





FESTIVAL SESSIONS

Family sessions are FREE but due to COVID-19 restrictions booking is required for the MAIN AUDITORIUM and THE STUDIO. See page 23 for details.

FESTIVAL WORKSHOPS

Our Creative Workshops are ticketed. \$20 per workshop, per participant. See pages 14–15 for details.

> Scribblers Festival acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation, as the traditional owners of this land where our head office is based and the Festival takes place. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



The Scribblers Festival Family Program venues are WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

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Image by Anna Walker, Florette, Penguin Random House Australia, 2017.



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WELCOME

to Scribblers Festival



Welcome to Scribblers 2021...and to the world of the imagination! I'm excited to be sharing this year's program with you, where we will be again catering for lit-hungry young people and the young-at-heart with more writers, illustrators, graphic novelists, singer-songwriters and slam poets than ever before.

And this year Scribblers has a new home to celebrate! Once upon a time our Family Weekend took place in Claremont. This May, we're delighted to be moving our FREE weekend 'bookwormery' to the Subiaco Arts Centre on Hamersley Road, a short walk from Subiaco and Daglish train stations.

Everything that we did before we'll be doing even bigger and better at Subiaco: FREE sessions with our guest authors and illustrators, selfies with roaming performers and unicorns, reading prescriptions from book doctors, live podcasts from the Conversation Caravan, and fun at workshops and our special Mother's Day pop-up events.

However, we're kicking off the festivities this year with *RELICS: Bricks of the New World* at The Goods Shed in Claremont. An immersive exhibition by Jackson Harvey and Alex Towler, the West Australian winners of LEGO Masters Series 2 have combined a selection of found objects and LEGO creations, and will have you looking at the humble LEGO brick in a whole new way.

You don't want to miss this original and engaging creative collaboration. But we need your help! Some of the minifigs have escaped The Goods Shed and were last seen heading to Subiaco, can you find them? See page 22 to lend us a helping hand.

This year, due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, it is necessary to book for FREE sessions in the Main Auditorium and The Studio. Capacity is limited with these venues and we suggest that you book early to ensure you get a ticket. There will be many FREE activities that don't require a booking that you can take part in during the weekend, including lots of ways to spoil mum for our postponed Mother's Day celebration on Sunday 30 May!

There is nothing more powerful than finding your voice; and Scribblers encourages young people to discover their voices in all sorts of ways: poetically, narratively, and visually, out loud and on the page. We hope you'll join us this May.

Katherine Dorrington
Festival Director







The City of Subiaco is delighted to host and support Scribblers Festival – the only event of its kind in Western Australia. Subiaco symbolises a vibrant blend of entertainment, culture, hospitality, retail, education, dining, heritage and beautiful streetscapes for which Scribblers is a perfect fit.

I'm thrilled the Scribblers Festival of literature and arts for young people has chosen Subiaco as the playground for its wonderful program of events. We look forward to celebrating the magic of storytelling with our local and wider community. The festival welcomes writers, illustrators, artists and readers and includes many fun-filled interactive sessions and workshops that align beautifully with our effervescent community.

Scribblers is bringing together some of Australia's finest authors and illustrators to perform to and inspire thousands of young people, and bring more imagination and creativity into our lives. Whatever your age, I hope you find your voice in Subiaco at this wonderful event. Whether you are already familiar with the delights of our leafy village or are visiting for the first time: welcome. Discover, stay and enjoy yourself in Subiaco and with Scribblers.

Penny Taylor.

Penny Taylor Mayor of Subiaco

FESTIVAL **OVERVIEW**

Scribblers is a literature and arts Festival created just for young people with many ways to celebrate the magic of storytelling before, during, and after the Festival itself. Below is your guide to getting the whole family buzzing with creativity from February to May!



RELICS: BRICKS OF THE NEW WORLD

26 FEBRUARY - 30 MAY 2021

FREE. ALL AGES

Don't miss the prologue to our main event! Created by LEGO Masters Series 2 Winners - Jackson Harvey and **Alex Towler**, RELICS: Bricks of the New World showcases a world left behind by humans and reinvented by minifigs. Extend your visit with a special RELICS Workbook filled to the brim with STEAM based activities designed by children's book authors **Cristy Burne** and James Foley. Don't miss your opportunity to immerse yourself in this unique exhibition. Find out more at scribblersfestival.com.au/RELICS.

GOLDEN FEATHER HUNT

18 MARCH - 28 MAY 2021

FREE. ALL AGES

Get ready to take part in a treasure hunt like no other! The Scribblers Festival Golden Feather Hunt returns in March to public libraries across Western Australia. With more than 15,000 feather-shaped bookmarks to discover, there are thousands of reasons to take part in the hunt.

There are feather bookmarks of many colours to be found and the chance to WIN an iPad, book prizes, and more. Learn more at scribblersfestival.com.au.

WHICH **PROGRAM** IS BEST FOR ME?

ARE YOU...

A Scribbler who loves story time? A LEGO fanatic?

An honorary member of the Wundrous Society? An aspiring writer or artist?

A teen reader looking for your next gripping YA read? Ailing for an appointment with a Book Doctor? Looking for a treat to spoil Mum?

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SCHOOLS PROGRAM

24 MAY - 1 JUNE 2021

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY STUDENTS

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE

24 - 28 MAY 2021

THE REGAL THEATRE

31 MAY - 1 JUNE 2021

TICKETED

Teachers, visit scribblersfestival.com.au to book your class!

SCRIBBLERS FESTIVAL FAMILY WEEKEND

29 - 30 MAY 2021

ALL AGES

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE



FREE + TICKETED WORKSHOPS

Bring the whole family for FREE sessions and activities all weekend long. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, booking is required for sessions in the Main Auditorium and The Studio. Our creative workshops are \$20 per workshop.

See pages 14-15 for details.

Plan your visit on pages 23-24

Celebrate Mum Pop-Up! **SWEET TREATS** FOR MUM!

10.00AM UNTIL GONE

THE HERB GARDEN 10 00AM UNTIL GONE

A LITTLE MESSAGE

SUNDAY 30 MAY 2021



BIG LOVE IN

11.00AM - 2.00PM KINDLING CREATIVE

SATURDAY 29 MAY 2021

FREE FAMILY PROGRAM SEE PAGES 8-9

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

THE AMPHITHEATRE

ANNA WALKER

MEET

R.A. SPRATT

11.00AM - 11.30AM

AGE 7+

R.A. SPRATT

REHEARSAL ROOM

FFSTIVAI OPENING 9.45AM ALL AGES

NEVERMOOR!

