



# ALIA CYSS Group Bulletin

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## General Interest

The **2016 CBCA Book of the Year Notables** have recently been announced. Winning titles can be viewed at <http://cbca.org.au/notables-2016>

### Children's Laureate – Leigh Hobbs

Recently nominated Children's Laureate for 2016 and 2017, Leigh Hobbs, will be offering workshops for adults and children, focusing on visual literacy and picture books. For a detailed interview of his background please [click here](#), and [more information](#).

**David Metzenthen** announces latest novel *Dreaming the Enemy*. For full interview <http://readingtime.com.au/david-metzenthen-talks-dreaming-enemy/>

**Aussie kids and teens online.** Released by the ACMA, [this snapshot](#) details young peoples' engagement in the online world, the devices they use and what attracts them to be online.

**SLAV** has moved office. They are now located at Level 2 / 90 Maribyrnong Street, Footscray. Vic. 3011.

**National Early Literacy Summit** – held March 2016 - PLS blog page includes links to the videos from the speakers at the Summit and other resources that were discussed – <http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/blogs/australian-national-early-literacy-summit>

One speaker, Dr Emilia Djonov has been collecting information from many NSW libraries and her discussion can be [viewed here](#).

## Reports

**Victorian Public Libraries – Strategic Framework (Summary Report)** [link here](#)

## Awards

### Nominations for Bess Thomas and Marjorie Cotton Awards – now open.

ALIA's **Bess Thomas Award** recognises innovative and significant library services to young people. A pioneer Children's Librarian, Bess Thomas was the co-founder of the Mosman Children's Library in 1934, was a member of the preliminary committee who established the Children's Book of the Year Award which instigated the Children's Book Council of Australia. For more details: <https://www.alia.org.au/about-alia/awards-and-grants/371/bess-thomas-award>



ALIA's **Marjorie Cotton Award** recognises individual achievement and cooperative networking in providing library services to young people. Marjorie Cotton was NSW's first professionally qualified children's librarian who initiated the popular activities promoted in public libraries today including storytelling, outreach with schools, collection development for children in LOTE and the recruitment of qualified children's librarians. For more details: <https://www.alia.org.au/about-alia/awards-and-grants/373/marjorie-cotton-award>

Both nominations close 31 July

**Ena Noel Award**, presented by IBBY Australia Inc, goes to YA author Kate Gordon. Her book *Writing Clementine*, published by Allen & Unwin, is a "refreshing and multi-layered story about the lives of believable young people" --- taken from IBBY Press Release.

**Hans Christian Andersen Awards**. are presented biannually by IBBY who recognise an author and illustrator's lasting contributions to children's literature. 2016 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This year the shortlist was announced at Bologna Children's Book Fair on 4 April 2016. The winning titles include *Bronze and Sunflower* (Walker Books), by Chinese author Cao Wenxuan and; *The It-Doesn't-Matter-Suit* (Sylvia Plath, Faber) and *The Number Devil* (Hans Magnus Enzenberger, Granta), by German illustrator Rotraut Susanne Berner.

**USBBY Outstanding International Books** - Two Australian titles have been included in the 2016 United States Board of Books for Young People (USBBY) list of Outstanding International Books for children and young adults;

*My Two Blankets* (Irena Kobald and Freya Blackwood, Little Hare) and *Amina: Through My Eyes* (J. L. Powers, edited by Lyn White). [More details here](#)

The **Australian Book Designers Association 2016 Shortlist** awards have been announced and winners will be confirmed May 13, 2016 in Melbourne. <http://abda.com.au/awards/shortlist-2016/>

The winners for both the **2016 Gold Inky Longlist** and **2016 The Silver Inky Longlist** have been announced. Details at <http://readingtime.com.au/inky-longlists-2016/>

The shortlist for the **2016 Readings Children's Book Prize** will be announced in June 2016. Listing at <http://readingtime.com.au/readings-childrens-book-prize-2016-shortlist/>

## PD and Events

### National

**National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) 2016**. Wednesday 25 May @ 11am. The 2016 NSS book is *I got this hat* by Jol and Kate Temple. For downloadable resources, activities and to register: <https://www.alia.org.au/nss>

**Library and Information Week**. 23-29 May 2016 <https://www.alia.org.au/liw>

**12<sup>th</sup> National CBCA Conference**. "Read Myriad Possibilities" 20 – 21 May 2016 - The Menzies, Sydney. A full program and other details [National Conference website](#).



**ALIA Information Online Conference 2017.** 13-17 Feb 2017. Registrations open 25 October 2016 and close 30 January, 2017. More information at <https://www.alia.org.au/events/9892/alia-information-online-2017-conference>

## Victoria

ALIA will host its first online forum for the **Schools Online Forum – Victorian Curriculum F-10** from Wednesday 27 April until Wednesday 4 May, 2016. To access please go to the ALIA blog: <http://aliaschools.wordpress.com/>

**ALIA Schools seminar “My country, my story: reading matters”.** 21 May 2016. For further details and registration <https://www.regonline.com.au/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1834295>

**PLVN Children’s and Youth Services Workshop.** 12 November 2016. Keynote presentation and Youth Panel. More information at [www.plvn.net.au/node/1](http://www.plvn.net.au/node/1)

## NSW

**Sydney Writers Festival.** 16-22 May 2016. For more information visit <http://www.swf.org.au>

**2016 National Youth Conference: Connect, Inspire, Motivate, Change.** 2-5 Aug 2016. For more information visit [www.youthcouncil.org.au/](http://www.youthcouncil.org.au/)

**Weaving Stories Together - Sydney International Storytelling Conference.** May 27-29, 2016  
*Through the Prism of Story* **Australian Storytelling Guild (NSW)**

Award-winning author Jaclyn Moriarty is hosting a one day **Young Adult fiction writing workshop** for SCBWI (Society for Children’s Book writers & Illustrators) members. 21 May 2016. For further details visit <http://faberwritingacademy.com.au/writing-young-adult-fiction.html#.VwdmsXAY7V1>

## Queensland

Registrations are now open for the **2016 International Library Symposium: Space and Place, Power and Purpose.** 18-20 September 2016. For more information visit <http://www.qsla.org.au/calendar/2016/9/18/2016-international-library-symposium-ilstss>

## South Australia

**ALIA National 2016 Conference** 29 Aug – 2 Sept 2016. Registrations close 15 Aug: <https://www.regonline.com.au/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1736843> More information at <https://nationalconference.alia.org.au/>

## International

**The 35<sup>th</sup> IBBY International Congress.** 18 Aug-21 Aug 2016 in New Zealand. More information at <http://readingtime.com.au/35th-ibby-international-congress/>



## Pinterest

With new Pin boards added there are many inspirational ideas on our Pinterest account.

**Follow us on Pinterest:** <https://www.pinterest.com/cyssalia/>

## Useful Websites

### Storytime blogs

Our committee member, Melinda Allan finds these storytime blogs very useful for ideas for storytime activities.

- <http://missmegsstorytime.com/>
- <http://sunflowerstorytime.com/>
- <http://storytimekatie.com/>
- <http://jbrary.com/>

### Love OZ YA

A blog site dedicated to promoting Australian YA literature  
<http://loveozya.tumblr.com/>

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