

## QUESTIONNAIRE

Please take the time to complete the questionnaire as it helps us plan events and attract sponsorship.

Which area of writing are you interested in (eg fiction, drama, poetry, children's)?

  
  
  

How did you find out about the Writers Centre?

  

What do you hope to gain by joining the Writers Centre?

  
  
  

What is your employment field?

  

Are you: an emerging writer (unpublished)

Developing (some work published in journals)

Established writer (1 or more collections of poetry/prose published by a national publisher)

Are you of Aboriginal/Torres St Islander background? Yes  No

Of non-English Speaking background? Yes  No

Are you a writer with a disability? Yes  No

How many books would you read in a year?

How many books would you purchase in a year?

Which television station do you prefer to watch?

Which radio station do you prefer to listen to?

Where do you get your print information on what events are happening in Canberra and the region?

  
  
  

How many times per year would you attend the:

Theatre?  Cinema?  Library?

Are you connected to the internet? Yes  No

Please include a stamped self-addressed office envelope for the return of your newsletter and membership card.

Post to: ACT Writers Centre, Gorman House,  
Ainslie Avenue, Braddon ACT 2612

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### Membership Benefits

As well as the 11 issues of ACTWrite containing articles, events, profiles, competitions and literary information, members receive discounts at ACT Writers Centre workshops and events, discounts at interstate Writers' Centre events & workshops, access to the ACT Writers Centre Resource Library, information, advice and referral, discounts on Street Theatre presentations, discounts at a variety of bookshops and other local and regional businesses.

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# Services for members

The ACT Writers Centre is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting writing-based culture and supporting the rights and interests of writers within Canberra and the surrounding region. The Centre has seen an enormous growth since its incorporation in 1994 and now boasts a membership of over 950 writers covering all genres and aged from 10 through to 90.

The Centre also acts an information and liaison centre for writers, publishers, writing organisations and educational institutions. Members have access to our resource library, as well as the use of the meeting room, work space and equipment. We provide advice on many areas of writing and publishing, including markets for writers and competition details.

We also provide the opportunity to meet with other members with similar interests, on an informal basis through various writing groups and at social occasions.

The ACT Writers Centre is part of the National Association of Writers Centres.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the ACT Writers Centre, you can complete this application form, call in to see us, phone or visit our website.

## Resources and information

The Centre's staff are available to answer all your queries by phone, fax, email or in person Tuesday-Friday 10am-5pm and Saturday 10am-4pm, excluding public holidays.

## Publications

As well as occasionally publishing collections of work relating to particular projects, we will keep you informed of all literary events and publishing opportunities through our monthly newsletter, *ACTWrite*. We also explore all opportunities for publishing our members' works.

## Workshops and Masterclasses

The Centre offers over 40 adult and youth, and local and regional workshops per year on a range of subjects such as non-fiction, fiction, scriptwriting, poetry and writing for children. We host seminars from local and visiting writers.

## Getting Published Seminar

This popular event allows writers to gain advice from industry professionals in one place at one time. Generally held annually, the seminar offers advice from a funding body representative, contract lawyer, literary agent, publisher, editor, manuscript assessor and publicist.

## Invite-a-Writer

The Centre constantly receives requests from schools, government and non-government departments and individuals for names of writers available for work as editors, ghostwriters, mentors, readers, etc. For a small fee you can list yourself on our Invite-a-Writer database, available to employers nation-wide.

## Manuscript Assessment

We will offer manuscript assessment for members' short prose, novel extracts, film scripts and poetry.

## Literary Events

We host a range of literary events including Meet the Author events, literary lunches, public readings and literary quiz nights

## Library and books sales

Our ever-expanding library contains books on 'how to write' in most genres; interstate writers' centre newsletters and literary journals; and a collection of locally written and published books. Members are able to borrow books and journals for short-term loan. We also sell a range of writing resource books.

## Short Story Award

We administer the annual Marjorie Graber-McInnis Short Story Award and the ACT Writers Centre Poetry Award for emerging ACT region writers, the Z4 Wines Award for Book Reviewing as well as the ACT Writing and Publishing Awards for ACT region.

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME:

ADDRESS:

P'CODE:

PHONE:  (H)  (W)

E-MAIL:

YEAR OF BIRTH: (optional)

I would like to receive my newsletter by mail

Members who do not tick this box will receive their monthly newsletters via email

### Membership type

|                  | One year | Two years |
|------------------|----------|-----------|
| Individual       | \$60     | \$115     |
| Concession       | \$50     | \$95      |
| Couple           | \$110    | \$210     |
| Organisational   | \$105    | \$200     |
| Youth membership | \$45     | \$85      |

Donation (TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

### PAYMENT:

Money Order/Cheque  Cash

Credit Card (Mastercard, Bankcard or Visa)

Cardholder Name:

Card Number:  /  /  /

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