



What's on!

Community Meetings

May: Wednesday 13 May 2020 7pm (AEST)

- 1Lib1Ref May launch
- Open discussion

June: Wednesday 10 June 2020 7pm

<https://wikimedia.blindsidenetworks.net>

#1Lib1Ref

Well done to the State Library Queensland team who completed another successful [January 1Lib1Ref](#). The May 2020 #1Lib1Ref campaign kicks off on 15 May and runs to 5 June 2020. [Yarra Plenty Regional Libraries](#) will also make it a focus for staff.

[The Wikipedia Library/1Lib1Ref - Meta](#)

What's not on

Wikimania deferred to 2021

[Wikimania](#), the annual international conference of the Wikimedia movement, is deferred to 2021. Still to be held in Bangkok, Thailand. We will notify members when the scholarship process re-opens.

Past events wrap-up

#Know My Name and Art+Feminism report

Just 18% of biographies on Wikipedia are about women. When it comes to women artists and creators, that number is even lower. In a significant new partnership, Wikimedia Australia collaborated with the National Gallery of Australia, other galleries and libraries around Australia

and Art+Feminism to coordinate a national simultaneous Wikithons on the weekend of International Women's Day in March. Supported by a network of female Wikipedia editors, events were held in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Alice Springs, and Brisbane.

Fortunately held the weekend before in-person event restrictions started in Australia, we co-hosted a [series of edit-a-thons in galleries and libraries around Australia](#) on the weekend of International Women's Day, 7–8 March 2020.

Thanks to amazing pre-planning and coordination by [Caddie Brain and her team in each state](#), the weekend saw 125 (mostly first time editors) create 69 new articles about female creators. Across the 7 edit-a-thons, 757 references were added to Wikipedia, and participants edited 223 articles.

Our partners included:

- [Araluen Arts Centre](#), Alice Springs
- [Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery](#), University of Western Australia
- [National Gallery of Australia](#)
- [National Gallery of Victoria](#)
- [Parlour: Women, architecture and equity](#)
- [Queensland Art Gallery Gallery of Modern Art](#)
- [State Library New South Wales](#)
- [University of Tasmania, School of Creative Arts and Media](#)
- [Women's Art Register](#)

Reports from each Wikithon

Read more about the broader [Know My name initiative here](#).

Images at: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Know_my_name_-_edit_a_thon

VALA Conference 2020

Wikimedia was well represented at the VALA 2020: Libraries, Technology and the Future conference held in Melbourne in February 2020, and well received by participants. Presentations by Wikimedians are available for viewing, and the keynote sessions include video.

- Siobhan Leachman: [Keynote: Collections, catalogues and connections: My engagement escapade](#)
- Adam Moriarty, Auckland Museum: [Keynote: Open as a Rule, Closed by Exception](#)
- Geoff Barker, SLNSW: [Wikipedia and Library Collections](#)
- Nicole Kearney, Biodiversity Heritage Library [The Biodiversity Heritage Library and the evolution of uber-discoverability](#)

WikiCite ANZ 2020

Wikimedia Australia hosted a regional WikiCite workshop, supported by the [WikiCite project](#), on Friday 14 February 2020 in Melbourne. This was a satellite event of the VALA2020 conference, and involved Wikimedians, librarians, researchers and open access advocates who discussed ways to improve the Australian and New Zealand authors, academics and subject areas currently poorly served by Wikidata. [Presentations and the report are available.](#)



Image: https://wikimedia.org.au/wiki/File:WikiCite_ANZ_2020_group.jpg by Alex Lum

Public libraries of Queensland join Wikidata

Wikidata now includes [all public library branches in Queensland](#).

This is one of 30 datasets available from State Library Queensland and it was uploaded by State Library of Queensland's Coordinator of Digital Library Initiatives, Rachel Merrick. Data contributed includes library names, addresses, opening hours, contacts, geographic coordinates, website and online catalogue links.

There are 328 branches across 73 library services in the state of Queensland, including 24 Indigenous Knowledge Centres.

Members news

Membership renewals – coming on 1 May 2020 and due for payment 30 June 2020.

Wiki Science Competition

There were 6 images from Australia submitted to the international judging of the Wiki Science competition. You can see the Australian winners at [this link](#) and the finalists from other countries at [this link](#).



