

Lee Emmett

Lee has been involved in self-publishing short story anthologies by Sandybeach Studio Writers and Bayside Night Writers for the past 10 years. She publishes *Swag o'Verse* and *Swag o'Tales* and writes poetry and short stories. Lee has become interested in publishing on the web after her poem *Leaves* won Voicesnet's international competition.

Alison Goodman

Alison wrote *The Two Pearls of Wisdom*, which has sold into 12 countries and recently won the Aurealis Award for Best Fantasy Novel. Her first novel, *Singing the Dogstar Blues*, won the 1998 Aurealis Award for Best Young Adult Novel, and was an American Library Association Best Book (2004) and a CBC Notable Book. Her second novel, a crime thriller titled *Killing the Rabbit*, was recently published in the US. Alison holds a Master of Arts, teaches creative writing, and lives in Bayside.

www.alisongoodman.com.au

Tim Harding

Tim Harding is an experienced musician and runs Yandoo Productions, a small independent label producing live and recorded music performances specialising in jazz, blues and swing. For over 20 years, he has been the leader of the Australian Cotton Club Orchestra, which has recorded 4 CDs, and has digital tracks on over 50 web sites, including iTunes.

Jarad Henry

Jarad has worked in the justice system for the past 10 years and is currently a strategic advisor for Victoria Police. He has a degree in Criminology and is a regular presenter at many conferences, forums and seminars on crime trends. He is also the author of two crime novels – *Head Shot* and *Blood Sunset*.

www.jaradhenry.com.au

Andrew Jobling

Andrew is a former St Kilda footballer, personal trainer and educator with more than 20 years of experience in the health and wellbeing industry. He is the author of *Eat Chocolate, Drink Alcohol and be Lean & Healthy*.

June Loves

June has more than 100 books published with international publishers and her non-fiction and children's fiction books have received awards. *Creative Fun with Grandkids* and her six-title children's series *Angel Street Books* are to be published next year.

Suzanne McCourt

Suzanne is a local poet, author and artist. She has worked extensively as a teacher at secondary and tertiary levels and conducts workshops in creativity inspired by Julia Cameron's book *The Artist's Way*. Her short stories and poems have been published in journals and anthologies and she has recently completed her first novel.

Mairi Neil

The publication of two short stories in *The Weekly Times* launched Mairi's writing career in 1986. A teacher of creative writing, she has conducted workshops in community centres and schools. As the Coordinator of Mordialloc Writers' Group for 13 years, she has edited their 7 anthologies.

Philip Norton (aka Preacherman Says)

Philip is a writer, performer, composer and text-fusion artist. He is the recipient of two national Australian poetry awards and is currently working on a one-man show based on his 'Preacherman Says' persona. He has written and produced programs for ABC Radio National and is working on a new series for them to be produced later in 2009.

Vikki Petraitis

Vikki's first book, *The Phillip Island Murder*, has been made into an episode of *Sensing Murder* with TV audiences of several million. Her third book, *The Frankston Murders*, about serial killer Paul Denyer, is a best seller and has become a classic in the Australian true-crime genre. Vikki's latest book is called *Salvation* and is due for release in July 2009.

Shirley Randles

Shirley has been presenting *Write Now*, a weekly radio program for emerging and published writers on Southern FM.88.3 for 17 years. She has also taught 'Writing for Radio' to writing groups of all ages. Shirley has published her memoirs *No Locked Doors: Jewish Life in Shepparton* and co-edited *Breaking the Psyche*.

Barrie Sheppard

Barrie is a retired senior lecturer in English. He organises and teaches the local U3A literature course, and gives poetry readings to various community groups.

Dan Stock

Dan has tried to teach the vagaries of English to Germans, read Russian literature in Prague and worked as a print, broadcast and online journalist. He is currently Deputy Lifestyle Editor at Fairfax Community Network, publisher of *Melbourne Weekly Bayside*.

Luke Watson

Luke has turned his life long love of drawing into a multifaceted creative business – Awokenlust Creations. His work as a cartoonist and caricaturist has been published and commissioned across Australia and internationally. He is always looking for new inspiration that can be twisted through the art of cartooning.

Tristan Bancks

Tristan worked as an actor (*Home & Away*), a television presenter and a film-maker before writing his first novel *Mac Slater, Cool Hunter 1: The Rules of Cool* which will be released in the US later this year. His second novel in this series, *Mac Slater, I ♥ New York* was released in Feb 2009. Tristan also has a new series, *Nitboy*, out in May 2009. He has co-written a novel with Tempamy Deckert, *it's yr life*, and is working on a project called Change the World. www.tristanbancks.com

David Campbell

David, a local writer, has won national literary awards for short stories and poetry (both traditional and free verse). He has contributed to three poetry books for children, and in 2007 published *Skycatcher*, an anthology of original Australian bush verse, and *Morning Light*, a collection of short stories.

