



THE NED KELLY AWARDS 2019 LONGLIST ANNOUNCED

Thursday July 25: The Australian Crime Writing Association have announced the longlist for the NED KELLY AWARDS 2019. Now in its 24th year the Awards are Australia's oldest and most prestigious crime writing awards.

Proudly sponsored by [booktopia](#) Named after the most infamous criminal in Australian history, the awards honour the best crime fiction and true crime writing in the country. Past winners have included Jon Cleary, Peter Corris, Adrian McKinty, Jane Harper, Helen Garner, Peter Temple and Michael Robotham. This year has seen the largest number of entries received in the Awards' history.

ACWA's Deputy Chair, Robert Goodman said, *"This year's Long Lists for the Ned Kelly Awards is indicative of the diversity and breadth of the Australian crime-writing scene. In 2019, we've received the largest number of entries ever in the Award's twenty-three year history. We're looking forward to this year's Neds taking place for the first time in Sydney and in conjunction with the BAD Sydney Crime Writers Festival."*

This year for the first time, the awards will be held in Sydney on Friday September 6 as part of the BAD Sydney Crime Writers Festival. The event will be held at the Harold Park Tramsheds and will be MCed by Jane Clifton. Recognised internationally, the 'Neds' hold a unique place in the literary awards calendar.

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Best First Fiction

Kirsten Alexander - Half Moon Lake (PenguinRandomHouse)
Kathleen Burns - Practice Baby (Self Published)
Katherine Kovacic - The Portrait of Molly Dean (Echo)
Dervla McTiernan - The Ruin (Harper Collins)
Emily O'Grady - The Yellow House (Allen & Unwin)
J.P. Pomare - Call Me Evie (Hachette)
Ben Stevenson - Greenlight (PenguinRandomHouse)
Lynne Vincent McCarthy - Lonely Girl (Pan Macmillan)
Christian White - The Nowhere Child (Affirm Press)

Best Crime

Mark Brandi - The Rip (Hachette)
Garry Disher - Killshot (Text)
Candice Fox - Gone By Midnight (PenguinRandomHouse)
Kerry Greenwood - The Spotted Dog (Allen & Unwin)
Chris Hammer – Scrublands (Allen & Unwin)
Jane Harper - The Lost Man (Pan Macmillan)
Michael Robotham - The Other Wife (Hachette)
Jock Serong – Preservation (Text)
Tiffany Tsao - Under Your Wings (PenguinRandomHouse)
Sue Williams - Live and Let Fry (Text)

Best True Crime

Rachel Brown – Trace: who Killed Maria James? (Scribe)
Chloe Hooper - The Arsonist (PenguinRandomHouse)
Bri Lee - Eggshell Skull (Allen & Unwin)
Colin McLaren - Southern Justice (Hachette)
Deborah Snow – Siege (Allen & Unwin)
Kerry Tucker with Craig Henderson - The Prisoner: How One Woman's Jail Term was the Making of Her (PenguinRandomHouse)
Jamelle Wells - The Court Reporter (Harper Collins)
Kate Wild - Waiting for Elijah (Scribe)

