

# **Oral History Australia**

## Hazel de Berg Award for Excellence in Oral History

### **GUIDELINES FOR REFEREES**

### **Background**

Oral History Australia has established the *Hazel de Berg Award for Excellence in Oral History* to recognise those who have made an outstanding contribution to the cause of oral history in Australia over a considerable period of time. The Award commemorates Hazel de Berg's pioneering work in oral history. It is made biennially and is not restricted to members of state oral history associations.

The Hazel de Berg Award is described in further detail at: <a href="http://www.oralhistorynsw.org.au/hazel-de-berg-award-for-oral-history-excellence.html">http://www.oralhistorynsw.org.au/hazel-de-berg-award-for-oral-history-excellence.html</a>

While persons may nominate themselves, such nominations are required to include the names and addresses of two referees who know the nominee's work and to whom the judging panel could refer.

#### **Referees Reports**

The Hazel de Berg Award judging panel is seeking a frank and confidential assessment of the nominee who has provided your name as a referee; would you please address each of the following points in your reference:

- 1. Name of the applicant.
- 2. Your background in oral history and your knowledge of the discipline.
- 3. The context in which you have known the nominee and their oral history work.
- 4. A description of the nominee's work of which you have knowledge, and its duration.
- 5. Your opinion of the significance of the nominee's contribution to the cause of oral history in Australia.
- 6. Any other comments.

The reference should be signed above your printed name, and dated.

To enable judging to be completed by the required time, it would be appreciated if you would submit your report by the cloing date for nominations, ie June 30. This can be emailed to hazeldebergaward@oralhistorynsw.org.au

#### **Information and Privacy**

The information requested is for use by the Hazel de Berg Award judging panel to assist in evaluating nominations. Nominations and your reference are confidential; copies will only be available to members of the Panel and to the President of Oral History Australia. The Panel's report to the President will evaluate the nominations and provide a recommendation.