

Randolph Stow Young Writers Awards – 1993



History

The fifth annual Randolph Stow Young Writers Awards were presented in ceremony at the Geraldton Public Library on Friday 24th September. A new award for poetry writing was introduced this year, with only a first-place award allocated to each prior category. Commendations were also awarded. St Patrick's College and John Willcock Senior High School largely dominated the Upper and Lower Secondary awards, whilst Allendale and Mount Tarcoola primary schools took out most of the awards in the Lower and Upper Primary categories. Stella Maris College students received both first-place positions and all but one of the commendations in the new poetry awards for the Lower and Upper Secondary categories.

Categories & Entries

360 entries were received from 20 schools in the region.

Entries were organised into four prose categories and four poetry categories:

- Lower Primary Years 4 and 5
- Upper Primary Years 6 and 7
- Lower Secondary Years 8, 9 and 10
- Upper Secondary Years 11 and 12

Judges

June Ausburn
Frank Doswell
Jackie Gill
Mary Glass
Elgin von Kehler

Beth Lightall
Robynne Richards
Jill Stewart
Debbie Stone
Dianne Spowart

Sponsors

Altorfer & Stow
Angus & Robertson Bookshop
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City of Geraldton
Dr Barry Dring

Fellowship of Australian Writers (Geraldton Branch)
Geraldton Cultural Trust
Geraldton Public Library
Lions Club of Geraldton
Mrs Mary Stow

Lower Primary Poetry

1st – Michael May – Allendale Primary School – *The Abrolhos Islands*
HC – Natasha Green – Cervantes Primary School – *Horses*
HC – Andrew Delane – St Lawrence's Primary School – *The Ghost*

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Lower Primary Prose

- 1st – Karin Scott – Allendale Primary School – *Dark Secrets*
2nd – Justine McGillivray – Waggrakine Primary School – *One Day of Freedom*
3rd – Matthew Franklyn – St Francis Xavier Primary School – *Matthew the Mad Scientist in Dinoland*
HC – Talitha Fernihough – Homeschool – *Prisoner in the Castle*
HC – Gillian Staton – Mount Tarcoola Primary School – *Barnacle the Whale*
HC – Lisa James – Allendale Primary School – *The Life of a Ruler*
HC – Sarah Iles – Mount Tarcoola Primary School – *It's a Dog's Life*

Upper Primary Poetry

- 1st – Siobhan Panton – Cervantes Primary School – *Stalagmites*
HC – Amanda Cole – Waggrakine Primary School – *The Journey*
HC – Laurel Turbett – Cervantes Primary School – *Cervantes*
HC – Jenny Green – St Francis Xavier Primary School – *A Bush Ballad*

Upper Primary Prose

- 1st – Brian James – Allendale Primary School – *Richard's Revenge*
2nd – Brent Snook – Mount Tarcoola Primary School – *Warp Stalker*
3rd – Ross Mutter – Mount Tarcoola Primary School – *The Island*
HC – James Rudkin – Mount Tarcoola Primary School – *Limbo Man*
HC – Kirsten Twining – Waggrakine Primary School – *Ghost Dog*

Lower Secondary Poetry

- 1st – Narelle Curtin – Stella Maris College – *Auntie Mavis*
HC – Andrea Clohessy – Stella Maris College – *For the Sake of a Loaf of Bread ...*
HC – Rebecca-Jo Silcox – Geraldton Senior High School – *The Tiger*

Lower Secondary Prose

- 1st – Marianne Taylor – Stella Maris College – *The Little Fighter*
2nd – Nathan Down – John Willcock Senior High School – *My River*
3rd – Sally Taylor – John Willcock Senior High School – *Realisation*
HC – Darren James – St Patrick's College – *The Secret of the USI*
HC – Nicolas McGay – St Patrick's College – *Conquering the Compost*
HC – Daniel Brown – St Patrick's College – *How I Won the '64 Final*

Upper Secondary Poetry

- 1st – Zoe Hipper – Stella Maris College – *A Whisper, a Rage, a Lover's Kiss*
HC – Tamara Ainsworth – Stella Maris College – *An Ode to an Ugly Bird*
HC – Sonya Sadowski – Stella Maris College – *Two Companion Poems*

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Upper Secondary Prose

- 1st – Thomas Brown – St Patrick’s College – *Gel Gods*
2nd – Hop Nguyen – St Patrick’s College – *What Little We Have*
3rd – Tamara Criddle – John Willcock Senior High School – *Etched in Fear*
HC – Matthew Judkins – St Patrick’s College – *Protecting the Innocent*
HC – Robert Dye – St Patrick’s College – *The Sunken Mystery*
HC – Ben McDonald – St Patrick’s College – *In the Eyes of the Young*