

David Saunders Founders Grant 2010

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The Society of Architectural Historians, Australia & New Zealand calls for applications for the:

DAVID SAUNDERS FOUNDER'S GRANT

Aim

The aim of the David Saunders Founders Grant is to foster new research in architectural history and theory.

Applications can be made to apply for funds to assist in field-work, archival assistance, printing and reproduction costs in preparation for publication. The award cannot be used to fund conference travel or registration. The Grant will total AUD\$2000.

Submission, Criteria and Award Conditions:

1. Project proposals must include an outline of the project, budget and its justification, and proposed outcomes (See Application requirements below).
2. Applicants are required to be financial members of SAHANZ at the time of submission and to maintain their membership during the period of the award.
3. Priority will be given to candidates who intend to publish the results of their research. SAHANZ reserves the right to have first option to publish part or all of the research results in Fabrications.
4. Beginning researchers whether in academia or practice are particularly encouraged to apply.
5. If research is funded, this should be able to be completed in one year from the date of the award announcement. Outcomes from research are expected within two years of the award
6. The criteria for the award of the grant are: demonstrated ability of the applicant, and the likely significance of the research.
7. The awarding of the Grant is decided by the Committee of SAHANZ
8. Grant monies will be made available within two months at the announcement of the Grant.
9. At completion of the research Grantees will be required to report on the acquittal of the Grant against actual expenses.

Submission date: 2nd June.

Email submission, with hardcopy to follow by mail post dated no later than 2nd June.

Announcement of award: At the SAHANZ Annual General Meeting to be held early July at the annual conference of the Society.

Address all submissions to:

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Guidelines for DAVID SAUNDERS FOUNDER'S GRANT Application

Please make your application as a Microsoft Word document attached to an email to the Secretary of SAHANZ.

Make your application under the headings below. Post a hard copy.

APPLICANT'S NAME

APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION (if any, none required)

SAHANZ MEMBERSHIP STATUS

ADDRESS

Ph: Fax: Email:

PROJECT TITLE

PURPOSE AND SIGNIFICANCE

300 words max.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

Including timetable through to outcomes 600 words max

PROPOSED BUDGET

(allowable items are travel, research assistance, fees and charges related to research or publication, sundry maintenance, but not equipment, salary replacement) Show estimated total costs for project and amounts requested from Saunders grant and any other granting agencies to which applications are or will be made for this project.

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION

300 words max. explain and justify the major expenses

PROJECT OUTCOMES

How will the research be communicated to the scholarly community? How will the Grant assist your career development as a researcher in Architectural History?

REFEREES

Give the names and contact details (including email) for two (only) referees who are familiar with your work and this project.

David Saunders

David Saunders was instrumental in forming SAHANZ and as foundation President he registered SAHANZ as an incorporated association in South Australia on 12th of September 1985. David Saunders was Professor of Architecture at the University of Adelaide and also President of SAHANZ when died in Adelaide in September 1986.

Educated at Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology and at the University of Melbourne where he also later completed his Masters degree on the architecture of 19th century Melbourne architect Joseph Reed, David Saunders was a Lecturer, then Senior Lecturer at the University of Melbourne where he remained from 1956 to 1968. In that time, he became the first academic in Victoria to specialise in Australian architectural history. Saunders was also editor of the pithy and incisive architecture broadsheet Cross Section, taking over from Robin Boyd as editor in 1955 then passing this task onto Neville Quarry in 1961. David Saunders was also an architect and in 1962 he designed his own house in Parkville after his return from the United Kingdom as part of a Nuffield Fellowship. The exposed materials and strident honesty of this post-war interpretation of the terrace house startled many and paralleled interstate experiments in English New Brutalism.

In 1968 Saunders moved with his family to Sydney where he took up the position of Senior Lecturer at the Power Institute of Fine Arts at the University of Sydney. In 1977 he was then appointed to the Chair of Architecture at the University of Adelaide where took a decisive role in redirecting that school's curriculum. David's contribution to architectural history in Australia was substantial. He was the author of several texts on Australian architecture including the important Historic Buildings of Victoria (1966). He gave substantial service to the National Trust and the South Australian Heritage Committee. He was also the first Australian President of ICOMOS, the international professional conservation organisation.

As Judith Brine observed of David Saunders in his obituary in 1986: "His career was one of dedicated service to the conviction that Australian art and architectural history was of great importance and interest. He not only demonstrated its academic potential in his own

work but... provided the tools for others to work in the same field. His contribution as a teacher in training others, several of whom in their turn are now also eminent architectural historians, cannot be overestimated".

Further information about SAHANZ membership, the grant, conferences and publications can be found at: <http://www.sahanz.net/>

Reference:

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