

2020 MARGARET FEILMAN MEDAL

RECOGNISING INDIVIDUALS OR ORGANISATIONS WHO DEMONSTRATE MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT OR SERVICE TO HERITAGE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Karl Clement Haynes

In his 25 years of service with the National Trust, Karl Clement Haynes has made an outstanding contribution not only to the National Trust of Western Australia, but also to the cause of heritage in Western Australia. Karl's contribution has been exceptional, sustained, and comprehensive and of high distinction.

Karl's service has followed an exceptional path of progress, self-development and achievement. He began his career at the National Trust in 1995, as an account's clerk in an organisation with only 6 full time employees.

In the early 2000s Karl worked in modernising our grants management system, and establishing the Trust's first computerised information management system. He was key in promoting community fund raising with heritage appeals, a program which has generated over \$20 million dollars in the last 20 years. Along with this he supported the work of the Trust's technical communities, notably the Classification Standing Committee, Defence Heritage and the Art Deco Committee. During a critical decade of growth and evolution, Karl was at the forefront of awareness of the needs of the National Trust and heritage and the exploitation of emerging technologies to sustain and grow policies, programs and procedures for community advantage.

In the mid-2000s Karl began to play a greater role in our community advocacy program and with the CEO and President led the National Trust campaign to save the internationally significant rock art of the Burrup Peninsula- a campaign which advocated for both National and World heritage listing of the Rock Art. National listing was achieved in 2007, and World Heritage listing is now well underway.

His work with Aboriginal communities saw Karl taking a greater role in promoting Aboriginal cultural heritage in the National Trust. In the last 10 years, under Karl's management, the Trust has helped establish an Aboriginal Ranger program with the Palyku people in the Pilbara, a cultural tourism enterprise with the Yindjibarndi people in Roebourne, and the establishment and operation of an Aboriginal Language centre in the Goldfields working to save endangered Aboriginal Languages.

Karl is a fitting recipient of the Margaret Feilman award not only for his long and important contribution to the National Trust but also because he has played a key role in seeing the Trust acknowledge and embrace Aboriginal Cultural Heritage as a central element of the National Trust's work. His contribution to our community understanding and appreciation of heritage serves as both a milestone and an inspiration.