



THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN WRITERS NSW INC.

Giving Women Writers a Voice



HILARIE LINDSAY PRIZE 2026

The Hilarie Lindsay Prize is established in memory of Dr Hilarie Elizabeth Lindsay MBE OAM (1922–2021). Hilarie was a distinguished Australian writer, mentor, businesswoman, and proud supporter and former president of, the Society. She was also a fierce advocate for social justice; a theme reflected in the breadth of her literary works.

PRIZE: \$2000

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The entrant must be a woman who is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia and aged 18 years or older at the Closing Date. The entrant may be a published or unpublished writer.
2. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**
 - a. **Literary Work:** The entry must be a literary work of prose, fiction, or non-fiction, with a social justice theme.
 - b. **Original:** The entry must be unpublished, in English, the original work of the entrant and must not have received an award or prize in any prior competition nor be entered in a competition prior to or on the closing date.
 - c. **Authorship:** The entry must be conceived and written exclusively by the human entrant. Entrants must confirm that they have not used Artificial Intelligence (“AI”) or any automated writing tools to compose the entry.
 - d. **Length:** Entries must not exceed 5,000 words.
 - e. **Format:** Entries must be typed, 12pt, Times New Roman, 1.5 line spacing, printed single-sided on white A4 paper, page-numbered and with title in footer and submitted in a PDF file. The entrant's/ author's name or any identifier **must not appear anywhere on the entry.**
 - f. **Limitation:** An entrant may submit one (1) entry only.
 - g. **Entry Fee:** A non-refundable entry fee of \$10 must be paid on or before submission to the Society.
 - h. **Submission:** Entries must be submitted by 6:00 pm on the Closing Date by email to **the Receiving Officer**. Email must include literary work as a PDF file, Entry Form duly completed and signed, and proof of payment of the entry fee.
3. **GENERAL:**
 - a. **Rejection:** An entry will be rejected if any of the Eligibility requirements or Entry requirements are not satisfied.
 - b. **Return:** Entries, whether shortlisted or not, will not be returned.
 - c. **Judges:** Judges will be appointed by the Society to judge the entries and determine the winner of the Prize. The judge's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into. The judges reserve the right not to award a Prize.
 - d. **Shortlisted entrants:** Shortlisted entrants will be contacted via email and invited to attend the Prize giving ceremony in person or by electronic/audio visual means.
 - e. **Winner announced:** The winner will be announced and the Prize awarded at the prize giving ceremony conducted by the Society at a venue, date and time to be advised.

PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEE

PAYMENT METHOD – please include a proof of payment with your entry.

◇ Card (credit or debit) through TryBooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/DGUIZ>

◇ Electronic funds transfer (EFT):

The Society of Women Writers NSW Inc. **BSB: 062-018** **Account Number: 00950433**

Reference: First initial of entrant's name then surname followed by HLP, e.g. Hilarie Lindsay would be H.Lindsay HLP.



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HILARIE LINDSAY PRIZE 2026 ENTRY FORM



CLOSING DATE 6:00 PM 27 February 2026

Name of entrant:

Postal address:

Postcode:

Mobile number: **Home phone:**

Email:

Title of entry:

Please mark each box with an 'X' and sign and date below:

I submit the attached entry for judging for The Hilarie Lindsay Prize.

I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions of Entry for The Hilarie Lindsay Prize and agree to be bound by them.

I am an Australian citizen/permanent resident of Australia and over 18 years of age as at the Closing Date.

The attached entry is my original work; it has not been previously published nor entered in another competition for a prize or an award.

I have not used Artificial Intelligence (AI) or any automated writing tools to compose the entry.

I have paid the non-refundable entry fee and attach proof of payment.

I grant the Society of Women Writers NSW Inc. permission to publish my entry in the Society's magazine, *Women's Ink!*, and on the Society's website if I am the winner of The Hilarie Lindsay Prize.

Name:

Signature: **Date:**

(If using Excel format, type name)

PLEASE EMAIL as PDF files:

- ◇ proof of payment of entry fee; and
- ◇ the literary work submitted for judging

TO: Pippa Kay, Receiving Officer:

pippakay64@gmail.com

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR NAME DOES NOT APPEAR ON YOUR LITERARY WORK SUBMITTED FOR JUDGING.

Entries received after 6:00 pm on the Closing Date will be ineligible for judging.