Cathy Cole

Cathy is a novelist, a non-fiction writer, reviewer, literary judge and a Professor of Creative Writing at RMIT. She has written two crime thrillers, *Skin Deep* and *Dry Dock*, and a novel set in Vietnam, *The grave at Thu Le*. Her non-fiction writing includes an entertaining commentary on crime fiction, *Private Dicks and Feisty Chicks* and *The Poet Who Forgot*; a fascinating series of letters she exchanged with A. D. Hope.

Fred Curtis

Fred is a poet, short story writer, novelist, occasional essayist and the president of the Bayside branch of the Federation of Australian Writers (FAW). Fred's poetry and poetics have appeared in numerous journals, anthologies and two chapbooks.

Christine Darcas

Christine had been writing for 13 years before her first novel *Dancing Backwards in High Heels* was published. She loves dancing almost as much as writing; reaching the semi-finals of the 2007 Tattersalls' Australian Dancesport Championships in the Masters division. She is a local writer whose fiction and non-fiction has appeared in both Australian and overseas publications.

Cecilia Dart-Thornton

Cecilia wrote a fantasy trilogy called *The Bitterbynde* and posted an extract from the first chapter online. She was approached by an editor with the details of a US literary agent who signed Cecilia and sold all three titles to Time Warner in New York. *The Ill-Made Mute*, *The Lady of the Sorrows* and *The Battle of Evernight* received accolades in journals from the Washington Post to The Times. Her books are now distributed worldwide, in several languages. www.dartthornton.com

Gala opening night

Friday 22 May

6.45pm to 9.30pm

Beaumaris Community Hall

Opened by Mayor, Cr. James Long.

Spoken-word artist Philip Norton, aka Preacherman Says, will host the event and entertain the crowd with his original word artistry.

Writing competition winners will be announced by Philip Norton and judges Meredith Costain, Paul Collins, David Campbell and Vikki Petraitis.

Bayside City Council will announce the winning writer of the Billilla Artist in Residence program 2009.

Light refreshments and drinks provided. Invitation only.

Writing competitions

Open to all ages category: Passion for Poetry

Sponsored by: Thorpe-BOWKER

Judge: David Campbell

Open to all ages category: Passion for Prose

Sponsored by: FE Technologies

Judge: Vikki Petraitis

Junior category: Write around Bayside

For grade 5 and 6 students

Sponsored by: Book Street of Hampton

Judge: Meredith Costain

Teenage category: Microstories

For year 7 and 8 students

Sponsored by: Kidna Books of Hampton

Judge: Paul Collins

For more information visit

www.bayside.vic.gov.au/literary_festival_2009.htm

Author and presenter profiles

Gaytana Adorna

Gaytana is a broadcaster, speaker, actor and writer. She is also a communication consultant and a qualified and experienced voice, speech, acting and presentations coach. She taught for four years at the National Theatre Drama School and has directed numerous amateur and fringe theatre productions.

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Bayside Literary Festival program guide

