

The Children's Book Council of Australia announces  
**THE 2019 BOOK OF THE YEAR SHORTLIST**

Book of the Year: Older Readers

*Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers in their secondary years of schooling. Ages 13-18 years (NB: These books are for mature readers).*

Author	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Atkins, Clare	Between Us	Black Inc. Books	9781760640217
Epstein, Sarah	Small Spaces	Walker Books Australia	9781921977381
Foxlee, Karen	Lenny's Book of Everything	Allen & Unwin	9781760529444
Gardner, Scot	Changing Gear	Allen & Unwin	9781760631468
Herrick, Steven	The Bogan Mondrian	University of Queensland Press	9780702259982
Kernot, Sharon	The Art of Taxidermy	Text Publishing	9781925603743

Book of the Year: Younger Readers

*Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers from the middle to upper primary years. Ages 7-12 years.*

Author	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Dubosarsky, Ursula (illus. by Andrew Joyner)	Brindabella	Allen & Unwin	9781760112042
Marwood, Lorraine	Leave Taking	University of Queensland Press	9780702260117
Merrison, Carl & Hustler, Hakea	Black Cockatoo	Magabala Books	9781925360707
Moriarty, Jaclyn	The Slightly Alarming Tale of the Whispering Wars	Allen & Unwin	9781760297183
Nugent, Carly	The Peacock Detectives	Text Publishing	9781925603705
Rodda, Emily	His Name Was Walter	HarperCollins Publishers	9781460756188

### Book of the Year: Early Childhood

*Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for children who are at pre-reading or early stages of reading. Ages 0-6 years.*

Author/Illustrator	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Canty, John	Heads and Tails: Insects	Berbay Publishing	9780994384164
Guest, Patrick (illus. by Nathaniel Eckstrom)	The Dress-Up Box	Hardie Grant Egmont	9781760124922
King, Stephen Michael	Rainbow Bear	Scholastic Australia	9781742997698
Lester, Alison	Noni the Pony Rescues a Joey	Allen & Unwin	9781760293123
Lester, Alison	Tricky's Bad Day	Affirm Press	9781925712513
Riddle, Tohby	Here Comes Stinkbug!	Allen & Unwin	9781760523527

### Picture Book of the Year

*Entries in this category should be outstanding books of the Picture Book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity or, in wordless picture books, where the story, theme or concept is unified through illustrations. Ages 0-18 years (NB. Some of these books may be for mature readers).*

Illustrator/Author	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Blackwood, Freya (text by Margaret Wild)	The Feather	Hardie Grant Egmont	9781760124212
Greder, Armin	The Mediterranean	Allen & Unwin	9781760630959
Hurst, Elise (text by Lucy Estela)	Girl on Wire	Penguin Random House Australia	9780143787167
Ord, Mandy (text by Margaret Wild)	Chalk Boy	Allen & Unwin	9781760630683
Speechley, Michael	The All New Must Have Orange 430	Penguin Random House Australia	9780143788973
Tan, Shaun	Cicada	Hachette Australia	9780734418630

### Eve Pownall Award

*Entries in this category should be books which have the prime intention of documenting factual material with consideration given to imaginative presentation, interpretation and variation of style. Ages 0-18 years.*

Author/Illustrator	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Cleave, Rohan (illus. by Coral Tulloch)	Bouncing Back: An Eastern Barred Bandicoot Story	CSIRO Publishing	9781486308279
Greenwood, Mark (illus. by Andrew McLean)	The Happiness Box: A Wartime Book of Hope	Walker Books Australia	9781925081381
Rawlins, Donna (illus. by Mark Jackson & Heather Potter)	Waves	Walker Books Australia	9781925381641
Ryan, Kate (illus. By Cally Bennett)	Make Believe: M.C. Escher for Kids	National Gallery of Victoria	9781925432558
Stubbs, Siena	Our Birds: Njilimurrungu Wäyin Malanyinha	Magabala Books	9781925360981
Vass, Coral (illus. by Dub Leffler)	Sorry Day	National Library of Australia	9780642279033

### CBCA Award for New Illustrator

*This Award aims to recognise and encourage new talent in the field of Australian children's book illustration. Ages 0-18 years.*

Illustrator	Title	Publisher	ISBN
Chun, Matt	Australian Birds	Hardie Grant Egmont	9781760502003
Gray-Barnett, Daniel	Grandma Z	Scribble Kids' Books	9781925322156
Harricks, Tannya	Dingo	Walker Books Australia	9781925381283
Langton, Allison	The Singing Seal	Affirm Press	9781925584868
Metcalfe, Samantha	Carmichael's Journey	Little Steps Publishing	9781925545692
Reiseger, Jane	Red House, Blue House, Green House, Tree House!	Affirm Press	9781925584691

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