AGE 8+

A GOLDEN

ANNOUNCEMENT

11.00AM - 11.30AM

ALL AGES

Explore the world of Nevermoor with Jessica Townsend

Note to Self: Book a workshop!

THE ART OF COLLABORATION 10.00AM - 10.30AM 10.00AM - 10.30AM ALL AGES JESSICA TOWNSEND JANE GODWIN

OTHER WORLDS 10.00AM - 10.45AM AGE 12+ AMIE KAUFMAN CALLY BLACK

WILL KOSTAKIS

REBECCA HIGGIE

THE DIFFERENT

ARTS OF

STORYTELLING

11.15AM - 12.00PM

AGE 12+

SUKHJIT KAUR KHALSA

YUOT A. ALAAK

CAMPBELL WHYTE

MAKE YOUR OWN COMIC 9.30AM - 10.30AM THE SCIENCE OF WRITING 9.30AM - 10.30AM AGE 8+ CRISTY BURNE

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DREAMTIME MAKE YOUR OWN **STORIES AND** PICTURE BOOK

DANCE WITH OLMAN WALLEY 11.00AM - 12.00PM AGF 7+ **OLMAN WALLEY**

DISTINCTIVE

VOICES

ΔGF 12+

LITTLELIGHT 11.00AM - 11.30AM ALL AGES KELLY CANBY

THE AMPHITHEATRE

MEET THE

LEGO MASTERS

10.00AM - 10.30AM

ALL AGES

JACKSON HARVEY

ALEX TOWLER

SPOOKY TALES 11.00AM - 11.30AM AGE 7+ KATY JIANG JAMES FOLEY

FREE FAMILY PROGRAM

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THE ART OF

10.00AM - 10.30AM

ALL AGES

JANE GODWIN

ANNA WALKER

COLLABORATION

TAKING FLIGHT 11.00AM - 11.30AM AGE 5+ MEG MCKINLAY

BFF? IS MADDIE

IN THE MIDDLE

10 00AM - 10 30AM

AGE 8+

JULIA LAWRINSON

YOUR WRITING 11.00AM - 12.00PM AGE 10+ T.C. SHELLEY

GET STUCK INTO

PAPER PLAY

9 30AM - 10 30AM

AGE 7+

FIONA BURROWS

SUPERPOWER

R.A. SPRATT 11.00AM - 12.00PM AGF 8 - 10 R.A. SPRATT

9.30AM - 10.30AM

AGE 8+

JAMES FOLEY

THE NITTY

GRITTY OF

STORYTELLING

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL TALES 12.00PM - 12.30PM ALL AGES

GLENN SWIFT

NEVERMOOR! 12 00PM - 12 30PM AGF 8+ JESSICA TOWNSEND

VIOLET'S WONDERFUL WORLD OF **NOTHING** 12.00PM - 12.30PM

WRITING 12.30PM - 1.30PM AGE 8+ JULIA LAWRINSON ALL AGES FIONA BURROWS

LIGHTNING MOOD BOARD

WITH IKEA 12 30PM - 1 30PM ΔGF 10+ IKEA DESIGN TEAM

MAKE A (GREAT)

THE RETURN OF **FRIDAY BARNES** 100PM - 130PM

AGE 8+ R.A. SPRATT

THE HUNT FOR LOST TREASURE 100PM - 130PM AGE 7+

AMIE KAUFMAN

ANIMAL TALES 1.00PM - 1.30PM ALL AGES HELEN MILROY

CREATIVE CHARACTERS 2.00PM - 3.00PM ΔGF 7+ KELLY CANRY

OWN PICTURE BOOK 2.00PM - 3.00PM AGE 7+

MAKE YOUR

GABRIEL EVANS

PENCILS DRAWN! 1.45PM - 2.15PM

ALL AGES FIONA BURROWS KATY JIANG JAMES FOLEY

Check out the special treats for Mum pages 18-19



Images by Fiona Burrows, Violet & Nothing, Fremantle Press, 2017.

Immerse
yourself in Relics:
Bricks of the
New World pages 20-22

Note to self.
Visit the Festival
Bookshop to get my
books signed

MEET THE LEGO MASTERS 12.00PM - 12.30PM ALL AGES

JACKSON HARVEY ALEX TOWLER

WHY DO

DOGS MAKE

GREAT BOOK

CHARACTERS

1.00PM - 1.30PM

GABRIEL EVANS

STORY BATTLE

1.45PM - 2.15PM

R.A. SPRATT

WILL KOSTAKIS

THE HUNT FOR LOST TREASURE 12 00PM - 12 30PM AGF 7+ AMIE KAUFMAN

INTERSECTIONS

BETWEEN

MAGIC AND

SCIENCE

1.00PM - 1.30PM

AGE 8+

CRISTY BURNE

DENIS KNIGHT

DO YOU BELIEVE

IN MONSTERS? 12 30PM - 1 00PM AGF 8+ T.C. SHELLEY

ACROSS THE

RISEN SEA

1.30PM - 2.00PM

AGE 9+

BREN MACDIBBLE

MAKING A AGF 7+ ANNA WALKER

THE WRITE

STUFF

2.00PM - 3.00PM

AGE 10+

JANE GODWIN

11.00AM - 12.00PM

AGE 7+

GARRIEL EVANS

MEMORY KITE 12 30PM - 1 30PM

12.30PM - 1.30PM WILL KOSTAKIS

THE OPENING LINES 2.00PM - 3.00PM AGE 12+ AMIE KAUFMAN

Image by Helen Milroy Backyard Birds, Fremantle Press, 2017.

Hey Teens!

Don't forget our special

Don't forget our special

events just for you. Check

events just for you. Check

out The YA Collective on

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10.00AM - 10.30AM | AGE 8+

Australian author Jessica Townsend

debut novel Nevermoor: The Trials of

and idiosyncratic heroine, is cursed!

Born on an unlucky day, she is blamed

until a mysterious stranger introduces

took the book world by storm with her

Morrigan Crow. Morrigan, her charming

NEVERMOOR!

See page 23 for details.

