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2010 DAVITT AWARDS: READERS' CHOICE: VOTE NOW

July 12, 2010

The 40 books below are competing for this year's Sisters in Crime Australia's Davitt Awards for the best crime books by Australian women published in Australia in 2009. For the fourth year running, the Davitts are proudly sponsored by the Victoria Police Museum. This year, the Davitt Awards are also part of the Melbourne Writers' Festival official program.

Davitts will be awarded for the best adult novel, the best children's/young adult novel, best true crime book and readers' choice (as decided by the members of Sisters in Crime).

The winners each receive a handsome trophy to be presented on **Saturday August 28, 7pm**, Celtic Club, Restaurant, 1st Floor, corner La Trobe and Queen Sts, Melbourne by Tartan Noir crime queen, Val McDermid. Note: has lift and is wheelchair accessible.

'Early bird' bookings for Sisters in Crime members open one day early at 9am Thursday July 15 (1 day early): . Bookings close Monday August 23 but book early to avoid disappointment— individually or in tables of up to 10 or 15 via the Melbourne Writer's Festival website: <http://tickets.mwf.com.au/session.asp?sc=1801> or ring (03) 99991199 After July 16, you can also go via the general website address www.mwf.com.au

The judges, other than you, are Jacqui Horwood, Tanya King-Carmichael, Jacqui Horwood, Shelley Robertson, Rosi Tovey and Sue Turnbull.

Tick ONE box ONLY next to your favourite women's crime book for 2008 and post to Readers' Choice – The Davitts, Sisters in Crime, GPO Box 5319, Melbourne 3001 by Friday August 6, 2010. Members can lodge only one vote. (Don't tick each category, only one.) Please add your name to the top line and it will be ticked off the Sisters in Crime membership list.

ADULT NOVELS

- Sydney Bauer, *Move to Strike* (PanMacmillan)
- Emma Boling, *Riding High* (Penguin Books Australia)
- H (Honey) M Brown, *Red Queen* (Penguin Books Australia)
- Marianne Delacourt, *Sharp Shooter* (Allen & Unwin)
- Joy Dettman, *Pearl in a Cage* (PanMacmillan)
- Kathryn Fox, *Bloodborn* (PanMacmillan)
- Leah Giarrantano, *Black Ice* (Random House)
- Carol Gibson, *Pestle & Mortar* (Zeus Publications)
- Kerry Greenwood, *Forbidden Fruit* (Allen & Unwin)
- Antoinette Eklund, *Steel River* (Arcadia – Australian Scholarly Publishing)
- Helen Fitzgerald, *The Devil's Staircase* (Polygon Press -Newsouth Books)

- PD Martin, *The Killing Hands* (PanMacmillan)
- Colleen McCulloch, *Too Many Murders* (HarperCollins)
- Fleur McDonald, *Red Dust* (Allen & Unwin)
- Fiona McIntosh, *A Beautiful Death* (HarperCollins)
- Tara Moss, *Siren* (HarperCollins)
- Caroline Overington, *Ghost Child: The Past Is Always Close Behind* (Random House)
- Alex Palmer, *Labyrinth of Drowning* (HarperCollins)
- Bronwyn Parry, *Dark Country* (Hachette Australia)
- Maria Quinn, *Gene Thieves* (HarperCollins)
- Rhonda Roberts, *Gladiator* (HarperCollins)

CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG ADULT NOVELS

- Goldie Alexander, *Hedgeburners: An A~Z Mystery* (Interactive Publications)
- Catherine Jinks, *The Reformed Vampire Support Group* (Allen & Unwin)
- Catherine Jinks, *Genius Wars* (Allen & Unwin)
- Justine Larbalestier, *Liar* (Allen & Unwin)
- Gabrielle Lord, *Conspiracy 365 – January* (Scholastic Australia)
- Isabelle Merlin, *Cupid's Arrow* (Random House)
- Isabelle Merlin, *Pop Princess* (Random House)
- Moya Simons, *The Walk Right in Detective Agency – Bad News for Milk Bay* (Walker Press)
- Moya Simons, *The Walk Right in Detective Agency – On the Case The Walk* (Walker Press)
- Moya Simons, *Right in Detective Agency – Mischief Afoot* (Walker Press)

TRUE CRIME

- Kathryn Bonella, *Hotel Kerobokan: The Shocking Inside Story of Bali's Most Notorious Jail* (PanMacmillan)
- Robin Bowles, *Blood Brothers: Justice at Last* (The Five Mile Press)
- Sue Bursztynski, *Crime Time: Australians Behaving Badly* (Ford Street Publishing)
- Lindy Cameron, ed., *Outside the Law 3* (The Five Mile Press)
- Noelene Kyle, *A Greater Guilt: Constance Emilie Kent and the Road Murder* (Boolarong Press)
- Debi Marshall, *Lambs to the Slaughter* (Random House)
- Esther McKay, *Forensic Investigator: True Stories from the Life of a Country Crime Scene Cop* (Viking – Penguin Books Australia)
- Vikki Petraitis, *Salvation – The True Story of Rod Braybon's Fight for Justice* (Jewel Publishing)
- Candace Sutton and Ellen Connolly, *Lady Killer: How Conman Bruce Burrell Kidnapped and Killed Rich Women for Their Money* (Allen & Unwin)