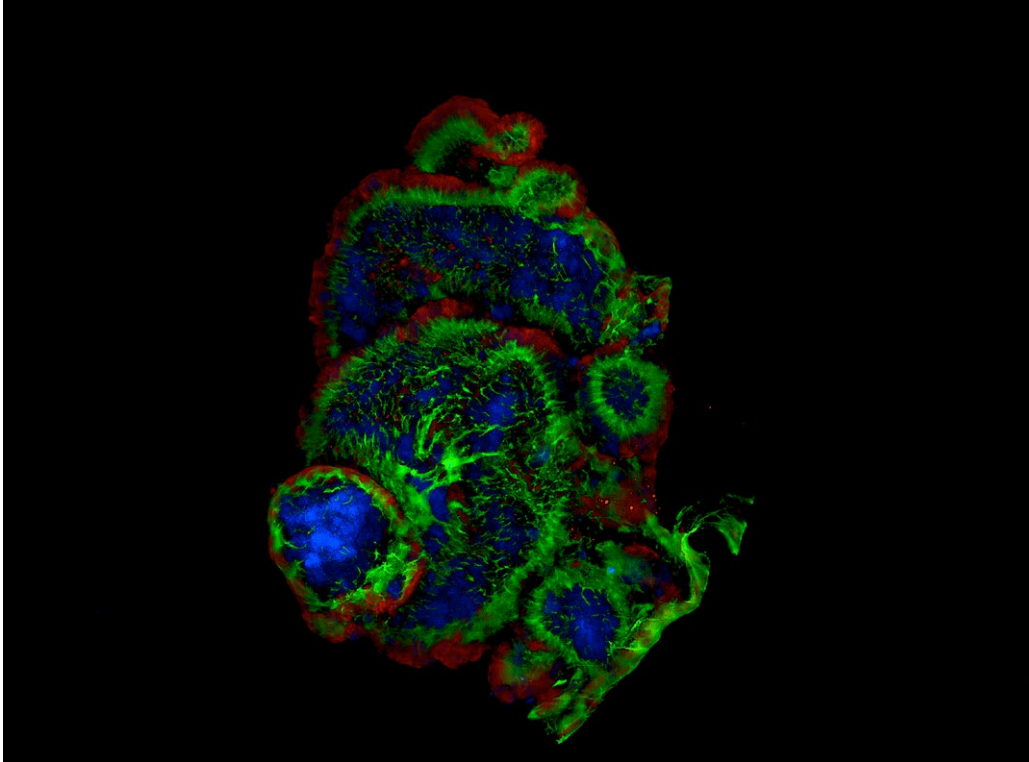
User:Trifical submitted the photo: [Smoky sunset in Western NSW](#) and provided the following information about how they came to take this photo.

I am glad to hear that the photo has resonated with people and would love to share some more details. I've lived in Dubbo for the past year and have been active as a volunteer firefighter so I wanted to take a photo that captured some of the impact of the bushfires. On one smoky afternoon the sun was casting a vivid red shade across the sky, so I drove out looking for an interesting composition until I found this scene. I then waited for the sun to get closer to the horizon. The photo was a multi-shot panorama stitched together and cropped; I later discovered that the optical stabilisation of my lens was malfunctioning and blurring my photos, however the stitched composition was high enough resolution that it came out reasonably well. I can't remember how I found out about Wiki Science, but I am excited to continue contributing to this important cause!

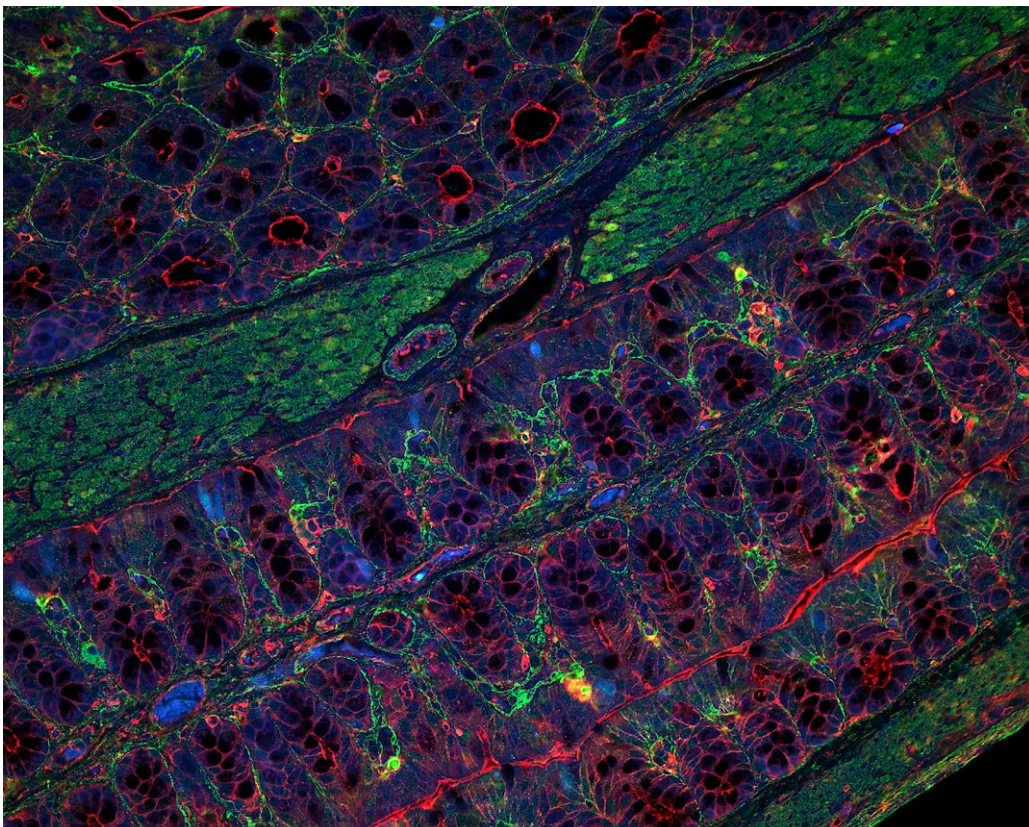
The Australian winner, Abhimanu Pandey provides a brief description of his research.

