Queensland Public Libraries Association



Queensland Public Libraries Association is an independent network that provides advocacy, networking, professional development, and recognition for **Queensland public** libraries.



Advocacy and Networking

- Providing representation, advocacy, and support for members at local, state and national levels
- Advocacy for Members including Indigenous Knowledge Centre's (IKCs)
- Establishment and maintenance of a strong network of 4 geographic regions
- A Board that provides scope and opportunities to library professionals from across the state
- An Executive Officer who is employed to undertake a range of administrative, strategic, and support activities



All Queensland Regional, Rural and Independent Library services and Indigenous Knowledge Centres are invited to join QPLA to be part of the vibrant, supportive and forward-thinking association.

Advocacy and Networking

- Strategic Partnership with SLQ
- Strategic Partnership with LGAQ
- Provides representation on:
 - SLQ Grant Review panels
 - SLQ state-wide programs and visioning activities
 - SLQ Public Library Advisory Group
 - Australian Public Library Alliance (APLA)
 - SLQ Standards and Guidelines Consultative Group
- Distribution of QPLA advocacy material to election candidates
- E Newsletter



Professional Development

- Biennial QPLA Conference
- Biennial LEaD Professional Development
 Intensive
- Professional Development Workshops
- Professional Placement Initiative
- Provision of Zoom licences for professional
 Development and meetings
- Opportunity for members to participate in working groups

The QPLA Board has been working towards creating and sustaining a member benefit program that truly benefits our member Council's and their staff. Creating and facilitating opportunities for public libraries and stakeholders to collaborate, co-operate and share information and ideas through a variety of channels.

Recognition

- QPLA Bursary program
- Local Government Awards Program
- Local Buy Program
- Provision of opportunities to celebrate innovative programs and achievements



National Projects

QPLA financially supports Queensland Public Libraries participation in the following ALIA and APLA initiatives.

- ALIA Children's Laureate
- Australia Reads
- Library and Information Week
- Library Lovers Day
- National Simultaneous Storytime
- Australian Reading Hour
- Australian Digital Health Agency
- UN Sustainable Development Goals



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