

## **Senior Digital Archivist**

# Alexander Turnbull Library, National Library, Information and Knowledge Services

The Senior Digital Archivist leads activities and further advances the Alexander Turnbull Library's (ATL) capacity and capability to acquire and manage born digital archival collections, which are preserved in the National Digital Heritage Archive (NDHA). As part of the Digital Collections Services team, this is a significant role that supports and improves the Library's capacity and capability to collect and manage the born digital documentary heritage and tāonga that is important to research in New Zealand.

Reporting to: Digital Collections Services Leader

• Location: Wellington

Salary range: Information Management H

### What we do matters – our purpose

Our purpose is to serve and connect people, communities and government to build a safe, prosperous and respected nation.

In other words, it's all about helping to make New Zealand better for New Zealanders.

## How we do things around here – our principles



#### We make it easy, we make it work

- Customer centred
- Make things even better

#### We're stronger together

- Work as a team
- · Value each other

#### We take pride in what we do

- Make a positive difference
- Strive for excellence

## Working effectively with Māori

Te Aka Taiwhenua – our Māori Strategic Framework – enables us to work effectively with Māori. We accept our privileged role and responsibility of holding and protecting the Treaty of Waitangi / Te Tiriti o Waitangi.



#### What you will do to contribute As a result we will see Protecting authenticity and integrity of ATL digital collections ATL requirements for born digital, Act as ATL business owner or subject matter expert unpublished collections are of the relevant systems and processes used to identified and articulated acquire, protect and ingest born digital archival Relevant ATL systems are tested collections. and fit for purpose. Provide advice to Digital Preservation and Research National Library policy framework Consultancy (DPRC) and Technology Systems and is relevant for ATL born digital Solutions (TSS) teams to ensure the policy framework unpublished collections. and technology environment is fit for purpose for ATL digital collections. Lead and coordinate the testing of upgrades to key digital collection and archiving systems. **Business Improvement** Identify and implement, where possible, **Business** improvement improvements to tools, workflows and processes opportunities are identified, involved in acquiring and ingesting born digital explored and implemented where archival collections across the Library. possible. Coordinate and provide oversight to all ATL ingests of Good oversight of ingests unpublished collections. Provide advice and training for other teams in ATL on Capability for collecting and procedures for the acquisition, preservation and processing born digital collections management of digital materials, particularly, improves across the Library Curatorial Services and Arrangement and Description. Acquire, ingest, analyse & manage digital collections Advise on and support the acquisition of born digital Born digital collections are collections for ATL acquired Perform ingest and technical appraisal of Born digital collections are unpublished born digital collections being acquired technically appraised in a timely manner Lead and coordinate activities to investigate and Challenging ingests are identified, resolve complex born digital ingests. investigated, and resolved. **Relationship Management** ATL management are aware of key problem areas, including Provide advice to the Digital Collection Strategy limitations in capacity and Leader, other leaders in the Library, and DPRC on capability, for born digital matters relating to digital collecting and digital collecting. preservation. The documentary heritage sector Be a leader in born digital collecting in the New benefits from the digital collecting Zealand documentary heritage sector through knowledge of ATL. delivering workshops and presentations. ATL benefits from being an active Keep up to date with international developments and member of the International engage with colleagues and peer institutions in digital collecting, & digital digital archiving and digital preservation matters.

preservation communities.

#### **Staff Supervision and development**

- Train and supervise the Digital Archivist and assign priorities and responsibilities as appropriate.
- Supervise staff including carrying out performance reviews, signing timesheets, approving leave, etc.
- Digital Archivist is well trained and works with clear objectives.
- Staff management activities are carried out in a timely manner.
- Digital Archivist has clear development plan and training opportunities are identified and implemented, where appropriate.

#### Health and safety (for self)

- Take responsibility for keeping self free from harm
- Follow safe working procedures
- Report incidents and hazards promptly and suggest remedies where appropriate
- Know what to do in the event of an emergency
- Co-operate in implementing rehabilitation plan

 Health and safety guidelines are followed

Your del	egations as a manager							
Human Resources and financial delegations F								
Direct reports								
Who you	ı will work with to get the job done		Advise	Collaborate with	Influence	Inform	Manage/ lead	Deliver to
Internal	Digital Collections Services Leader		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Curatorial Services		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Research Services		✓	✓		✓		
	Digital Archivist		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Digital Preservation & Research Consultancy		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Technology Services and Systems (TSS)		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
External	Donors and content creators		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	Researchers		✓			✓		✓
	Staff of other archives and libraries			<b>✓</b>		✓		

Your success profile for this role	What you will bring specifically
At DIA, we have a Capability Framework to help	Experience:
guide our people towards the behaviours and	At least 5 years' library and/or archive
skills needed to be successful. The core success	

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profile for this role is <u>Specialist</u> .	experience				
Keys to Success: • Problem solving	Experience working in an IT technical environment is highly desirable    Symposium of with born digital or electronic				
<ul><li> Critical thinking</li><li> Interpersonal savvy</li></ul>	Experience with born digital or electronic records				
Navigating complexity	Knowledge:				
<ul><li>Communicating with influence</li><li>Technical and specialist learning</li></ul>	Knowledge and experience of archival theory and practice				
	Knowledge and experience of on-going developments in digital collecting and digital preservation				
	An awareness/knowledge of library cataloguing or archival description.				
	Demonstrates an understanding of the implication of the Treaty of Waitangi on today's society and a commitment to ensuring that we meet our obligations under the Treaty.				
	Skills:				
	Uses appropriate engagement styles and communication methods to influence others.				
	Self-motivated  Ability to problem solve				
	<ul> <li>Ability to problem solve</li> <li>Able to communicate sometimes complex technical issues and solutions to a range of different stakeholders</li> </ul>				
	Good time management and prioritisation skills				
	Ability to apply new skills and archival theory to practical situations				
	Other requirements:				
	Post graduate qualification in the field of librarianship or archival studies, or demonstrated relevant experience essential				
	<ul> <li>Tertiary qualification, preferably in the humanities or social sciences.</li> </ul>				