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Award categories

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Ethel Turner Prize for Young People's Literature
Patricia Wrightson Prize for Children's Literature
Nick Enright Prize for Playwriting
Betty Roland Prize for Scriptwriting
Multicultural NSW Award
UTS Glenda Adams Award for New Writing
NSW Premier’s Translation Prize
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People's Choice Award
Special Award

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