History Grants now open for up to $7,000

The Northern Territory Government is calling on people to come forward to apply for $50,000 in grants to further research into the Northern Territory history, Minister for Arts and Museums Gerry McCarthy announced today.

“We want to hear from people who can offer original research into the Territory’s history,” Minister McCarthy said.

“I encourage historians, artists, students, community organisations and anyone who can contribute original research to the telling of the Territory’s history to apply for a Northern Territory History Grant for up to $7,000 in funding.

“The Northern Territory has a diverse and vibrant culture of which its development can be credited to a rich history much of which is yet to be uncovered.

“As we look to our future and our centenary year, it’s even more important and fitting to take stock and look at our past to see how the Territory has grown.”

The Grants are intended to assist with expenses incurred whilst carrying out research projects, including:

- Travel and accommodation;
- Administrative/technical assistance;
- Stationary and consumables;
- Incidental research fees; and
- Copying charges.

The Northern Territory History Grants were established by the Territory Government to commemorate the attainment of self-government on 1 July 1978.

The Territory Government last year awarded grants including:

- $3400 to Barry Leithhead to research the life and work of Cecil EA Cook M.D; a pioneer in Tropical Medicine and Public Health.
- Christian O’Brien received $2500 to research “Travails in the tropical troposphere: history, weather and climate in Australia’s Top End, 1820 – 1960”.
- Artback NT received $3000 to record oral histories and images for the ‘Click! Project: Pictures of our music, stories in our songs’, Indigenous musicians of the Northern Territory.


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