Hey Teens!
Check out
The YA Collective
sessions.
See page 16 for more
information

9.45AM | ALL AGES

FESTIVAL OPENING

Join us for a welcome to Whadjuk country with Olman Walley and celebrate the opening of the 2021 Scribblers Festival Family Weekend.



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MAIN AUDITORIUM &

THE STUDIO.

THE ART OF COLLABORATION

her blockbuster Nevermoor series.

10.00AM - 10.30AM | ALL AGES

There's a special kind of magic that can From the world's most glamourous happen when you put a writer and an artist together - just ask Jane Godwin and **Anna Walker**. The Melbourne based writer and artist have created eight children's picture books together, her zany ideas come from? And how does telling enchanting and timeless stories she make kids laugh out loud? Don't about what it is to be young. Join Jane and Anna as they share some of the joy of creative collaboration.

OTHER WORLDS

oboundaries.

10.00AM - 10.45AM | AGE 12+

Amie Kaufman introduces worlds that

exist between magic and technology,

Cally Black explores alien societies,

and Will Kostakis and Rebecca Higgie

use the modern world as a portal into

Join these authors as they share how

they transport readers into different

realms and discuss the complexities,

and freedoms that come with pushing

fantasy, history and a little bit of magic.

A GOLDEN ANNOUNCEMENT

11.00AM - 11.30AM | ALL AGES

In the lead up to our 2021 Festival we spread the magic of Scribblers far and wide. We challenged aspiring authors to explore the theme BIG & SMALL; and we led a treasure hunt like no other, hiding 15,000 feathers in library books across the for all the misfortunes of her local town State. Join us as we announce the winners of the 2021 Golden Pen Writing Award and her to the Wundrous Society. Join Jessica present prizes to the five lucky Golden as she discusses the first three books in Feather finders.

MEET R.A. SPRATT

11.00AM - 11.30AM | AGE 7+

flying pig, Nanny Piggins to super sleuth Friday Barnes, R.A. Spratt is an expert at creating quirky and hilarious characters that kids love. So where do miss this opportunity to get inside the mind of one of Australia's funniest writers and hear tantalising tales about some of her most popular characters.

THE DIFFERENT ARTS OF STORYTELLING

11.15AM - 12.00PM | AGE 12+

Sukhjit Kaur Khalsa is a spoken word artist, using words to tackle diversity and visibility; Yuot A. Alaak uses his writing to share his personal experience as a refugee; and Campbell Whyte spent more than a decade using art to craft the world of his graphic novel series Home Time. These storytellers discuss their different narrative approaches, and the personal cost and reward of sharing your story with the world.

MEET THE LEGO MASTERS

12.00PM - 12.30PM | ALL AGES

Best friends Jackson Harvey and Alex they won Nine Network's LEGO Masters Series 2 with their incredible LEGO builds. They join Scribblers Festival to talk about their new exhibition RELICS: Bricks of the New World, and how science, art and friendship have helped them on their creative journey.

WHY DO DOGS MAKE GREAT **BOOK CHARACTERS?**

1.00PM - 1.30PM | ALL AGES

Towler took the TV world by storm when Author and illustrator **Gabriel Evans** has and fast when master scribblers, created many books starring a bounty of different characters, but those that are dogs are among his favourites. So why do dogs make such good characters in books? Join the creator of A Human for Kingsley, Norton and the Bear and Ollie and Augustus as he shares his secrets to illustrating dogs of all shapes and sizes, treating you to some live drawing along the way.

> **INTERSECTIONS BETWEEN** MAGIC AND SCIENCE

1.00PM - 1.30PM | AGE 8+

A reluctant sorcerer's apprentice, Wednesday would rather spend her days studying science than magic. When her grandpa is captured, she must embrace her magical heritage to save him. But where does science fit in a world made of magic? Science communicator Cristy **Burne** and computer programmer **Denis Knight** discuss Wednesday Weeks and the Tower of Shadows.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN **MONSTERS?**

of mystery and adventure.

THE HUNT FOR

LOST TREASURE

12.00PM - 12.30PM | AGE 7+

Imagine a magical world where lost

adventurous twins Jake and Marisol

sneak out to explore a lighthouse,

things - and people - are found! When

they discover an alternate world where

what's lost is found. Introducing best-

selling writer Amie Kaufman, and her

Between Blinks is a charming novel full

new middle grade series, The World

12.30PM - 1.00PM | AGE 8+

When you're half-monster, half fairy the world can be a little confusing. In The Monster Who Wasn't, T.C. Shellev introduced us to the adventures of Sam and his group of grumpy gargoyles. Now the author invites you to join Sam on the next leg of his voyage of discovery - secondary school - in the second instalment of her weird and wonderful monster series. The Werewolves Who Weren't. **ACROSS THE RISEN SEA**

1.30PM - 2.00PM | AGE 9+

Set in a post climate change world, Bren MacDibble's Across the Risen Sea traverses oceans to explore friendship, family and connection to place. The storyteller shares her tale of a close knit community that exists peacefully - until the day a group of strangers arrive. Exploring intersections between natural and manmade realms and the impact humans have on the planet, Across the Risen Sea is vivid and original.

STORY BATTLE

1.45PM - 2.15PM | ALL AGES

The adjectives will be flying thick R.A. Spratt. Will Kostakis and T.C. **Shelley** face off in our inaugural Scribblers Festival Story Battle. They may be handy with a pen, but how will they handle the pressure of a live audience? We need your help judging the winning wordsmith.



Note to self: Visit the Festival Bookshop and get your books signed!

THE YA COLLECTIVE

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Image by Katy Jiang, Little Jiang by Shirley Marr, Fremantle Press, 2020.

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LITTLELIGHT

11.00AM - 11.30AM | ALL AGES

Join author and illustrator Kelly and thought-provoking picture book Littlelight. Learn how she illustrates the inky scenes and characters from this, and her other picture books, using, chance, happy accidents and scribbles - discovering that sometimes the best things come from a little play and a whole lot of fun!

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL TALES

12.00PM - 12.30PM | ALL AGES

Sit down with storyteller Glenn Swift for this all-ages half hour of story power featuring some favourite Aussie animal tales. Discover how Tiddalick drank Australia dry, and how the birds really got their colours. Audience participation is a must, so bring your very best Kookaburra laugh and join the

THE RETURN OF **FRIDAY BARNES**

1.00PM - 1.30PM | AGE 8+

Hold on to your hats because everyone's favourite cardigan wearing super sleuth, Friday Barnes, is back! Friday has her work cut out for her solving new mysteries at home and even a trip to Italy to help protect the Uffizi Gallery from art thieves. Fans have been waiting anxiously for the next instalment in this much loved series by former television writer R.A. Spratt.

