

Literacy Festival

Friday 1st November 2019

Hosted by Ford St Publishing

What is a Literacy Festival?





A literacy festival is a day to celebrate all things Literacy related

We will be welcoming 10 different authors and illustrators



We will also be hosting an official book launch



You will attend lectures and workshops with our guests



You will be able to meet with our guests, ask questions and collect autographs



You will be able to look at our guests book (plus others) and purchase them on the day

WHEN?

What a way to end the week!

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What now?

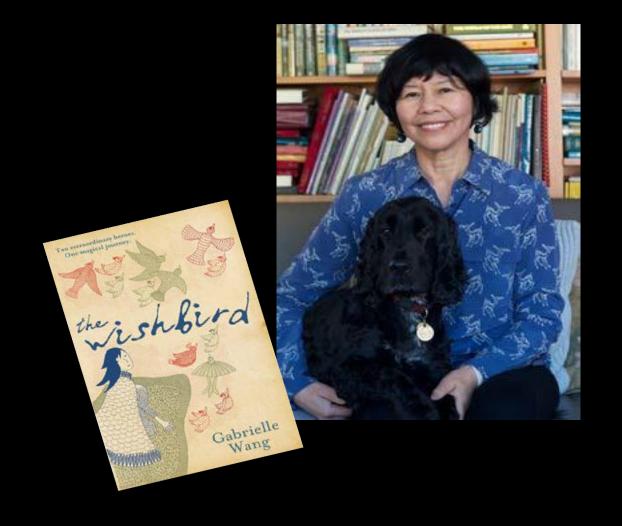
- Read about all of our guests and decide who you would like to see
- You will be sent a link to book your place in the workshops

 this will open Monday 21st
 October
- Book in ASAP there are limited spaces in some of the workshops



Gabrielle Wang

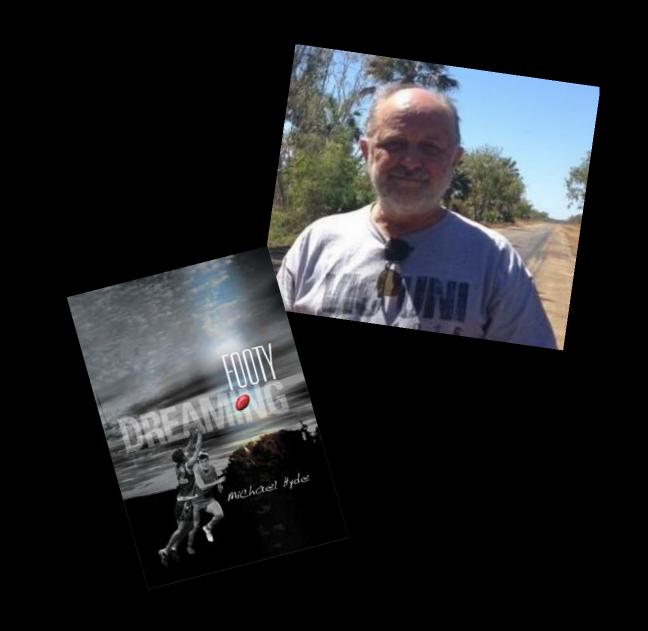
Gabrielle is an award-winning author and illustrator. Her best-known novels are The Garden of Empress Cassia, The Pearl of Tiger Bay, A Ghost in My Suitcase, The Wishbird, The Beast of Hushing Wood and the popular Our Australian Girl, Poppy and Pearlie books. Her latest novel is Ting Ting the Ghosthunter (sequel to A Ghost in My Suitcase).



* Gabrielle's preference is for a year 7 audience.

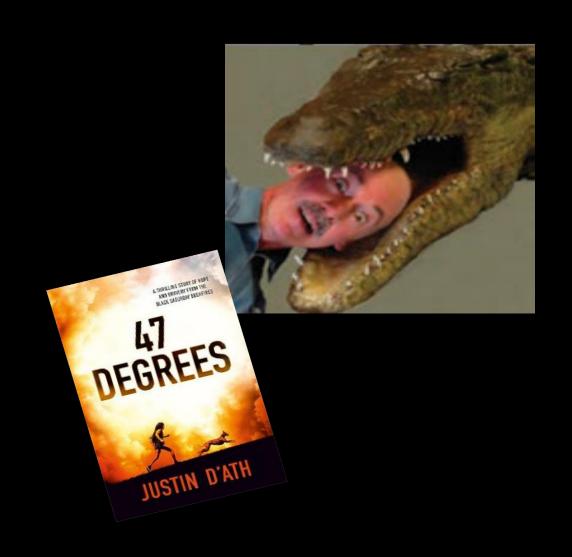
Michael Hyde

Michael writes mainly for children, adolescents and YA -MAX, Tyger Tyger, Hey Joe, Surfing Goliath, Footy Dreaming - all critically acclaimed. His Change the Game Sports series on AFL, Basketball and Soccer sold 20,000 copies. His Memoir, All along the Watchtower (Vulgar Press) looked at the Sixties in Australia.



