

The French Australian Review

Second Conference of the Institute for the Study of French Australian Relations

"French Contributions to Australian Life"

University of Adelaide Thursday 27 September 2018

Call for Papers

Following a successful first conference in Adelaide in December 2016, the Institute for the Study of French Australian Relations is pleased to announce that its second conference will be held on 27 September 2018, also in Adelaide. It will feature a keynote address by Emeritus Professor Colin Nettelbeck (University of Melbourne), on the topic "France and the French in Australia's growth to nationhood: 1914-1945".

The theme for the conference is to be taken in its broadest sense, encompassing fields such as the cultural, historical, social, economic, educational and political contributions that French people, groups and institutions have made to Australian life. The notion of "contribution" can also be taken in a critical sense, to refer to the part played by a person, group, institution or idea in bringing about an advance or change, in positive terms or not. Possible topics include:

- people
- organisations (eg the French-Australian Chamber of Commerce)
- family history
- literature and the arts
- fashion
- business
- pedagogical ideas and practices

Paper proposals of around 200 words are now invited and should be sent to John West-Sooby (john.westsooby@adelaide.edu.au) by 29 June 2018. Note that, following the conference, presenters will be invited to submit written versions of their papers, in scholarly article form, for publication in ISFAR's journal, *The French Australian Review*, subject to peer review.

There will be no charge for the conference but presenters and others wishing to attend are asked to register for catering purposes by clicking here.

The conference is organised by the Department of French Studies at the University of Adelaide, which is celebrating its centenary in 2018. See here for the full programme of its French Centenary events.

Note: The keynote address, by Emeritus Professor Colin Nettelbeck, will be scheduled for the end of the day, from 6.00 to 7.00 pm, and will double as a public lecture in the French Centenary series. It will be preceded by a cocktail reception aimed at celebrating the French Department's alumni, who will be particularly encouraged to attend, and of whom Colin Nettelbeck is one of our most distinguished.