

CHASS Newsletter September 2016

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Book Now: 2016 CHASS Australia Prizes Dinner

2016 CHASS Australia Prizes Dinner 20 October 2016 Melbourne

*Join us as we honour distinguished achievements
in the humanities, arts and social sciences in Australia.*

*Dinner speaker: Singer, writer, artistic director, and
public advocate of the arts Robyn Archer AO CdOAL*

Venue:

*The Auditorium, Storey Hall, Building 16, RMIT University
336 - 348 Swanston Street, Melbourne*

*Drinks hosted by Mr Martin Bean CBE,
Vice-Chancellor, RMIT University from 6.15pm till 7pm
Please be seated for dinner by 7pm*

Tickets (incl. GST):

*\$121 | CHASS members
\$132 | general
\$108 | concession & student*



Dress code: Business attire

*Contact: Divya Das 03 9925 3935 or membership@chass.org.au
Limited seats only, tickets will not be available at the venue*



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Shortlists for our 2016 Australia Prizes are here!

Winners of the prestigious annual prizes will be announced on 20 October in Melbourne

The shortlisted nominees for the 2016 CHASS Australia Prize for a Book ~ cash prize of \$3,500 sponsored by Routledge (*alphabetical order*):

- **The Eighties: The Decade That Transformed Australia**, by Frank Bongiorno and published by Black Inc. Books
- **Across the Seas - Australia's Response to Refugees: A History**, by Klaus Neumann and published by Black Inc. Books
- **Mannix**, by Brenda Niall and published by Text Publishing

2016 CHASS Australia Prize for Distinctive Work ~ cash prize of \$3,500 sponsored by Routledge (*alphabetical order*):

- **I Am a Miracle**, Malthouse Theatre
- **Cut the Sky**, Marrugeku Theatre
- **Am I**, Shaun Parker & Company

2016 CHASS Australia Prize for a Future Leader ~ cash prize of \$2,000 sponsored by Future Leaders (*alphabetical order*):

- **Dr Kate Fitz-Gibbon**, Monash University criminologist and senior lecturer
- **Jeffrey Fowler**, Black Swan State Theatre Company
- **Sarah Holland-Batt**, poet and writer

2016 CHASS Australia Prize for a Student ~ \$500 voucher sponsored by Co-Op (*alphabetical order*):

- **Riddhi Blackley**, 'Fighting the Grey: The Gendered Rules of Sex and Consent'
- **Gemma Hamilton**, 'Improving Investigative Interviews with Aboriginal Children'
- **Natalie Lynch**, 'Fleecing the Nation: Prisoners of Culture and Cultures of Resistance'

We congratulate all shortlisted nominees and look forward to seeing them at the Prizes Dinner!

We received over 230 nominations across the four categories in 2016 and would like to thank all nominators and nominees for their support of our annual endeavour to acknowledge and celebrate distinguished achievements in the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HASS) in Australia.

Our sincere thanks also to jury members for their time and devotion to this cause: Associate Professor Peta Ashworth, The University of Queensland; Christie Anthoney, Executive Officer, Festivals Adelaide; Professor Tim Dunne, Executive Dean - Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, The University of Queensland; Ian Howie, Adjunct Professor, School of Global, Urban and Social Studies, RMIT University; Dr Katie Hughes, Associate Director - Learning, Teaching and Innovation, Monash College and President, The Australian Sociological Association; Dr Tom Karmel, Former Managing Director, National Centre for Vocational

Education Research; Tess Knight, General Manager Retail, The Co-op; Chantal Knowles, Head of Cultures and Histories Program, Queensland Museum Network; Associate Professor Jo Lindsay, Monash University; John Oster, Executive Director, Regional Arts Australia; Joshua Pitt, Managing Editor, Taylor and Francis; Bethwyn Serow, Executive Director, Australian Major Performing Arts Group (AMPAG); Professor Joseph Siracusa, School of Global, Urban and Social Studies, RMIT University and President, CHASS; Colin Steele FAHA, Emeritus Fellow, Australian National University; and, Dr Helen Sykes AM, Director, Future Leaders.

[Contact us to book your spot](#)

13th CHASS Annual General Meeting

12pm - 1pm, 20 October, Melbourne

CHASS members are hereby notified that the 13th CHASS Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Thursday, 20 October 2016 from 12pm till 1pm at Meeting Room, Level 5, Building 37, RMIT University, 411 Swanston Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

All members are invited to attend the AGM - Participants are requested to arrive by 12pm to register and the AGM will formally begin at 12.10pm.

The agenda for the meeting includes a report from our President on our activities during financial year 2015-16, and a statement of accounts and auditor's report for 2015-16.