Justin D'Ath

Justin D'Ath has written more than 50 books for children and young adults. He lives in Queenscliff and is often spotted on the dog beach fetching tennis balls for his lazy whippets. his latest children's novel, 47 Degrees, draws from his own experience of losing his house in the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires.



Sue Bursztynski

For many years, she wrote fiction and non-fiction for small-press science fiction magazines before she won the Mary Grant Bruce Award for children's literature and realised that what she enjoyed most was writing for young people. She has written ten books, one of which (Potions to Pulsars: Women doing science) was a Notable Book in the Children's Book Council Awards. Another, Starwalkers: Explorers of the unknown, was nominated for the NSW Premier's History Award. Her current books are Crime Time and Wolfborn.





Elizabeth Fensham

Elizabeth is a poet and an award-winning author of nine novels for children and young adults. Her titles include, Helicopter Man, The Invisible Hero, Matty Forever and My Dog Doesn't Like Me.



Marjory Gardner

Marjory Gardner's colourful characters appear in books, magazines and cards. She loves talking to students' and has drawn dancing dogs, singing fish and smiling spiders in her presentations to schools across Australia. Marjory will discuss the stages from first idea to finished books and talk about illustration styles and techniques. Her latest book is Marlow Brown: Scientist in the Making.



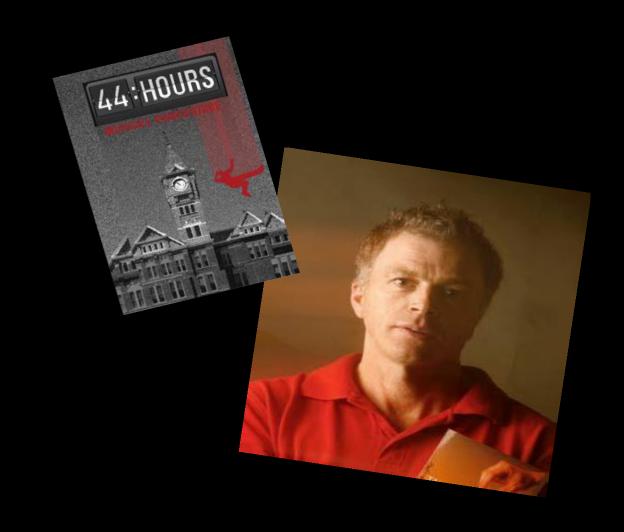
Emily Gale

Emily Gale has worked in the book industry for over 20 years in various roles. Hailing from London but now a resident of Melbourne, her novels include The Other Side of Summer (2016) and I am out with Lanterns (2018), which is shortlisted for the NSW Premier's Literary Award and longlisted for the Inky Awards.



Michael Panckridge

Inspired by his passion for sport and desire to get reluctant readers reading, teacher Michael Panckridge put his mind to finding out what it is kids want to read. Some years later he finds himself the author of over 40 books - his work ranging from the sporty Legends and BBC cricket series to spooky thrillers like The Vanishings.



Michael Salmon

Since starting his career back in 1967, Michael has been busy entertaining young Australians with 176 children's books, toys, merchandise, theatre and television work. In 1978 ABC TV took Michael's character 'Alexander Bunyip' from his first book The Monster that ate Canberra and for a decade made him into a 'star' on afternoon national television. Michael spends most of his time these days visiting schools around Australia.



Sean McMullen

As an after-hours author, Sean McMullen established an international reputation with over a hundred and twenty science fiction and fantasy novels and stories published in fourteen languages. He was runner up for a Hugo Award with his novelette Eight Miles and has won fifteen other awards.



Book Sales & Literary Quiz

 In Teams you will be challenged to complete a Literary Quiz – NO CHEATING – there will be prizes

 There will be an opportunity to purchase books on the day.
 Information about this will be sent out so that you can plan how much money to bring







Alphabet Aerobics SLAM BATTLE Do you know the Alphabet Aerobics? Or can you learn it in time? You can perform solo or in a group

There will be SLAM battles throughout the day

Who will be crowned the Alphabet Aerobics CHAMPION?

– there will be prizes



On the day



Go to Pastoral as normal – you will be advised where you need to meet to start the Festival



Wear your sport uniform



Make sure you have your pencil case – many of the workshops will be interactive



Do NOT bring your laptop or phone



Questions?

All information will be sent to you via your school email address – please check it often

If you have questions that your English Teacher cannot answer please email Mrs Phillips — kintaraphillips@Emmaus.vic.edu.au