PENCILS DRAWN! MAY THE BEST ILLUSTRATOR WIN...

1.45PM - 2.15PM | ALL AGES

Who's quickest on the draw? Back by popular demand our illustrators. Fiona Burrows, Katy Jiang and James Foley have their pencils poised and ready for action. Who will be this year's champion illustrator?



Image by Helen Milroy, Backyard Bugs, Fremantle Press, 2021.

THE ART OF COLLABORATION

10.00AM - 10.30AM | ALL AGES

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SPOOKY TALES

11.00AM - 11.30AM | AGE 7+

Get caught up in a spooky battle with Things will get a little strange as **Katy Jiang** shares the inspiration behind her fanged character from Little Jiana and James Foley explores the weird with his Born on an unlucky day, she is blamed character Lena who seems a little bit different to her classmates. Join these illustrators as they share behind the scenes sketches and tips and tricks to bring the spooky to life.

NEVERMOOR!

12.00PM - 12.30PM | AGE 8+

Australian author Jessica Townsend illustrators Katy Jiang and James Foley. took the book world by storm with her debut novel Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow, Morrigan, her charming and idiosyncratic heroine, is cursed! for all the misfortunes of her local town until a mysterious stranger introduces her to the Wundrous Society. Join Jessica as she discusses the first three books in her blockbuster Nevermoor series.

THE HUNT FOR LOST TREASURE

1.00PM - 1.30PM | AGE 7+

Imagine a magical world where lost things - and people - are found! When adventurous twins Jake and Marisol sneak out to explore a lighthouse, they discover an alternate world where what's lost is found. Introducing bestselling writer Amie Kaufman, and her new middle grade series, The World Between Blinks is a charming novel full of mystery and adventure.

ANIMAL TALES

1.00PM - 1.30PM | ALL AGES

Helen Milroy is Australia's first Indigenous doctor, the 2021 Western Australian of the Year and a descendant of the Palvku people. Crafted in the Australian Aboriginal tradition of teaching stories, her books encompass stars, whales, birds and bugs, but the themes of strength and friendship shine the brightest. Join Helen in celebrating the wonderful characteristics of Australia's native fauna.

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BFF? IS MADDIE IN THE MIDDLE?

10.00AM - 10.30AM | AGE 8+

Friendship, ethics, and growing up: big topics are skilfully handled by awardwinning writer **Julia Lawrinson** in her new coming of age novel. Maddie in the Middle, which asks what would you do to delightful exploration of creativity from until one day she starts thinking about protect a friend?

TAKING FLIGHT

11.00AM - 11.30AM | AGE 5+

The smallest of things can thrive, all we need is a little imagination, patience Have you ever wondered if nothing is and belief - a truth that lies at the heart of **Meg McKinlav**'s beautiful picture book How to Make a Bird. In this a favourite local storyteller, Meg shares nothing. And once she starts, she just her own creative process, following an idea from the very start to the moment it takes form in the world, and encouraging you to do the same.

VIOLET'S WONDERFUL **WORLD OF NOTHING**

12.00PM - 12.30PM | ALL AGES

real? What exactly is nothing? Where does it live? Violet is a little girl who's always thinking about everything. can't stop! Join Violet's creator Fiona Burrows to find out whether Violet finds the answers to satisfy her larger-thanlife curiosity.

FAMILY FUNALL WEEKEND

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE



We're running fun, FREE activities all weekend! Drop into our creative space on the ground floor and get hands-on with activities in the Theatre Gardens.

live podcasting by teens



THE BOOK DOCTOR WILL SEE YOU NOW

Do you have palpitations because you don't know what book to read? Have you finished a great series and are sweating over what to choose next? Don't fear, we can cure your ailment at our walk-in book clinic. Talk to one of our professional Book Doctors, and they will write you a prescription for your next great read.



CONVERSATION CARAVAN

Everyone's favourite Conversation
Caravan is back in 2021. Turning the interview process completely on its head, we've put young people in charge of the microphones and the questions. Come along and meet our podcasters as they interview authors and illustrators across the weekend.



UPCYCLED HAIKU

How do you haiku? Upcycle those syllables now! We're into upcycling in a big way at Scribblers Festival. Dip into our stash of old books and rearrange words and phrases into a brand new haiku poem. Sharpen up your syllable-count and join us for the fun.



COLOUR ME HAPPY

Get your creativity flowing and make your mark on one of our special Scribblers easels dotted around the Festival.





FLAG MAKING

SATURDAY | SUNDAY 11AM - 1PM

Explore the beautiful gardens of Subiaco Arts Centre and join the **Educated By Nature** crew to make your own flag using traditional artistic practices and skills including natural dyeing, stick whittling and sewing.



KINDLING CREATIVE

We're excited to have local playmakers **Kindling Creative** joining the 2021 Scribblers Festival! Look out for their special creative trailer and get busy with a range of hands-on activities over the weekend. Make sure you visit their pop-up play space filled with imaginative fun for the whole family.



LITTLE BAGS FOR BIG IDEAS

SATURDAY 11AM - 2PM

Look out for Kindling Creative's trailer at the Festival and get printing! Create your very own book bag to house your favourite little reading treasures and big story adventures. With designs inspired by Scribblers Festival's Golden Feather Hunt, you can embellish with coloured fabric pens to make your bag uniquely yours.



LITTLE BIG THINGS: A STORYJUNK YARD

SATURDAY | SUNDAY 10AM - 2PM

Small moments and big ideas come together through playing and making. In this 3D pop-up storytelling play space you are the author and player. Armed with boxes, loose parts and your imagination you can create your own characters and adventures. Get building!

out and tell your very own stories, by writing with pictures and drawing with words. THE SCIENCE OF **WRITING** 9.30AM - 10.30AM AGE 8+ Blend science and

technology with creativity and wonder in this interactive workshop with author and science writer Cristy Burne. Together you will plan, plot and create as you explore the basic shape of a story and then write your own science-inspired tale using science news. Make sure you bring your imagination and be prepared for some clever thinking!