22 - 31 May 2009

Dates	Event	Venue	Time	Cost	To book call:
Friday 22	Opening night. Writer, performer, composer and text-fusion artist, Philip Norton, aka Preacherman Says, will be the Master of Ceremonies at the opening of the 2009 Bayside Literary Festival. Bayside Literary Writing Competition winners will be announced and awarded their prizes. The 2009 Billilla Writer in Residence winner will be announced.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	6.45pm to 9.30pm	N/A	Invitation only
Saturday 23	Writing Backwards with June Loves! A young writers' workshop for Year 8+. A lively workshop guided by June's unique writing process and her entertaining book - <i>Cherry Cheng's Writing Journal</i> . Children need to bring a pencil, a notebook and their imagination.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	11am to 12noon	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	'On the Sandringham Line' with the Coastlines Poetry Group. Poetry reading and an open reading for anyone who would like to bring along their own poetry. Wine and cheese provided plus entertainment by jazz saxophonist Luke Serrano.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	2.00 to 3.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
Sunday 24	Fantasy and High Tea with Cecilia Dart-Thornton. Sip from bone china complemented by an array of home-made goodies, reminiscent of an old-fashioned high tea, as you listen to world-renowned and local fantasy author Cecilia Dart-Thornton explain a life which " <i>alternates between seen and unseen worlds of vivid strangeness, beauty, peril and passion</i> ".	Brighton Historical Society First floor, Corner of Wilson Street and Carpenter Street	2pm to 3.30pm	\$15	(03) 9553 8650
	Poetry workshop with Fred Curtis. A workshop designed to give you fresh ideas and inspiration to create poetry in a relaxed and fun environment with wine and cheese. Participants will receive free poetry journals and need to bring pen and paper.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	2pm to 4.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Cops and Robbers with Jarad Henry. A writing workshop to help you write the perfect crime scene with tips on Australian police procedures, investigative detail, terminology and dialogue. Please bring pen and paper.	Sandringham Library 2 - 8 Waltham Street	2pm to 5pm	Free	(03) 9599 3444
Monday 25	So you want to start a Book Club? Meet the Library Reader Promotion team for ideas on how to run your own book club. See new and recommended books, chat to the staff and enjoy morning tea.	Sandringham Library 2 - 8 Waltham Street	10.30am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9599 3444
	Bayside Poetry Group. Life and Laughter. Wit, wisdom and much more; entertainment galore. Wine and cheese provided.	Sandringham Historical Society 2 - 8 Waltham Street	6.30pm to 8pm	Free	(03) 9599 3444
	Meet the author Alison Goodman. Find out how Alison's novel <i>The Two Pearls of Wisdom</i> started as a one sentence verbal pitch to a publisher, then snowballed into a two book series that has sold into 12 countries, won a national award, and had its own billboard advertisement in New York's Times Square.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	7pm to 8pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
Tuesday 26	Start writing your own blog (online diary). This computer course is for those who are familiar with using the web and shows you how to create your own blog.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	10am to 12noon	Free	(03) 9591 5907
	So you want to start a Book Club? Meet the Library Reader Promotion team for ideas on how to run your own book club. See new and recommended books, chat to the staff and enjoy morning tea.	Hampton Library 1D Service Street	10.30am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9599 4362
	Beginning writing with Lee Emmett and June Loves. This session will give people ideas, tools, free writing, group writing, structures, editing and publishing tips.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	2pm to 3pm	Free	(03) 9589 8444
	Journal writing for health, self and creativity with Suzanne McCourt. Find out how journal writing can improve health and self esteem and develop creativity. Please bring writing materials for this interactive session.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	2pm to 3.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Trivia fun for the whole family. A fun night, with random prizes, designed to suit a variety of ages. Light refreshments are provided. BYO drinks.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	6.30pm to 8pm	Free	(03) 9589 8444
	Creative writing versus journalism with Fairfax Community Network Deputy Lifestyle Editor Dan Stock. An interactive workshop and discussion on how and where journalism, especially 'colour' and 'lifestyle', fits into the mass media and the world of words. Please bring pen and paper.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	7pm to 8pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	The rhythm, rhyme and reason of modern bush poetry with David Campbell. This workshop will celebrate the enjoyment of reading and writing traditional Australian verse and will focus on how rhythm (or metre) can be a driving force in both dramatic and humorous verse. Please bring pen and paper.	Black Rock House 36 Ebdon Avenue - please enter at the REAR	7.30pm to 9pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
Wednesday 27	National Simultaneous Storytime wants ewe! Join in this special storytime suitable for ages 3+. This year's National Simultaneous Storytime book, <i>Pete the Sheep</i> , will be read at 11am at all branches listed and will include an activity. <i>Pete the Sheep</i> , written by Jackie French and illustrated by Bruce Whatley, is an entertaining story about Sean the shearer who, instead of a sheepdog to help him, has got Pete - a sheep sheep!	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	10.45am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	U3A Literature Class with Barrie Sheppard. This session will be a typical U3A literature class. It will give an insight into how the U3A Literature classes are conducted. The course consists of a study of classical and modern novels, plays and poems.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	10.45am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9589 8444
