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It is a passion for writing and literature that brings members of the Society of Women Writers together. In this edition we get to celebrate some of our own successful authors – the winners of the 2016 Members' Book Awards. Congratulations!

I have also had the privilege of speaking with award-winning children's author Allison Tait. She shares her literary journey, writing tips and some exciting news. With the festive season upon us, we are also exploring the art of letter writing. Our guest writer from the State Library of NSW looks at the special role women have played in recording history through their letters and diaries. It is a fascinating reminder of just how much we have to lose if we don't remember to pick up the pen now and then. Perhaps write a letter this Christmas as a unique gift!

I wish you all a safe and happy festive season.

Happy writing!