

Research Assistant Position (Casual) – Creating an Online Exhibition for an ARC Discovery Project

We are seeking a Research Assistant to work with a leading team of international researchers to create an online exhibition. The position is associated with the Australian Research Council Discovery Project DP200100375 'Ayahs and Amahs: Transcolonial Servants in Australia and Britain 1780-1945' and is funded by the University of Newcastle, Australia.

'Ayahs and Amahs' explores the stories of female domestic care workers from India and China who travelled to Australia and elsewhere during the period of British colonialism. You can find out more about the project [here](#). One aim of our research is to create a digital exhibition that brings together images, material culture and textual sources related to the travelling ayahs and amahs and their employer families.

The primary responsibility of the Research Assistant will be to curate digital artefacts for an online exhibition using an online platform such as Omeka or WordPress. The researcher will also work with us to locate digital artefacts for the exhibition. They will develop stakeholder relationships with cultural institutions in Australia and overseas, negotiating permission to display material from their collections as required. They will be supported to develop and lead one journal article related to the exhibition.

Responsibilities:

- Building and curating an online exhibition using platforms such as WordPress, Omeka, Squarespace, Wix or similar;
- Collecting and organising digital artefacts;
- Consulting with museums, libraries and archives in Australia and overseas;
- Publishing a journal article.

Required:

- A PhD in History, Digital Humanities, Museum Studies or related fields.
- Experience in using digital platforms such as Omeka and WordPress to create online content.
- A publication track record, relative to opportunity.
- Excellent communication skills.
- High degree of organisational abilities.

Desirable:

- Experience in the GLAM sector, public history initiatives or community outreach.

Appointment details:

A casual contract appointment for 132 hours until 30 November 2021, at HEW6.01 (\$54.41 ph). There is potential for a new contract for 2022.

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