The 38th Australian Historical Association (AHA) Conference invites submissions on the theme of **Local Communities, Global Networks**.

- How have the local and the global intersected, inspired and transformed experiences within and from Australia’s history?
- How do the histories of Indigenous, imperial, migrant and the myriad of other communities and networks inform, contest and shape knowledge about Australia today?

Inspired by a photographic fragment of two children displaying their cultural heritage, the conference theme speaks to the centrality of History for engaging with community and family networks. Constructing livelihoods within an empire and a nation that have had a global reach, local communities have responded in diverse ways. The varieties of historical enquiry into this past enrich our understanding of Australian and world history.

**Local Communities, Global Networks** draws together the latest research on the re-shaping of communities and the re-fashioning of imperial relationships and transnational in turn.

We welcome papers from diverse fields of history for presentation at the AHA Conference hosted by the School of Arts and Communication, University of Southern Queensland at historic venues in the Toowoomba CBD in 2019.

International and national keynote addresses and plenary speakers to be advised soon. Website forthcoming.

**CONVENORS**

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**HOW TO GET TO TOOWOOMBA**

— **Flights**

Brisbane West Wellcamp Airport (Toowoomba) provides daily flights from Sydney, Melbourne, Townsville, Cairns and Darwin.

— **By road**

Toowoomba is approximately a 90-minute drive west of Brisbane. Options include:

- Brisbane Airport car rentals
- Con-X-ion transfers
- Greyhound Australia coach services
- Murrays Coaches.

**ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS**

- Athena Motel Apartments
- Burke & Wills Hotel
- Central Plaza Apartment Hotel
- Federal Motel
- Park Motor Inn
- Potters Boutique Hotel
- USQ McGregor College (student-style rooms – 10 minutes drive to the city).

**VENUES**

- Empire Theatres
- Masonic Temple (Darling Downs Lodge)
- Toowoomba City Library (10 minutes walk from main venues)
- Gip’s Restaurant

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