

# Arts Funding Success Newsletter

## May - June 2017

### DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY OF TRAINING IN ORAL HISTORY

Alistair Thomson (SoPHIS)

[Department of Premier and Cabinet](#)

Alistair Thomson was approached by the Victoria Department of Premier and Cabinet to run oral history research training for their staff. The training will take place over two days in June, with the first day workshop focusing on oral history project planning and interview skills, and the second day focusing on deepening interview skills, ethics in the research relationship, and interview documentation. In the 10 day gap between the two days each participant will conduct an oral history interview which will serve as a key training resource for the second day workshop. The participants come from different departments within DPC, including Veterans Affairs, the Equality office and the Community Engagement Unit of Aboriginal Victoria.

### SOCIAL COHESION RESEARCH PROGRAM

Andrew Markus (SoPHIS)

[Scanlon Foundation](#)

The Scanlon Foundation has been supporting Andrew's research since 2006 which attests to the high quality of his work in Mapping Australia's Population. The 2017-2018 funding from the Scanlon Foundation will be used to conduct the tenth national survey, for data analysis and the preparation of reports.

This research is a key contribution to an emerging, Faculty-wide Engagement Capability centered on Migration and Social Cohesion.

### MACBETH

Jane Montgomery Griffiths (CTP)

[Melbourne Theatre Company](#)

Director of the Centre for Theatre and Performance, Jane Montgomery Griffiths, has been undertaking a research consultancy with Melbourne Theatre Company during their current highly successful production of 'Macbeth'. MTC has engaged Jane, owing to her extensive theatrical practice and Practice-as-Research portfolio. Jane has been playing First Witch/Nurse, thereby contributing to the production her experience as a multi-award-winning professional actress and her embodied research into depictions of the grotesque in the classical theatrical canon. Her performance is part of her Practice-as-Research portfolio into 'the monstrous female' in drama. The production has played to over 20,000 audience members.

### UNDERSTANDING THE CONTEXT OF RACIAL AND CULTURAL EXCLUSIVISM: A STUDY OF URBAN NEIGHBOURHOODS IN VICTORIA

Rebecca Wickes (SoSS)

[Department of Premier and Cabinet](#)

This study brings together a multi-disciplinary team to examine immigration and its association with socially harmful exclusivist attitudes and actions across 150 Melbourne neighbourhoods.

Drawing on longitudinal survey and administrative data, it will identify the neighbourhood and individual level characteristics that influence socially harmful exclusivism over time. It will also assess the protective role of social cohesion in preventing socially harmful exclusivism across these areas.

### STRENGTHENING CYBER SECURITY CAPACITY AND AWARENESS IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION: AUSTRALIA- MYANMAR COOPERATION

Lennon Chang (SoSS)

[Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade](#)

The project is designed to strengthen Myanmar's cyber security capacity and raise cyber security awareness among government officials, IT practitioners and students at the five leading computer science universities. It will review existing Myanmar laws and regulations relevant to cybersecurity and compare them with the Convention on Cybercrime and international standard/agreement set by regional and international organisations such as APEC and ASEAN. The review results, tailored to the needs of government officials, will include recommendations for new or amended laws and regulations. The project will also provide training for the Myanmar Emergency Response Team (MMCERT) to strengthen their knowledge on methods and policies to encourage incident reporting.

### CRITICAL EVALUATION ON INDONESIA'S PRESIDENTIAL REGULATION 125/2016 ON FOREIGN REFUGEES

Antje Missbach (SoSS)

[Australian National University](#)

Although it has been hosting tens of thousands asylum seekers and refugee over two decades, Indonesia lacks the legal framework for offering effective and durable protection for refugees. This research project aims at examining the extent to which the newly issued Presidential Regulation (Perpres) on foreign refugees (125/2016) changes the treatment of asylum seekers and refugees both on the national and local level.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR INTERPRETERS AND TRANSLATORS

Marc Orlando, Rita Wilson, Jim Hlavac (LLCL)

[Department of Education](#)

The Multicultural Affairs and Social Cohesion division (MASC) of the Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) is contracting Monash Translation and Interpreting Studies to deliver a research-based program of Professional Development short courses for interpreters and translators working in various specialised settings in Victoria. The program will improve and facilitate communication between professionals and non-English speaking clients, and ensure equitable access to services for culturally and linguistically diverse people

The DPC has been supporting LLCL's project since 2012 which attests to the high quality of research and training outputs produced by the team.

### YOUTH LEADERSHIP & PARTNERSHIP WITH YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

Lesley Pruitt (SoSS)

[Plan International Australia](#)

Lesley Pruitt was contracted by Plan International to prepare an annotated bibliography and list of recommendations on youth leadership. Plan International is currently implementing its new Global Strategy, which has 6 key thematic priorities, one of which is 'Girls, Boys, and Youth as Active Drivers of Change.'

Lesley's report with recommendations will be used to support development of a comprehensive theoretical framework around (1) best practice for supporting youth, especially girls, in developing

leadership and practicing it collectively; (2) creating and maintaining constructive partnerships and connections with youth, especially girls and young women, as leaders in both advocacy and programming; and (3) locating knowledge gaps around youth leadership programs and advocacy, again particularly as this relates to young women's and girls' perspectives.

This final objective will also inform Plan's research agenda on their 6 key thematic priorities.