

JESSICA ARGALL

Winner Outstanding Conservator student at the University of Melbourne. Jessica consistently achieved high distinctions with H1 results.

Jessica is an active member of the AICCM. She is a member of the AICCM Bulletin Editorial Committee and a member of the Student Conservators at Melbourne (SC@M) regularly reporting for AICCM newsletter. Her publications include:

'Developing methods for conserving queer cultural material', 20th Australian Queer Histories Conference, Victorian Pride Centre, 20–21 September 2024 presented at the Australian queer Histories Conference (<https://queerarchives.org.au/app/uploads/2024/09/Queer-Histories-Digital.pdf>) written in conjunction with Jonathan Kemp.

'Exploring the use and potential of Nanorestore Gels® in the conservation cleaning of plastic objects.' *Scroll* Vol. 2 (Nov) (<https://www.studentconservators.com/scroll>).

Jessica has also provided support for visitors to the Grimwade Centre, including volunteering as the student liaison and support person for Kencho Dekar's 2022 visit, including assisting him with a large grant application for the preservation of traditional Bhutanese dye-making and supporting his visit to other interested parties.

According to her nominator:

Jess has always been willing to take on extra-curricular activities in support of the profession, the Centre, and her fellow students. She is empathetic, committed and has a strong sense of civic responsibility and cohort support. She is well-deserving of this award.