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*a national literary award
recognising excellence in research*

An Opportunity to Participate in and Support the Literary Arts

What is 'The Nib'?

'The Nib' is a unique national literary award which has existed for 9 years, recognising excellence in the quality of literary research undertaken in the creation of non fiction and fiction writing.

Offering a \$20,000 prize, previous winners include some of our best known and most deserving authors - Tim Low, Barry Hill, Geoffrey Blainey, Gideon Haigh, Helen Garner, John Bailey, Christopher Koch, Robert Gray and Andrew Tink.

Currently known as 'The Nib': CAL Waverley Library Award for Literature, the award is organised by Waverley Library, Sydney, with Copyright Agency Limited (CAL) as the major community partner. The Award is further supported by the community via the Friends of Waverley Library (FOWL).

With the expiry of CAL's four year arrangement in 2011, one or more community partners are now sought to ensure the continuation of the award which is highly regarded and valued within the publishing and literary industries, and has excellent community involvement and engagement.

The Only One of its Kind

The Award is unique amongst the numerous literary awards open to Australian authors. The Award:-

- recognises excellence in research, readability and value to the community.
- rewards the winner and six shortlisted authors, unlike most other awards which focus on a single writer.
- attracts works from all genres of writing - fiction, non fiction, childrens/young adult, poetry etc - in print or e format.
- all shortlisted authors receive the Alex Buzo Shortlist Prize, named after one of Australia's most distinguished playwrights and authors.
- is launched annually at the prestigious and immensely popular Sydney Writers Festival.
- is a national literary event, now in its 10th year.

Please see over for Opportunities and contact details

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Opportunities

The Award provides an excellent opportunity to link with a highly valued cultural/literary based activity which enhances a partner's commitment to reading, writing, research, literacy and community projects. An ideal project to demonstrate support for the literary arts!

A wide range of direct benefits and opportunities are available.

These include:-

- Naming Rights
- Tax Deductibility
- Various levels of support possible
- National publicity via libraries, galleries, media, trade/professional journals
- Wide state and local publicity via media, bookshops and libraries
- Access to Waverley Library's network of 20,000 readers and other public libraries across NSW
- Acknowledgment as a community partner and extensive use of logo
- Two award functions
- An annual launch and involvement with Sydney Writers Festival
- Comprehensive Award promotion from March to December
- Privileged access to Library and Council functions and opportunity for other negotiated Council benefits
- Extensive local community engagement via reading programs
- Additional acknowledgement as a partner of a local writers' festival, Waverley Words Literary Festival
- Wide and substantial kudos as a supporter of Australian writing and literary research

More Information

Full information about the Award may be found at www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/library/award

Contact

For more information about community partnering or to discuss further, please contact

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'The Nib': supporting Australia's authors, now needs your support



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