

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE1154

## Mills, Carol Moya

(1942 - )

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**Nationality** Australian

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**Born** 15 September, 1942, Penshurst New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Academic, Historian, Librarian

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### Summary

Carol Mills was appointed librarian at the newly-formed Canberra College of Advanced Education in 1969. Her publications include a bibliography of Northern Territory literature and numerous articles on early Australian writers, book illustrators and book history. She worked subsequently as librarian of the Charles Sturt University at Wagga, and the University of the South Pacific in Suva, where she published articles on library management and literacy in the South Pacific.

### Details

Born Penshurst, New South Wales on 15 September 1942 to Bob and Jean Mills (Nee Bennett). Moved to Cronulla in 1947 where she attended the local State primary school. Completed her secondary education at Kogarah Girls High and studied for two years at Sydney University.

Worked at the Fisher Library, University of Sydney from 1963-65.

Travelled and worked for three years as a librarian in Europe and England.

Returning to Australia in 1969 she became second librarian appointed to the newly-formed Canberra College of Advanced Education until 1984.

From 1975-83 she completed a four-volume bibliography of literature emanating from the Northern Territory.

Gained a Bachelor of Arts degree at the Australian National University in 1977 and a Masters Degree in Librarianship from the University of London.

Throughout the 1980s she published a series of articles in the *Lu Rees Archives* on early Australian writers and book illustrators.

As Librarian at the William Merrylees Library, Charles Sturt University at Wagga, from 1984-2000 she published a number of articles on Australian book history.

From 1993-95 she was seconded to the library of the University of the South Pacific in Suva, publishing a number of articles on library management and literacy in the South Pacific region. She retired to Canberra in 2000 and deposited her papers in the National Library. She has made provision for a generous bequest to that library on her death.

## Published resources

### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Site Exhibition

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg>

## Archival resources

### National Library of Australia, Oral History and Folklore Collection

[Interview with Carol Mills, retired librarian \[sound recording\] / interviewer, Ann-Mari Jordens](#)

### National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Carol M. Mills, 1951-2013 \[manuscript\]](#)

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