SATURDAY 29 MAY

MAKE YOUR

OWN COMIC

AGE 8+

9.30AM - 10.30AM

Join local comics-maker

novel series Home Time,

process of making your

From generating ideas,

this workshop will give

you the knowledge to step

essential skills, as well as

storytelling tips and tricks,

very own comic.

Campbell Whyte, creator of

the award-winning graphic

as he runs you through the

DREAMTIME STORIES AND DANCE WITH **OLMAN WALLEY**

11.00AM - 12.00PM AGE 7+

MAKE YOUR OWN

11.00AM - 12.00PM

PICTURE BOOK

Join author and

illustrator, Gabriel

Evans, for an interactive

illustration session on

the creative process of

making picture books.

This energetic session

will see attendees create

a picture book story and

draw an illustration to

accompany it.

ΔGF 7+

Immerse yourself in Noongar culture with dancer, musician and Join Olman as he shares dreamtime stories through traditional movements and music in this interactive workshop, encouraging vou to move and express vourself through dance.

storyteller Olman Walley.

Hey Teens! Check out these I workshops just for you with stars workshops just for you with stars of the genre Amie Faufman and Will Fostakis

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE

\$20 PER WORKSHOP

THE WRITE STUFF

2.00PM - 3.00PM AGE 10+

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

Join Jane Godwin in this fun and interactive writing workshop, where vou will develop new strategies and approaches to your story writing. Through brainstorming, and a series of quick and engaging writing activities. Jane will explore the writing process with the group - from generating ideas, to planning, drafting, language, character and plot.

THE YA COLLECTIVE

DISTINCTIVE **VOICES AND HOW** TO FIND THEM

12.30PM - 1.30PM **AGE 12+**

MAKING A

ΔGF 7+

MEMORY KITE

12.30PM - 1.30PM

One of our most precious

we carry them with us

wherever we go. In this

much-loved illustrator

Anna Walker will lead

an art activity that will

moment by illustrating

your own cardboard kite

that flutters with paper

streamers!

help you capture a special

hands-on workshop

treasures is our memories,

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THE OPENING LINES

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SUNDAY 30 MAY

GET STUCK INTO PAPER PLAY

9.30AM - 10.30AM AGE 7+

Picture book creator Fiona **Burrows** (Violet & Nothing) knows everything there is to know about creating colourful collages, and will inspire you to create an illustration that's all about you. Glue sticks at the ready!

SUPERPOWER YOUR WRITING

11.00AM - 12.00PM AGE 10+

Imagine a world with superpowers - what would yours be? With the help of **T.C. Shellev** you will identify your special superpower and how it will help your writing.

Note to selfi Check out the Conversation Caravan on the way to workshops

DRAWING DINOSAURS WITH JAMES FOLEY

9.30AM - 10.30AM AGE 8+

Delve into the prehistoric with author and illustrator James Foley as he shares his top tips for drawing dinosaurs. James will, literally, illustrate his own drawing process step-bystep. Rise to the challenge as you follow along. together bringing the world of dinosaurs back to life. Armed with only charcoal and your imagination, anything is possible in this fast-paced workshop!

THE NITTY GRITTY OF STORYTELLING WITH R.A. SPRATT

11.00AM - 12.00PM AGE 8 - 10

This is the literary equivalent of opening up a car bonnet to see how the engine works. R.A. Spratt (author of the Nanny Piggins and Friday Barnes series) helps you take apart a story to explore all its nuts and bolts, and then helps you build vour own!

LIGHTNING WRITING

HOW TO \$20 PER WORKSHOP

SPACE IS LIMITED

12.30PM - 1.30PM AGE 8+

Join author **Iulia Lawrinson** for this fun workshop that will kick-start vour creative brain. At the end of the workshop, you'll finish with a collection of short, sharp pieces you can develop, along with different techniques that will get you going whenever you're stuck for ideas. Bring pens and plenty of paper, and be ready to write!

Get creative and try something new

MAKE A (GREAT) MOOD BOARD WITH IKEA

12.30PM - 1.30PM AGE 10+

Great things begin with a (great) mood board. Encompassing everything from colour palettes to imagery, mood boards can help you visualise your ideas and bring them to life. A fantastic opportunity to learn about mood boards from IKEA's professional interior design team!

CREATIVE **CHARACTERS WITH KELLY CANBY**

Visit scribblersfestival.com.au to book

2.00PM - 3.00PM AGE 7+

All stories start somewhere, so why not with a picture? Delve into the art of creating pictures through a series of happy accidents. scribbles, blobs and chance with Kelly Canby as she shares her top tips for crafting fun, playful characters. Put pen to paper in this hands-on workshop as Kelly arms you with the tools you need to begin your very own story adventure.

MAKE YOUR OWN **PICTURE BOOK**

2.00PM - 3.00PM **AGE 7+**

Join author and illustrator, Gabriel Evans, for an interactive illustration session on the creative process of making picture books. This energetic session will see attendees create a picture book story and draw an illustration to accompany it.



learn writing tips from the experts!

THEYA COLLECTIVE

Calling all teens!

Join The YA Collective as we celebrate storytelling in all its forms. From spoken word, to visual art, memoir and other worlds - don't miss these thought-provoking sessions that will leave you thinking about big ideas and your next great read.

SATURDAY 29 MAY





SESSIONS ARE FREE BUT **BOOKINGS REQUIRED**



CREATIVE WORKSHOPS \$20



OTHER WORLDS

10.00AM - 10.45AM | AGE 12+

Amie Kaufman introduces worlds that exist between magic and technology, Cally Black explores alien societies, and Will Kostakis and Rebecca Higgie use the modern world as a portal into fantasy, history and a little bit of magic. Join these authors as they share how they transport readers into different realms and discuss the complexities, and freedoms that come with pushing boundaries.

DISTINCTIVE VOICES AND HOW TO FIND THEM

12.30PM - 1.30PM | AGE 12+

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THE DIFFERENT ARTS OF STORYTELLING

11.15PM - 12.00PM | AGE 12+

Sukhjit Kaur Khalsa is a spoken word artist, using words to tackle diversity and visibility; Yuot A. Alaak uses his writing to share his personal experience as a refugee; and Campbell Whyte spent more than a decade using art to craft the world of his graphic novel series Home Time. These storytellers discuss their different narrative approaches, and the personal cost and reward of sharing your story with the world.

