SUPPORT STATE LIBRARY VICTORIA

State Library Victoria plays a vital role in the Victorian community thanks to its many generous supporters. You can personally support State Library Victoria in a number of ways.

JOIN THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
Our Friends are an important part of the Library community and have been the backbone of the Library’s individual supporter network since 1965.

Friends’ benefits include: access to the members-only lounge, invitations to Friends-only events including talks by Creative Fellows, exhibition curator tours, and collection highlight viewings; Friends eNews; subscription to *The La Trobe Journal*; 10% discount on full-priced books at Readings at the Library; 10% discount on food and beverages at the Moat Bar and Restaurant, and on hot beverages at Mr Tulk cafe; evening, weekend and public holiday discounted parking at QV; and reciprocal rights at the National Library of Australia and other state libraries.

Friends of the Library annual memberships:
- Individual $85 ($165 two years)
- Couple $100 ($190 two years)
- Regional (more than 100km from Melbourne) individual $75, couple $90

To become a Friend, please contact us at friends@slv.vic.gov.au or (03) 8664 7589 or visit slv.secure.force.com/membership

BECOME A DONOR
Every donation assists the Library in delivering much needed services and in helping to preserve Victoria’s heritage for future generations. All donations over $2 are tax-deductible.

Donations to State Library Victoria (ABN 73 190 237 854) can be made:

- **Online:** go to slv.secure.force.com/donation
- **By EFT/bank transfer:** made to ‘Library Board of Victoria’
  BSB 013-160, ACC 46-623-6138
- **By cheque:** made payable to ‘Library Board of Victoria’
MAKE A BEQUEST
One of the most meaningful ways you can ensure that State Library Victoria continues to thrive is to leave a bequest. Those who make a bequest to the Library are invited to join the Redmond Barry Society, which was established to recognise the generosity and support of Library benefactors. Members receive invitations to exhibition openings, collection viewings and exclusive functions throughout the year.
To leave a lasting legacy through a bequest, please contact Nicola Chanen, Director Development, on (03) 8664 7488.

BECOME A CORPORATE MEMBER
Become part of a dynamic corporate membership network and connect with a diverse group of organisations while supporting one of Australia’s most established and prestigious cultural institutions.
Our corporate members enjoy special rates for the Library’s grand event spaces, along with invitations to exclusive events.
To become a Corporate Member please contact Elisabeth Kerdelhué, Partnerships Manager, on (03) 8664 7591 or visit slv.vic.gov.au/get-involved/join-our-corporate-membership-program

UNCOVER A PIECE OF HISTORY
The watercolour painting shown above, View of the north shore, Port Melbourne is a rare and evocative glimpse of maritime life in mid-19th century Melbourne, created by one of the city’s most colourful characters – entrepreneur and artist WFE Liardet. This extraordinary work has been hidden from public view in a private collection for more than 150 years, but we now have the chance to acquire and share this historic treasure.
State Library Victoria needs your help to raise $100,000 to purchase and protect View of the north shore. Your support will ensure this important artwork is held in a public collection and made available for generations to come.
Your donation is vital to conserve this piece of our history. Donate now or find out more at slv.vic.gov.au/appeal
Through the memoirs of four former staff members, this issue brings a behind-the-scenes history of State Library Victoria, covering over two-thirds of the 160-plus years since it first opened its doors in 1856 as the Melbourne Public Library.

The staff represented are Edmund La Touche Armstrong, Chief Librarian from 1896 to 1925, Leigh Scott, who worked at the Public Library of Victoria from 1908 to 1926, Colin McCallum who joined the Library as a junior in 1919 and later became Chief Librarian, retiring in 1960, and Dianne Reilly, whose career at the Library spanned nearly 50 years from her commencement as a junior in 1959 to her retirement as La Trobe Librarian in 2008.