordinator will be able to assist with identifying a collection.*

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**Details of community collection**

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Name

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Address

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Contact person

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Daytime telephone number

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I have read the applicant's project outline and can confirm that our organisation supports the application and will provide access to the collection.

Name	Position
Signature	Date

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**Applicant**

Signature

Date

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