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CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

Want to hone your writing skills? Make sure you check out the workshops on offer with stars of the genre Amie Kaufman and Will Kostakis.

\$20 PER WORKSHOP

SPACE IS LIMITED Visit scribblersfestival.com.au to book Join the conversation





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AMAZING PRIZES UP FOR GRABS

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PARTICIPATING LIBRARIES ACROSS WA



FREE, ALL AGES

Get ready to take part in a treasure hunt like no other. Back by popular demand, the Scribblers Festival Golden Feather Hunt is once again happening in libraries the length and breadth of Western Australia. From 18 March until 28 May thousands of feathers will be hidden in children's and young adult library books in public libraries across the state, and we need your help to find them.

Up for grabs are thousands of White Feathers ready to be decorated for spot prizes, twenty Silver Feathers and only five Golden Feathers. This year there will also be a brand new Sapphire Feather, hidden in each participating library. So get sleuthing!

Head to our website for a full list of participating libraries and follow @scribblersfest on Facebook and Instagram for feather finds, hints and clues! Make sure you share your feather finds on social media by tagging @scribblersfest and #goldenfeatherhunt.

GOLDEN FEATHER



WIN the Grand Prize of a VIP Festival Pass, an iPad and signed book pack.

Find a Silver Feather and WIN a signed book!

SAPPHIRE **FEATHER**

WIN a mystery prize in each participating library.

WHITE **FEATHER**

We'll be picking spot prize

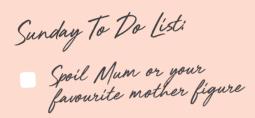
winners for the best decorated White Feathers shared on social media.





FREE, ALL AGES

Our Family Day weekend dates may have changed but that won't stop us from dedicating a day to celebrate all the special Scribblers Festival Mums, Grandmas and Aunties! Join us for a morning dedicated to fun activities you can do together, with treats to share and special keepsakes that will make their day.



- Write a hand lettered card
- Visit the herb garden
- Enjoy storytime together
- Treat Mum, Grandma or Auntie with something sweet
- Visit the Heart Machine together







10AM UNTIL SOLD OUT

Show Mum, Grandma or Auntie just how sweet she is by treating her to one of our artisan baked treats. Be sure to check out our Scribblers bakers' pop-up featuring Mary Street Bakery and Cakes by Sarah for a range of delicacies that they will love!



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THE HERB GARDEN

10AM UNTIL ALL GONE

Don't miss the opportunity to get your very own herb pot. The perfect present for young hands to present to Mum... or Gran or Auntie! Our herb pots are FREE, so be quick as these are sure to

Collect some herbs before they're gone!



BIG LOVE IN A LITTLE MESSAGE

11AM - 2PM

Visit the **Kindling Creative** trailer and try your hand at nature printing. Use a feather guill to dedicate your favourite quote or write a special message, add a flourish of mother nature, and you'll have the perfect card to give your Mum or your favourite mother figure, lovingly hand-printed by you.





The best creative work happens when your body is charged with the right fuel. See how two fruits and five vegetables power Jackson and Alex's Heart Machine when it makes a special appearance at Scribblers Festival. How will you fuel your creativity?

The LEGO Heart Machine, Jackson Harvey & Alex Towler, photograph by Taryn Hays, 2020.







SCRIBBLERS FESTIVAL PRESENTS

« RELICS»

BRICKS OF THE NEW WORLD

A multimedia LEGO exhibition by LEGO Masters Series 2 Winners **Jackson Harvey & Alex Towler**

26 February - 30 May 2021





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BOOKINGS REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

THE YEAR IS 2530...

...and humans have long since abandoned Planet Earth. What remains are a smattering of once coveted earthly possessions – relics of humankind. Among the destruction and decay, hope prevails. For upon closer inspection, it is evident that this is not in fact the wasteland it appears to be, but a wonderland of new civilisations. Exploring timely topics in sustainability, adaptability and diversity, experience the rise of the LEGO minifig that proves size doesn't matter when it comes to tackling big problems.



The RELICS Workbook is full of activities based on the masterpieces that make up RELICS: Bricks of the New World.

Filled with STEAM based creative prompts designed by children's authors Cristy Burne and **James Foley**, the workbook breaks down the art, science and narrative behind the LEGO builds. and challenges you to consider and respond to the larger themes of the exhibition. With QR codes on every page giving you more information and fun facts, the workbook is the perfect way to extend your experience of the exhibition and delve further into the world of RELICS.

- To get your physical copy visit
- The Goods Shed in Claremont and head to
- scribblersfestival.com.au/RELICS

to find out more.



Go behind the scenes with **Iackson** and **Alex** as they share some of the secrets behind their incredible artworks. For example how many pieces of LEGO did it take to build the exhibition? What was the most challenging build? Where do their crazy ideas come from?

Tune into the RELICS Video Series to find out more about the exhibition and some of the key themes explored within the artworks. You'll also find a full virtual tour so you can visit the artworks from home, plus bonus conversations with Cristy Burne and James Foley about STEAM, creativity, problem solving, storytelling and lots more!

Check them out at

scribblersfestival.com.au/RELICS

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SUBIACO STREET RELICS

We need your help! Some of the minifigs have escaped The Goods Shed. They were last spotted pounding the pavement towards Subiaco. Rumour has it they're on the hunt for the creators of their worlds, Jackson Harvey and Alex Towler.

Sign up to become a Scribbler on our website so you can get your SUBIACO STREET RELICS map to continue your LEGO journey at Scribblers Festival.

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24 MAY - 20 JUNE 2021

BOOKING INFORMATION

We're excited to welcome you to Scribblers Festival 2021! We've included some information below to help with your planning for a weekend full of fun.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Scribblers Festival is following COVID-19 stage four restrictions. Due to this our venue capacities are limited and booking is required for some venues. We will keep a close eve on government directives in the lead-up to the Festival so that we have the appropriate measures in place to protect our artists and patrons, working to create a safe and comfortable environment so that you can enjoy all the magic Scribblers Festival has to offer.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BOOK FOR?

All of our events take place at Subiaco Arts Centre.

FREE

BOOKING REQUIRED

Main Auditorium The Studio

NO BOOKING REQUIRED

The Amphitheatre The Gallery Theatre Gardens

PAID

BOOKING REQUIRED

Tickets (\$20 per participant for Creative Workshops)

The Undercroft Rehearsal Room

Note: There is information on each page of the program to remind you which sessions require a booking

HOW DO I BOOK?

