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**THE 2020 BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS**

**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).*

| <b>WINNER</b>       |                                  |                                |               |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Wakefield, Vikki    | This Is How We Change the Ending | Text Publishing                | 9781922268136 |
| <b>HONOUR BOOKS</b> |                                  |                                |               |
| Drews, C.G.         | The Boy Who Steals Houses        | Hachette Australia             | 9781408349922 |
| Fuller, Lisa        | Ghost Bird                       | University of Queensland Press | 9780702260230 |

**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.*

| <b>WINNER</b>                             |                              |                                |               |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Harry, Pip                                | The Little Wave              | University of Queensland Press | 9780702260476 |
| <b>HONOUR BOOKS</b>                       |                              |                                |               |
| Rodda, Emily<br>(illus. by Marc McBride)  | The Glimme                   | Scholastic Australia           | 9781862919570 |
| Wyatt, Edwina (illus. by Katherine Quinn) | The Secrets of Magnolia Moon | Walker Books Australia         | 9781760651541 |

**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.*

| <b>WINNER</b>                             |                            |               |               |
|---|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Watts, Frances<br>(illus. by A. Yi)       | My Friend Fred             | Allen & Unwin | 9781760290948 |
| <b>HONOUR BOOKS</b>                       |                            |               |               |
| Murray, Kirsty<br>(illus. by Karen Blair) | When Billy Was a Dog       | Allen & Unwin | 9781760631826 |
| Wild, Margaret<br>(illus. by Ann James)   | Goodbye House, Hello House | Allen & Unwin | 9781743311103 |

## 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).*

| WINNER                |                 |                        |               |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|
| McKimmie, Chris       | I Need a Parrot | Ford Street Publishing | 9781925804287 |
| HONOUR BOOKS          |                 |                        |               |
| Magerl, Caroline      | Nop             | Walker Books Australia | 9781760651251 |
| King, Stephen Michael | Three           | Scholastic Australia   | 9781760664053 |

## Eve Pownall Award

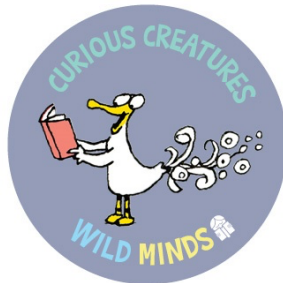
*Entries in this category should be books which have the prime intention of documenting factual material with consideration given to imaginative presentation, interpretation and variation of style. Ages 0-18 years.*

| WINNER  |   |                        |               |
|---|---|------------------------|---------------|
| Pascoe, Bruce   | Young Dark Emu: A Truer History               | Magabala Books         | 9781925360844 |
| HONOUR BOOKS  |   |                        |               |
| Bayly, Sami   | The Illustrated Encyclopaedia of Ugly Animals | Hachette Australia     | 9780734419019 |
| Murphy, Aunty Joy & Kelly, Andrew<br>(illus. by Lisa Kennedy) | Wilam: A Birrarung Story                      | Walker Books Australia | 9781925381764 |

## 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.*

| WINNER           |               |                |               |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Seymour, Jasmine | Baby Business | Magabala Books | 9781925768671 |



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