

# The Project

HISTORY EXTENSION SEMINAR 2021

Presented by Sydney Living Museums and  
the State Library of New South Wales

An online event for students and teachers  
11 November 2021, 9am–2:15pm

**Focusing on The Project, this highly interactive online experience will equip students with the tools, advice and confidence to embark on their major project. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with speakers and panelists through an online Q&A.**

## Program

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9am–9:15am

**Janson Hews**, Head of Production and Experience, Sydney Living Museums

**Welcome**

**Richard Neville**, Mitchell Librarian and Director, Engagement,  
State Library of New South Wales

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9:15am–10am

**Dr Lisa Murray**

**Keynote Speaker**

Dr Lisa Murray is the City Historian, overseeing a diverse program at the City of Sydney Council encompassing community, civic and urban history. With 20 years of experience in the field of public history, Lisa is passionate about making our history accessible to everyone.

Recent publications include the award-winning *Sydney cemeteries: a field guide* (NewSouth Publishing, 2016) and *Our city: 175 years in 175 objects* (City of Sydney, 2017). In 2021 Lisa was awarded the State Library of NSW Hertzberg Fellowship for a project on Tooheys Standard Brewery, manufacturing and pub culture in NSW.

**It's not all beer and skittles: writing a history of Toohey's brewery**

Lisa will share the inspiration for and challenges of her current research project, which examines the influence of the Tooheys brewery on pub culture in NSW, 1880–1980. This research is based on a key set of manuscript records held in the State Library of NSW. She will talk about identifying gaps in historiography, framing the topic, the research and writing processes, and setting achievable goals and outcomes.



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10:10am–11am

## Panel Discussion followed Remembrance Day acknowledgment

### Historians on the writing of history

You've chosen your topic. You've completed your research. Now you just need to turn your ideas and data into a great essay.

Dr Jennifer Lawless will chair a panel discussion driven by questions from the student audience about what it takes to produce an effective piece of writing based on historical research. Practicing historians Dr Lisa Murray, Fiona Radford and Dr Craig Barker have published widely on a variety of topics across many areas of history and will share their insights and recommendations on getting from initial plan to final proofread. Get tips on how to increase your efficiency, reduce your stress and experience the satisfaction of crafting an essay that doesn't just give good history, but is also a good read.



11:15am–12pm

## Keynote Speaker

### Jonathon Dallimore

Teacher, 2016 Premier's History Scholarship winner, and author.

Jonathon is currently working as the Professional Officer for the History Teachers' Association of NSW. He is the author of various HSC History texts including *Russia and the USSR, 1917 – 41* (HTA NSW, 2020), *Conflict in Indochina* (Cengage, 2018) and a contributor to the *History Extension Resource Book 2nd Ed.* (HTA NSW, 2020). Jonathon was a recipient of a NSW Premier's Scholarship (2016) and currently teaches History Methods at the University of New South Wales and the University of Wollongong.

### The History Extension Project: getting the job done

The History Extension Project gives students an opportunity to participate in a conversation about how history is made. It is exciting, creative and challenging all at once. This session aims to give students practical advice about setting up and completing their major works. More specifically, it places the major work in the context of the broader course to help students understand its purpose and outlines a range of strategies for getting the job done.



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12:10pm–1:10pm

## **Workshop**

### **Research skills**

In this Research Session you will be introduced to the skills and understanding you need to successfully undertake your research journey. Learn how to access, manage and use resources from the State Library collection and beyond, including a wide array of digitally available, reliable sources. Know how best to apply what you've learned and share tips with your peers; all to start you on the right path!

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1:30pm – 2:15pm

## **Panel discussion**

### **Former students on the writing of The Project**

This is your chance to ask all your burning questions about the project. Where do I start? How do I find the right topic? How much time do I need to spend on the essay? Where will I find the best resources? The panel will be made up of high-achieving ex-students for whom the experience is very fresh, so ensure you make use of the online Q&A tool to engage with the panellists!

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## Registration

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### Venue

Online via Zoom

### Cost

\$20 per student or teacher

### Make a booking today

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### Bookings

Bookings will open in October 5 and are managed by the State Library of New South Wales, via Eventbrite.

To purchase tickets, click on 'Book Now' and complete the form with all your details. Please ensure that your email address has been entered correctly, as this will be used for all communication regarding the event.

There are limited places available. To avoid disappointment, we recommend that you book early. If you have any inquiries about your booking, please contact Learning Services at the State Library of New South Wales on **(02) 9273 1778** or [learning.library@sl.nsw.gov.au](mailto:learning.library@sl.nsw.gov.au)

You will receive your webinar link a few days prior to the event.

## For more information

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### STATE LIBRARY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

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