Inaugural New Zealand Excellence Awards 2019

These awards acknowledge the outstanding initiatives and achievements of New Zealand records and information management professionals.

The award names honour inspirational leaders who have made significant contributions to the advancement of the information and records management profession.

Entry Guidelines and Entry Form - Entries Close 14 June 2019

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<td>1. All New Zealand records and information management practitioners; or, 2. All students / new graduates who have completed a RIMPA accredited NZ qualification in the last year.</td>
<td>Just complete the entry form and email it to <a href="mailto:nz.branch@rimpa.com.au">nz.branch@rimpa.com.au</a> by 5pm 14 June 2019.</td>
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Timeline
- Entries Open 12 May 2019 and Close 14 June.
- 27 June Lunchtime Inaugural Awards presentation, Wellington

Prizes
- Trophy with presentation at the inaugural lunchtime event on 27 June 2019.
- 12 months RIMPA membership (individual, professional status, or new graduate)
- Nomination to RIMPA National & NZ awards

Dianne Macaskill Award – Outstanding Individual

*Sponsored by the Open Polytechnic of New Zealand*

The Outstanding Individual recognises an individual who has made a significant contribution to records and information management in New Zealand.

The award honours the former Chief Archivist of New Zealand, Dianne Macaskill, whose leadership role in the passing of the Public Records Act 2005 into law gave an unprecedented lift to the authority of Archives New Zealand. Across the first decade of the 21st Century, she raised the profile of information management in Government agencies, embedded the importance of creating and maintaining records and their lawful disposal, moving Archives NZ from a custodian of physical documents to a place of influence and mana.

Dr Gillian Oliver Award - Outstanding Student

*Sponsored by Victoria University of Wellington*

The Outstanding Student award recognizes students who have achieved excellence in educational studies in records and information management.

The award honours the outstanding educator and innovative-thought leader, Dr Gillian Oliver, PhD., whose depth of records and information management knowledge is world-renowned. She has held positions of academic authority in many parts of the western world guiding generations of records and knowledge managers, librarians, archivists, genealogists and historians in the fundamentals and fine points of handling information, its ethics and its crafts. Her curriculum vitae is filled with the terminology of records, libraries, informatics, science, management, risk, culture, archives, technology, scholarship, humanities and editorial authority.
Nomination Form

Category for Nomination

☐ 1. Dianne Macaskill Award - Outstanding Individual

Criteria: A records and information management practitioner who has made a significant contribution to records and information management in the previous 5 years. The outstanding or significant contribution should demonstrate one or more of the following:

1. Evidence of a commitment to records and information management issues.
2. A significant initiative, innovation or development that increases the awareness of the profession.
3. Displayed an outstanding degree of dedication and commitment to the profession.
4. Displayed exemplary mentoring skills which has contributed to the personal and professional development of others in the preceding 3 years.

☐ 2. Dr Gillian Oliver Award - Outstanding Student

Criteria: A student who has achieved excellence in educational studies.

1. Completion of a RIMPA accredited qualification in the previous year, i.e. a certificate, diploma, undergraduate or master’s degree.
2. A student who has achieved excellence in educational studies in records and information management.

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Attachments - Evidence – photos, screenshots, models, documents, etc.

1. Dianne Macaskill Award - Outstanding Individual

☐ An essay, report, or article of 500-1,000 words describing how the candidate meets the criteria.

☐ A copy of the academic record showing achievement of a RIMPA accredited course

2. Dr Gillian Oliver Award - Outstanding Student

☐ A copy of the academic record showing achievement of a RIMPA accredited course AND

☐ A personal statement of what the learning opportunities and outcomes have meant, and how the student will apply them (up to one page) (self-nominating) OR

☐ A letter of recommendation from the education provider of a RIMPA accredited course indicating why the student is considered outstanding (nominated).

Email nomination to nz.branch@rimpa.com.au by 14 June 2019
Dianne Macaskill Award - Outstanding Individual

Award sponsored by the Open Polytechnic of New Zealand

In eight years, Dianne Macaskill hauled Archives New Zealand into the public records 21st Century. Her role in the passing of the Public Records Act of 2005 into law resulted in the raising of the authority of Archives NZ. She elevated the profile of recordkeeping amongst Government organisations creating mandatory standards and enhanced the professional training of records practitioners. A strong upholder of Treaty principles, Dianne took Archives NZ from a custodian of physical documents to a place of influence and mana. Dianne oversaw several major projects, including the roll out of the new online finding aid Archway, the initiation of digitisation and the opening of the purpose-built Auckland Regional Office. Dianne also initiated formal links between Archives New Zealand and CAARA (Council of Australasian Archives and Records Authorities) and strengthened links with PARBICA (Pacific Regional Branch of the International Council on Archives).

Dianne worked with Pacific colleagues to develop the productive relationships essential for a geographically dispersed organisation. She also coordinated the development of PARBICA’s strategic plans. After leaving Archives New Zealand she became involved in the UNESCO Memory of the World Programme including the Memory of the World Committee for Asia and the Pacific. In this role she has been able to establish training collaborations between the UNESCO Memory of the World programme and PARBICA. Dianne sees the links, points of connection, and common goals between people and groups. In her role with PARBICA she has worked to build partnerships pooling resources and focusing on common goals resulting in outcomes exceeding those that could be achieved individually.

Her quiet but determined leadership style has been at the fore in her engagement as inaugural chair of UNESCO New Zealand and Bureau member of MOWCAP (Memory of the World Committee for Asia and the Pacific). Dianne continued her advocacy of the value of records and archives as Vice –President of PARBICA, and member of the ICA (International Council of Archives) Audit Commission.

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Gillian has been involved in the development and support of academic and research programmes relating to archives and records management, information culture and social informatics in New Zealand and Australia, as well as in Europe, the Pacific Island region, China and Africa. She has, and continues to, mentor academics in a variety of contexts in these regions. She is the author of several books including Records Management and Information Culture: Tackling the People Problem which she co-authored with Fiorella Foscarini. As a result ICA (International Council on Archives) supported the development of an Information Culture Toolkit which has provided the basis for training seminars for professionals in archival institutions in many countries including Brazil, Australia, South Korea, Mexico, Fiji, and Cameroon.

Gillian has a Master of Information and Library Sciences from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth and a Doctorate of Philosophy from Monash. She was a Senior Lecturer at the Open Polytechnic for seven years. Dr Oliver was Associate Professor, Archives and Records Management at the School of Information Management, Victoria University of Wellington and was Director of the Information Studies Programme. She is Associate Professor and Director of the Centre for Organisational and Social Informatics at the Faculty of Information Technology of Monash University in Melbourne, Australia.