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Call for nominations: NSW Premier's Literary Awards 2020

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The State Library of NSW today announced the opening of nominations for the 2020 NSW Premier's Literary Awards.

Over the past 40 years the Awards have recognised hundreds of emerging and established Australian writers.

According to NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian: "The NSW Government is committed to supporting excellence in the arts. These awards are the richest and oldest state-based literary awards in the country and continue to celebrate the outstanding achievements of Australian writers."

The total prize pool of up to \$305,000, including sponsored awards, will be presented to the winners at an awards ceremony at the State Library on 27 April 2020.

The NSW Premier's Literary Awards offers awards in the following categories:

- Christina Stead Prize for Fiction (\$40,000)
- UTS Glenda Adams Award for New Writing (\$5,000)
- Douglas Stewart Prize for Non-Fiction (\$40,000)
- Kenneth Slessor Prize for Poetry (\$30,000)
- Patricia Wrightson Prize for Children's Literature (\$30,000)
- Ethel Turner Prize for Young People's Literature (\$30,000)
- Nick Enright Prize for Playwriting (\$30,000)
- Betty Roland Prize for Scriptwriting (\$30,000)
- Multicultural NSW Award (\$20,000)
- Indigenous Writers' Prize (biennial) (\$30,000)

Submitted works must have been first published, performed, screened or broadcast and made publicly available between 1 October 2018 and 30 September 2019, with the exception of the Indigenous Writers' Prize which is biennial.

Nominations may be made by authors or illustrators or by their authorised representative: agent, publisher, professional theatre company, film distributor, production company or broadcasting company or corporation. Writers and illustrators whose works are nominated must be living Australian citizens or persons holding permanent resident status.

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Nomination forms and guidelines for the awards are available from:
<http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/pla>

Nominations close: 5pm, Monday 14 October 2019.

The NSW Premier's Literary Awards are administered by the State Library of NSW, in association with Create NSW, and with the support of Multicultural NSW and the University of Technology Sydney.

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