I am a second-year Ph.D. student at The John Curtin School of Medical Research, The Australian National University, Canberra. I study the role of the innate immune system in the development of chronic diseases such as ulcerative colitis and intestinal cancer. We use intestinal organoids and mouse models to understand the molecular basis by which uncontrolled innate immune response fuels inflammation and cancer.

Both the images I submitted to Wiki Science Competition 2019 are my own work where I used immunofluorescence microscopy to visualize proteins responsible for cell proliferation.



https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Colon_1.tif by Abhimanu Pandey (CC-BY 4.0)



https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:SI_organoid_1.tif by Abhimanu Pandey (CC-BY 4.0)

Role advertisement

Develop materials to support Australian GLAMs engagement with Wikidata

Wikimedia Australia has a long history of working with the GLAM (Galleries, Libraries, Archives, Museums) communities. Primarily these projects have focused on Wikipedia although there have been some examples of Wikidata projects. WMAU wants to build on those existing relationships to drive the uptake of the Wikidata platform.

Discussions with the Wikidata GLAM community and a review of the existing materials indicates that there are significant gaps in the resources to materials needed to facilitate this onboarding. In particular, more work is required to fill out:

- “Pre-upload” stages of GLAM institutional engagement (a value proposition, early stage planning, data identification and prioritisation);
- “Impact” stages (measurement, benefits realisation).
- Examples of existing content and engaged Australian institutions:
- Data and media partnerships workflow
- Integrating your bibliographic data with Wikidata from naught to aught

We would like to commission a content developer to build out the content within the existing framework and with Subject Matter Expert (SME) input from the global Wikidata community.

Simultaneously, we would work with the Australian Wikimedia community to identify suitable institutions to approach and test the materials in an iterative way.

We envisage the following timeline:

- May – agree funding, advertise role, appoint content developer, commence engagement with global Wikidata and Australian Wikimedia communities.
- May – develop content with SME input, commence testing with Australian Wikimedians and their GLAM contacts.
- June – finalise v1.0 of Wikidata GLAM engagement content in multiple formats (Web, PDF, PowerPoint, demos).

Outcomes

- A foundational set of globally reusable deliverables that can be further developed.
- Content for webinars to brief the Wikimedia Australia community presenting to GLAMs about Wikidata
- Improved relationships with Australian GLAM institutions.
- Data from 5 new institutions to be identified as target datasets to be available via Wikidata, and pitch made to these GLAMs
- Project report

Role advertisement

Wikimedia Australia is seeking expressions of interest from content development professionals to fulfil the above brief.

Essential experience

- Content development for generalist audiences in a variety of formats (e.g. web, PDF, PowerPoint) – e.g. instructional design, technical writing, content marketing.
- Subject Matter Expert interviewing – esp. remote and international interviews.
- Ownership of the entire writing, reviewing and publication process.
- Project management of content review and roll-out

Desirable experience

N.B. These are NOT essential and we will consider candidates that do not have any of these criteria.

- GLAM sector
- Open data
- Wikidata platform
- Sales & marketing enablement

Funding

Total fee available for this project (incl. GST) is \$8,000.

Scope is negotiable.

You will need an ABN and you will invoice us and payment will be made before 30 June 2020.

EOI process

By midnight AEST Monday 11 May 2020, please submit via email to the contact below with the subject line “Wikidata GLAM EOI”:

1. A CV (pdf)
2. A sample work product
3. Contact details (email & telephone) for one referee
4. Your ABN details
5. Your daily rate (incl. GST if applicable) We may arrange an interview based on this. By midnight AEST 14 May 2020, we will select a service provider.

Agreement signed and project commences 18 May 2020.

Project to be completed by 30 June 2020.

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