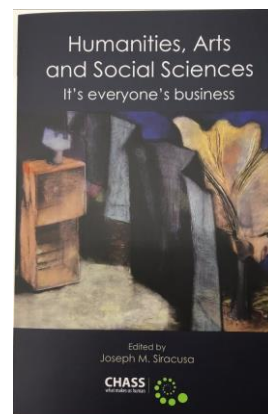
Please let us know of your intention to participate by completing and returning the **Form of appointment of delegate**. Members who are unable to attend but would like to nominate a proxy are requested to complete and return the **Form of appointment of proxy**. These forms are available on our website and will enable your delegate or proxy to vote at the meeting on behalf of your organisation

Please submit the *Form of appointment of delegate* or the *Form of appointment of proxy* no later than **5pm, Monday 3 October 2016** by email to membership@chass.org.au or by regular mail to CHASS, PO Box 12226, Franklin Street Post Shop, A'Beckett Street, Melbourne, VIC 8006.

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CHASS Book - Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences *It's everyone's business*

We are delighted to announce the launch of our new book, published by Routledge, with papers collated and edited by CHASS President Professor Joseph M. Siracusa. In producing this pocket book featuring a range of essays by prominent Australian and international researchers, CHASS's goal is to illustrate the diverse ways in which the humanities, arts and social sciences provide essential services to all citizens in all walks of life.



The book will be officially launched by our distinguished dinner speaker Robyn Archer at the 2016 CHASS Australia Prizes Dinner on October 20 in Melbourne. The annual CHASS Australia Prizes aim to draw international attention to Australia's achievements in the humanities, arts and social sciences. We look forward to seeing you at this event. More information is available [here](#).

ACHRC Humanities in the Regions event 28-29 September 2016, The University of Wollongong

The Australasian Consortium of Humanities Research Centres (ACHRC) *Humanities in the Regions* co-convenors Jane Mummery and Robert Mason would like to invite you to this exciting Network event, co-hosted by the University of Wollongong, and supported by CHASS and the Regional Universities Network (RUN).

This two day event – developed out of discussions over the previous two years at Network and ACHRC meetings – is all about building and strengthening Humanities-oriented research capacity, connectivity and institutional knowledge across non-metropolitan institutions. It combines best-practice presentations and hands-on workshops on practical aspects of working on Humanities-projects and building collaborations and impact from within the regions. The focus is on collaboratively exploring key issues in our research practice, specifically:

- How do researchers in the Humanities build meaningful connections beyond their regional setting?
- How do we build partnerships to demonstrate and accentuate our impact within our regions?
- How do we develop strategies to maximise and communicate the benefits of our unique research environments when applying for grants?

During the two days, participants will interact with representatives from a range of peak body organisations, and learn and share strategies for building strong research connections across universities and cultural institutions at both local and international levels. Participants will hear keynote and panel addresses from leading Australian researchers, Research Centre Directors, and other stakeholders, before engaging in workshops on the same topics with peers. The workshops will give opportunities to discuss ideas with these experts and to reflect on how best practice can be applied at home institutions. The event will stimulate debate on future trajectories for research, build cross-institutional connections and research synergies,

and enable strategies for funding success. For more information, [click here](#).

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2016 ASSA Symposium

Social Sciences: Understanding Policy Impacts

8 November 2016, Old Parliament House, Canberra

The Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia's 2016 Symposium—***Social Sciences: Understanding Policy Impacts***, considers alternative ways of demonstrating the impact of the social sciences for Australia. It does so informed by international comparisons, such as the impact agenda pursued under the UK's Research Excellence Framework which accounts for 20 per cent of that assessment exercise, and similar moves to evaluate impact under discussion in Sweden, Netherlands and elsewhere.

With leading social science researchers, senior government officials and industry experts participating in this symposium, discussions will identify the wide range of contributions and benefits made by the social sciences, and consider how these benefits can best be communicated to various audiences. The one-day symposium will produce a concise document, reflecting on the proceedings and making some recommendations for how we might better assess the impact of social science research on public policy.

The 2016 Cunningham Lecture "Will you still need me? Will you still..." will be delivered by The Hon Dr Kay Patterson AO.

[Register now](#)

It's time to renew your annual CHASS membership

Membership has its advantages!

As a CHASS member, your organisation is part of an essential network for communication and collaboration across the diverse disciplines and institutions operating in this sector. A unified voice for the humanities, arts and social sciences (HASS) sector and revitalised advocacy are of increased significance as we face new challenges and reform processes in the coming period, and we hope to have your continued participation in our work.

CHASS members have access to various services such as the daily media monitoring update, event listings on our website and newsletter, profiling opportunities in our newsletter, and social media support and promotion. This year, members will also be able to take advantage of discounted tickets to attend the 2016 CHASS Australia Prizes Dinner, which will be held in Melbourne on Thursday, 20 October.

Membership renewal letters and invoices would have reached you in July. If your organisation's staff or billing details have changed, please [contact](#) us. Membership subscriptions can be paid via EFT/cheque/credit card (Visa and MasterCard only, merchant fees apply).

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