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## **George Chaloupka Fellowship Applications Now Open**

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is calling for applications for the 2014-2015 George Chaloupka Fellowship, named in honour of renowned rock art historian and MAGNT Curator Emeritus Dr George Chaloupka OAM.

Director of MAGNT, Mr Pierre Arpin is inviting the public to apply for the \$28 000 fellowship aimed at supporting published research and conservation of Aboriginal rock art in western Arnhem Land.

“Dr George Chaloupka, a former Curator Emeritus at the MAGNT and arguably the Territory’s best known rock art historians, documented and recorded more than 3000 rock art sites across the Northern Territory” Mr Arpin said.

As an initiative of the MAGNT Foundation which is funded by Energy Resources of Australia Ltd, the Fellowship is developed to support individuals to undertake research, documentation or interpretation of rock art in Arnhem Land.

“The 2013 Fellowship was awarded to Ms Tristen Jones of the Australian National University (ANU), to support her rock art research project in the East Alligator River precinct in western Arnhem Land.

“Ms Jones, a doctoral candidate within the ANU’s Department of Archaeology and Natural History, used the Fellowship grant to digitise, re-evaluate and grow the MAGNT’s existing George Chaloupka rock art database.

“Anyone pursuing the recording/data collection, interpretation or preservation of rock art sites in the Arnhem Land Plateau region is encouraged to apply for the 2014-2015 fellowship.”

Submissions for the 2014-2015 George Chaloupka Research Fellowship close on 24 October 2014.

For an application package or for further information please contact Mr Pierre Arpin on 8999 8220 or email [pierre.arpin@nt.gov.au](mailto:pierre.arpin@nt.gov.au).

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