

By-law No 2: Fellows

It is resolved by Council on 30 May 2023 that the Society may elect a person as Fellow of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria in accordance with these provisions:

1. All persons elected or appointed as Fellows prior to the date of this By Law continue to be Fellows and to be entitled to the rights and privileges of Fellows.
2. The Secretary shall maintain a Register of Fellows of the RHSV.
3. A Fellow shall be a member of the Society of ten years' standing who has rendered outstanding service to the RHSV and to the Australian history movement with special reference to the history of Victoria, and who is elected to the position by the RHSV at an Annual General Meeting. Fellows should have made a distinguished contribution to the history movement, such as through a body of significant publications and/or curation of exhibitions, and in some way enhanced the standing of the RHSV. Fellows should have some recognisable academic, administrative or leadership skills which have been devoted to the cause of history in Victoria.
4. Any Member shall have the right to nominate a Member of the RHSV or of a Member Society for election as a Fellow. Such nominations must be lodged not less than two months prior to the Annual General Meeting.
5. The Fellowship and Awards Committee shall consist of those Fellows of the RHSV who are members of the Council. The committee should consist of 5 members. If the number of Fellows on Council falls below 5, Council should make up that number by appointments from the RHSV's circle of Fellows.
6. All nominations of Fellows shall be submitted to the Fellowship and Awards Committee which shall consider such nominations and advise the Council of such nominations and its recommendations at a Council Meeting prior to an Annual General Meeting.
7. The Fellowship and Awards Committee shall submit a written citation in support of any nominee recommended for election as a Fellow. Such citations shall be maintained as a record by the Secretary.
8. The Council shall consider such recommendations and shall submit to the next annual general meeting for election the recommended nominees provided that there shall be no more than three nominations submitted in any one year.
9. A Fellow of the RHSV shall be entitled to use the post nominal initials FRHSV

This By-law will take effect from 30 May, 2023 until further notice. Tabled at SGM 27 June 2023.