	Memoir writing facilitated by Gaytana Adorna. Discussion with a panel of writers including Shirley Randles (<i>No Locked Doors</i>), Cher Chidzey (<i>The House of Ninety-Nine Closed Doors</i>), Noel Tennison (<i>My Spin in PR</i>) and Professor Weston Bate who will read from their memoirs and discuss aspects of memoir writing.	Sandringham Library 2 - 8 Waltham Street	10.30am to 11.15am	Free	(03) 9599 3444
	Russian poetry and literature reading. An invitation to the Russian community to enjoy an evening with well-known Melbourne Russian authors.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	12pm to 2pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Boys, Blokes and Books: Tristan Bancks. Meet the <i>Mac Slater, Coolhunter!</i> author Tristan Bancks - a session for boys aged 10+ and their dads (or a male relative or guardian). Find out about Tristan's career as an author, <i>Home & Away</i> actor, TV presenter and film-maker. Share your thoughts about reading.	Brighton Classic Residences 3 Brewer Rd, East Brighton	2pm to 4pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Short Story Writing with David Campbell. From ripping yarns to the power and the passion. This workshop will analyse how stories are structured, with a focus on the importance of establishing a 'voice' in the opening paragraphs. Please bring pen and paper.	Hampton Library 1D Service Street	6pm to 7.30pm	Free	(03) 9599 4362
	So you want to start a Book Club? Meet the Library Reader Promotion team for ideas on how to run your own book club. See new and recommended books, chat to the staff and enjoy morning tea.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	6.30pm to 7.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
Thursday 28	Hellenic Writers Association. An invitation to the Greek community to enjoy a book launch, Greek verse and delicious Greek nibbles.	Black Rock House 36 Ebdon Avenue - please enter at the REAR	7.30pm to 9pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Writing for Radio and Stage with Shirley Randles and Gaytana Adorna. Workshop for adults and teenagers about writing characters, dialogue etc to suit radio and stage audiences. Please bring some of your own work and writing materials.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	10.30am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9589 8444
	Meet the author Cathy Cole. Cathy is the author of two riveting crime thrillers set in Balmain, and a novel set in Vietnam. Her talk will be especially valuable to those interested in the process of writing, as Cathy combines the multiple perspectives of a writer, a creative writing teacher and a literary analyst.	Sandybeach Centre 2 Sims Street	4.15pm to 5.15pm	\$8	(03) 9598 2155
	Poetry Reading with Barrie Sheppard. A reading, with commentary, of selected poems from some of Australia's leading female poets, including Judith Wright, Margaret Scott and Gwen Harwood. Texts of the poems will be supplied.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	4.30pm to 5.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	How to produce your own CD with Tim Harding. This workshop is designed for anybody who has written, composed or arranged music and would like to sell recordings of it legally, at minimum cost and without going through a record company. Useful tips on planning, budgeting, finance, rehearsal, recording, mixing, mastering, copyright, manufacturing CDs, uploading digital tracks to the internet and promotion (including radio airplay).	Longbeach Place Neighbourhood House 15 Chelsea Road, Chelsea	5.30pm to 8pm	Free	(03) 9581 4956 Email: Chelsea.communityrenewal@kingston.vic.gov.au
Friday 29	So you want to start a Book Club? Meet the Library Reader Promotion team for ideas on how to run your own book club. See new and recommended books, chat to the staff and enjoy morning tea.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	10.30am to 11.30am	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Self-publishing with Lee Emmett. Lee will discuss topics such as copyright, format, ISBN, text, cover, submission guidelines, cost, distribution, legal issues, privacy and the web.	Sandringham Library 2 - 8 Waltham Street	2pm to 3pm	Free	(03) 9599 3444
Saturday 30	From memories to manuscripts with Mairi Neil. Be inspired and learn some tips about writing your life and family history. Materials and refreshments provided.	Mordialloc Neighbourhood House 457 Main Street	10am to 1pm	\$5	(03) 9587 8757 0403 900 585
	Meet the author Christine Darcas. We all have our perceptions about a novelist's life but how big is the chasm between myth and reality? In an interview with Gaytana Adorna, Christine, author of <i>Dancing Backwards in High Heels</i> , discusses walking the tightrope through the publishing industry.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	11am to 12noon	Free	(03) 9589 8444
	Creative puppet-making with Mairi Neil. For primary school children. Come along and make a puppet and be inspired to write a poem or story about your creation. Materials and refreshments provided.	Mordialloc Neighbourhood House 457 Main Street	2pm to 5pm	\$10	(03) 9587 8757 0403 900 585
	The art of story-telling with crime writer Vikki Petraitis. Whether writing fiction, or about some of Melbourne's most intriguing true crimes, the art of story-telling never changes. Vikki, author of <i>The Phillip Island Murder</i> and <i>The Frankston Murders</i> , will talk about finding that perfect story and getting it written.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	3pm to 4pm	Free	9591 5900
Sunday 31	Launch of Carnival Capers Mordialloc Writers' book launch. This will be the seventh anthology from the Mordialloc Writers group. Please RSVP by Friday 29 May for catering purposes.	Mordialloc Neighbourhood House 457 Main Street	From 2pm	Free	(03) 9587 8757 0403 900 585
	Cartooning workshop for teenagers with Luke Watson. Love to draw? Love cartoons and comics? Want to make it into a career? Join professional cartoonist and illustrator Luke to learn tips and tricks of the trade. Please bring a pencil and paper. For ages 12+.	Brighton Library 14 Wilson Street	2.30pm to 3.30pm	Free	(03) 9591 5900
	Meet the author Andrew Jobling. Former St Kilda footballer, personal trainer, educator and author of <i>Eat Chocolate, Drink Alcohol and be Lean & Healthy</i> , Andrew will share his secrets for achieving lasting change with six simple steps to a happier, healthier, more productive you.	Beaumaris Library 96 Reserve Road	3pm to 4pm	Free	(03) 9589 8444