Visit scribblersfestival.com.au.

We recommend booking ahead of the event to secure your spot for the sessions you want to see.

BOOKED A TICKET AND CAN'T MAKE IT?

We know that things happen and plans change. If you are unable to attend on the day (even if your ticket is FREE) we ask that you return it so that someone else can take part in the session.

I HAVEN'T BOOKED ANY SESSIONS -**CAN I STILL COME ON THE WEEKEND?**

Yes! There are lots of FREE, fun activities across the weekend for the whole family to enjoy. We will also have a Box Office operating on the Ground Floor of Subiaco Arts Centre so you can check in and see if there are any last minute tickets.

Checklist for a COVID-safe Scribbler

Register your attendance through
the SafeWA app

- Stay home if you are sick
- Maintain physical distancing
- Wash your hands regularly

For more information visit





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PLANNING YOUR VISIT

FURTHER QUESTIONS?

If you have further questions, or want to discuss anything Festival related with us, please contact us via phone on 9385 2200 or email, hello@scribblersfestival.com.au.

We are so excited you will be joining us for the 2021 Scribblers Festival Family Weekend. This page contains all you need to know about visiting the Festival, 29-30 May 2021. We look forward to seeing you there!



FREE EVENTS

Drop-in activities are FREE and located in and around Subiaco Arts Centre. Bookings are not required. Festival sessions are FREE but due to COVID-19 restrictions bookings are required for the Main Auditorium and **The Studio**. Tickets can be booked in advance on our website scribblersfestival.com.au, or on the day at the Box Office. We expect the sessions to be busy, so get in quick! Please arrive to the venue at least 10 mins prior to the session commencement to allow time to scan your ticket and be seated.



PAID EVENTS

Our weekend creative workshops are ticketed and must be booked in advance. Tickets can be reserved via our website scribblersfestival.com.au.



FOOD & DRINK

Visit one of our on site food vendors, or visit Subiaco Arts Centre's resident coffee shop, Hole In The Wall, for a bite to eat or a drink to sip! Come early Sunday morning for our annual Mother's Day pop-up and enjoy a baked treat with Mum or Nan!



BOOKSHOP

Our bookshop partner, Boffins Books will have a pop-up Festival Bookshop open all weekend! Visit the bookshop for a browse, and meet Festival Guests after their sessions for an opportunity to have your book signed.



GETTING THERE

BY TRAIN: We suggest catching the train to Scribblers Festival as we are a short walk from Daglish (8-10 minutes) and Subiaco (10-12 minutes) Stations. Trains run regularly on the Fremantle line. Visit transperth.wa.gov.au for more information.

BY BUS: There are many bus stops around the Subiaco Arts Centre and surrounding streets. Visit transperth.wa.gov.au for more information.

BY CAR: FREE timed street parking is available throughout the streets surrounding Subiaco Arts Centre. Please read parking signs carefully as restrictions may apply.



HEALTH & SAFETY

All current government guidelines will be adhered to for the duration of the Festival event to keep our audiences as safe as possible. We ask that you follow COVID safe practices when attending Scribblers Festival; log in to SafeWA as you enter the Festival site, wash your hands regularly, maintain safe physical distancing and stay home if you are feeling unwell.

Contact tracing is essential to managing a safe space. Please ensure you log in to the SafeWA app or manual contact register when entering the Festival site. Children under the age of 16 aren't required

to log their details on the contact register but must be accompanied by an adult.



EVENT UPDATES

Event information is correct at the time of printing however is subject to change. Check our website for updates closer to the event.



CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult at all Festival events unless otherwise stated. Scribblers Festival maintains a Child Protection Policy but we cannot take responsibility for wandering children. Lost children will be taken to the **Information Point** outside Subiaco Arts Centre. If you have found a lost child, or are missing a child, please notify a staff member as soon as possible.



VOLUNTEER

Scribblers Festival is recruiting volunteers to join our team. We need volunteers like YOU to help run Festival activities across the Festival period, 24 May-1 June 2021. Volunteering at Scribblers Festival is a great opportunity to gain experience on a large scale event, work with a passionate team and give back to the local community.

For more information on volunteering, visit scribblersfestival.com.au or email hello@scribblersfestival.com.au

SUBIACO ARTS CENTRE 180 Hamerslev Rd. Subiaco WA 6008

10-12 MINUTE WALK ALONG ROKEBY ROAD







8-10 MINUTE WALK ALONG HAMERSLEY ROAD



Please log in to SafeWA or a manual register as you enter the Festival Site.



The Scribblers Festival Family Program venues are WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE. A lift is available in Subiaco Arts Centre



FREE street parking is available around Subiaco Arts Centre. Please read signs carefully as restrictions may apply.

This brochure is available in alternative formats upon request.

Subjaco Arts Centre is home to the following venues:















Information Point

Food Stalls

Train Station

Conversation Caravan

Festival Bookshop

Parking



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CREATIVE STARS



We want young people to get creative and fall in love with the magic of storytelling. That's why we are bringing together some of the best authors and artists from across Australia to share their stories and shine a spotlight on the value of creative thinking and learning.



Yuot A. Alaak Australian (WA)

Yuot A. Alaak is a former child refugee from South Sudan and an emerging Western Australian writer. Yuot was part of the globally known 'Lost Boys of Sudan' and his memoir, Father of the Lost Boys, was shortlisted for the 2018 City of Fremantle Hungerford Award and was published in 2020.



Gavin Aung Than AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Gavin Aung Than is a freelance cartoonist. His web comic Zen Pencils has featured in The Washington Post, The Huffington Post, Slate, Buzzfeed, Gawker and Brain Pickings, and was listed on the top 100 websites of 2013 by PC Mag. Super Sidekicks is Gavin's first children's series.



Cristy Burne Australian (WA)

Cristy Burne is an author and science writer. Passionate about learning through doing, she loves inspiring creativity and resilience in her readers. Wednesday Weeks and the Tower of Shadows, Aussie STEM Stars: Fiona Wood and Beneath the Trees are her latest titles.



Fiona Burrows Australian (WA)

Fiona Burrows is an author-illustrator passionate about creativity, imagination, education, and collecting beautiful picture books! When Fiona isn't creating books, she teaches writing, research and communication. Fiona's book, Violet & Nothing, was shortlisted for the 2019 West Australian Premier's Book Awards.



