

## **Resume Review Service**

For me, the success of NLS2 was in no small way due to the way in which the organisers had concocted a programme that ranged from the inspirational to the downright practical. The Resume Review Service fell into the “practical”, category, and it offered delegates the chance to have their CV screened by an industry professional, someone from your library sector who really knows how a CV should be tailored for maximum effect.

My Resume Review session was with Helen Walkden from Onkaparinga Libraries, S. A. Helen suggested reorganising my CV so that categories were clearer and easier to identify. She also spoke of the need to enclose a “Key Response to Position Description”, along with a resume and cover letter when applying for a public library position. This highlights the way your qualifications, knowledge and skills directly relate to the position being advertised. This practice is not widespread in New Zealand but I can see that it is an excellent way to secure an interview!

This was a very valuable session: many thanks to Helen and to the organisers of this great service. I know that whatever opportunities may arise, I have a great resume at the ready!

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