Mark Scott to deliver Inaugural Brian Johns Lecture

The Centre for Media History at Macquarie University and the Copyright Agency have established a new annual lecture in honour of Brian Johns AO.

CMH Director Professor Bridget Griffen-Foley said the Inaugural Brian Johns Lecture will be delivered by ABC Managing Director Mark Scott on Tuesday 15 September.

As Managing Director of the ABC (1996-2000), CEO of SBS (1987-92), and founding Chair of the Copyright Agency’s Cultural Fund Committee, Mr Johns championed Australian content across multiple platforms.

“Brian Johns has maintained a life-long commitment to the importance of creating Australian content in literature, publishing, the visual arts, television and digital media”, Professor Griffen-Foley said. “The CMH and the Copyright Agency are proud to recognise his achievements in this way.”

Mr Scott’s speech – The Future of the Australian Story – will explore how digital disruption is spreading rapidly from the news business to all facets of broadcasting. While Australians now have access to an overwhelming array of content, a central question is how we ensure local stories continue to be told on our screens.

The 2015 Brian Johns Lecture will be presented at Y3A T1, Macquarie University, at 6.00pm on Tuesday 15 September.

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