Gregg Dreise AUSTRALIAN (QLD)

Gregg Dreise is a talented storyteller. He uses didgeridoos, guitars and highenergy performances to share culture and wisdom through his educational talks. His latest book *Hello and Welcome* is a companion title to the highly acclaimed *My Culture and Me* and celebrates Australia's Indigenous heritage.



Gabriel Evans AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Gabriel Evans is an international selling children's book author and illustrator. He has worked with some of Australia's most loved publishers including Penguin, Walker Books and Hardie Grant. His books have been translated into three languages.



Iane Godwin Australian (VIC)

Jane Godwin is an Australian children's book publisher and highly acclaimed author of over 20 books for children, across all styles and ages. She often collaborates with children's book illustrator Anna Walker. Don't Forget is her latest title.



Mark Greenwood Australian (WA)

Mark Greenwood is a history hunter! He loves searching for lost explorers and glittery treasures and delving deep into unsolved mysteries. Mark's recent titles include Moonwalkers, The Book of Stone and The History Mystery series. His award-winning books have been published globally.



Jackson Harvey Australian (WA)

Jackson Harvey has over 10 years' experience in visual and mural art, tattooing and LEGO sculpture. From a young age, Jackson has enjoyed world building and storytelling through LEGO. Jackson and collaborator Alex Towler won LEGO Masters Series 2 in 2020.



Rebecca Higgie AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Rebecca Higgie's life and career has been spent in the company of books. She has worked in the State Library of Western Australia and fostered childhood literacy as the Guildford Primary Library Officer. Her novel, The History of Mischief, won the 2019 Fogarty Literary Award for an unpublished manuscript.



Katy Jiang Australian (WA)

Katy Jiang, also known as Hong Jiang (江泓), was born, raised and educated in Shanghai, China. She learned traditional Chinese ink painting, and later studied Western painting. She uses her artistic talent and knowledge to create children's picture books and recently illustrated Little Jiang.



Amie Kaufman Australian (VIC)

Amie Kaufman is an internationally recognised and multi award-winning YA author with work in development for film and TV. Amie lives in Melbourne with her husband, daughter, rescue dog and large personal library. Her latest titles include The World Between Blinks #1 and The Other Side of the Sky.



Sukhjit Kaur Khalsa

Sukhjit Kaur Khalsa is a first generation Australian Sikh spoken word artist, educator, performer and human rights reformer. She is passionate about diversity and the importance of visibility in the performing arts. She is currently developing works for stage and TV.



Denis Knight AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Denis Knight is a computer programmer who grew up geeking out about the works of J.R.R. Tolkien, Terry Pratchett and Douglas Adams. He spends his nights writing science fiction adventure novels. His latest title is Wednesday Weeks and the Tower of Shadows.



Will Kostakis Australian (NSW)

Will Kostakis won the Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of the Year award during high school. Will's first novel was released when he was 19, and his second, The First Third, won the 2014 Gold Inky Award. Rebel Gods is his latest novel.



Julia Lawrinson Australian (WA)

Julia Lawrinson is an award-winning children's and YA writer from Perth with a PhD in writing and a Bachelor of Laws with distinction. Julia has worked across the arts, parliament and health. Her books are about friendship, family and the occasional Jack Russell. Maddie in the Middle is her latest title.



Bren MacDibble/Cally Black

Bren MacDibble grew up in heartland New Zealand and now resides in Kalbarri, WA. Across the Risen Sea is her latest adventure novel for young readers. Bren also wrote the award-winning YA novel In the Dark Spaces under the name Cally Black.



Shirley Marr AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Shirley Marr is a children's and YA fiction writer. While writing a very dry PhD on accounting, Shirley realised she'd rather be writing down her dark, twisted daydreams instead. Accountant by day, 'masked writer' by night, her latest novels are Little Jiang and A Glasshouse of Stars.

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Meg McKinlay AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Meg McKinlay is a children's writer and poet whose work ranges from picture books to young adult fiction. Her work Catch a Falling Star won the WA Premier's Prize for Writing for Children in 2020. How to Make a Bird and Bella and the Voyaging House are her latest titles.



Helen Milroy AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Dr. Helen Milroy is a descendant of the Palyku people of the Pilbara region, WA. She is passionate about children's health and wellbeing. Helen is a UWA professor, a consultant child and adolescent psychiatrist, and Commissioner with the National Mental Health Commission. Her latest book is Backyard Bugs.



T.C. Shelley AUSTRALIAN (WA)

T.C. Shelley has taught English for over 20 years. She began writing novels to entertain her daughter, who wisely suggested that she try to get them published. The first two books in her acclaimed middle-grade fantasy series, The Monster Who Wasn't and The Werewolves Who Weren't, are out now.



R.A. Spratt AUSTRALIAN (NSW)

R.A. Spratt is the author of The Peski Kids, Friday Barnes and The Adventures of Nanny Piggins series. In her previous life she was a television writer. R.A. lives in NSW with her three chickens, two goldfish, a dog, a husband and two daughters.



Alex Towler AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Alex Towler is an environmental engineer by day, and musician and LEGO master builder by night. Working with Jackson Harvey, the LEGO creators took out the winning title of LEGO Masters Series 2 in 2020.



Jessica Townsend AUSTRALIAN (QLD)

Jessica Townsend is a multi awardwinning author who lives on the Sunshine Coast. She has a fascination with public transport, ancient cities, hotels, opera singers, Halloween, secret societies and gigantic cats.



Anna Walker AUSTRALIAN (VIC)

Anna Walker writes and illustrates children's books. Crafted with pencil, ink and collage, Anna's illustrations are inspired by everyday details of life and the amusing antics of her menagerie. Anna's most recent picture books are Tilly and Don't Forget.



Olman Walley AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Olman Walley is a Wilman, Balardong, Binjareb, Wadjuk Nyoongar. He loves to share stories, history, music, dance and knowledge of his culture.



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Campbell Whyte AUSTRALIAN (WA)

Campbell Whyte creates comics and illustrations, mixing traditional media with digital elements. His graphic novel series, Home Time, is a distinctly Australian fantasy series set in Perth that has been met with critical acclaim. Home Time: Beyond the Weaving is available now.

Visit the Festival Bookshop after sessions to meet your favourite authors and get your books signed!



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