2025 Create NSW Cultural Grants

The Cultural Grants Program is a Create NSW devolved funding program administered by the RAHS on behalf of the NSW Government. Sixteen local and community history projects will receive funding from the 2025 Cultural Grants Program.

Australian Society of World War I Aero Historians Inc: To digitise 41 audio cassettes of WWI airmen interviews from the Australian and British military air services. Awarded: \$3,200.

Delegate Progress Association Inc: To publish a history of families, schools, community organisations and sporting groups within the Delegate and border district of NSW. Awarded: \$4,400.

Sutherland Shire Historical Society: To publish a short history of Woolooware, a Sutherland suburb. It is anticipated that it will be the first in a series on Shire suburb histories. Awarded: \$2,800.

The Girls & Boys Brigade: This project will fund a professional archivist to create a detailed catalogue of archival collections, devise a retention schedule, make preservation recommendations, and digitise worthwhile items. Awarded: \$4,000.

Book Collectors Society of Australia: To digitise *Biblionews and Australian Notes & Queries* from 2004 to 2016, so that those issues become publicly accessible via Trove. Awarded: \$1,000.

Moruya and District Historical Society: To publish a history of Moruya's eastern settlements, which will complete a series on the areas surrounding the township of Moruya. Awarded: \$1,600.

Port Macquarie Historical Society: To publish the history and stories of Port Macquarie's civic, commercial and cultural heart, Clarence Street, from 1821 to the present. Awarded: \$5,000.

Bomaderry Community Inc: To publish a history of Bomaderry – honouring local stories, fostering regional pride, and preserving them for future generations. Awarded: \$1,300.

Cooks River Valley Association: To publish Gumbramorra: A history of water in Marrickville, which examines the entangled relationship between an

ephemeral swamp, climate, developers and newcomers, and answers: why does Marrickville flood? Awarded: \$3,500.

Illawarra Historical Society: This project aims to have a professional conservator assist with the general repair and stabilisation of Ebenezer Hamilton's cashbook. Awarded: \$5,000.

Central Coast Family History Society Inc: To publish Warialda District Births Deaths and Marriages records as a transcribed and indexed book. Awarded: \$2,000.

Singleton Public Library: For a preservation needs assessment to determine planning for future conservation and preservation work for Singleton Library's collection of area maps and plans dating back to the early 1900s. Awarded: \$5,000.

Maitland and Beyond Family History Inc: To publish a collection of stories about some of the 1,200 female convicts who stepped into Maitland. Awarded: \$2,850.

Shoalhaven Libraries: This project preserves and provides access to historical newspapers produced in the Shoalhaven. A multistage project, this third stage extends the availability of two historic titles in Trove's collection. Awarded: \$5,000.

Waverley Library Local History: A targeted oral history project to preserve and share the lived experiences of long-serving members from community groups. Awarded: \$4,500.

Australian Computer Museum: To digitise deteriorating 30–60-year-old 9 track data tapes carrying data related to NSW organisations. Awarded: \$1,850.