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## Exclusive For Dummies Promotion!



Brighten up your library and be in the running to win great prizes with *For Dummies*. It's easy!

Participate in the *For Dummies* 2008 Library Display Contest during Dummies Month (1st through to the 31st March) by ordering *For Dummies* books and building a yellow and black Dummies display in your library.

Order a total of 20 units or more of any *For Dummies* titles from the order form to be eligible for extra discounts and to enter the competition. Once you have your display up, take a photo and email or post it in with your entry form, and your library will be in the running to win!

You can build your display using the *For Dummies* books, the *For*

*Dummies* 2008 display pack, or anything yellow or black.

Request an entry form to be sent to you and order your books and display pack by **18th January 2008**. You will then receive your goods in February ready for set-up in March. Materials included in the display pack are:

- Dummies inflatable cube
- Yellow and black streamers and balloons
- Dummies shelf-talkers
- Dummies bookmarks
- Dummies man die-cut hanger
- Dummies posters
- Dummies mini books

**DEADLINE:** All entry forms and photos must be in by the 1st of April

2008.

Use the *For Dummies* 2008 display materials to build an attention-grabbing display with strong visual appeal. Demonstrate your original ideas and creativity for a truly unique display.

Sample images of winners from the US competition will also be provided for inspiration.

Photo entries will be sent to the US Dummies committee, who will select two winners. Two winning libraries will receive Dummies gift items for their staff! In addition, the **GRAND PRIZE WINNER** will receive a selection of 50 Australian *For Dummies* books and the **RUNNER-UP** will receive a selection of 20 Australian *For Dummies* books.

This promotion is open to all James Bennett customers.

For further information or order forms, please contact Tracey Babula on: +61 2 9986 7065 or [tbabula@bennett.com.au](mailto:tbabula@bennett.com.au)

## Libraries Look to New Ministers

New Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announced his Ministry team last Wednesday, with Peter Garrett named as the country's new Arts Minister.

Other appointments significant to the library sector include Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard as Education Minister.

In an unprecedented move, the role of Education Minister is not a stand alone one, with Gillard also in charge of industrial relations and

the new portfolio of social inclusion.

Labor powerbroker Senator John Faulkner will be responsible for the National Archives, Senator Stephen Conroy is Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, while Senator Kim Carr is the new Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research.

Information supplied from *Australian Library News* - December

## Day of Action

The 29th of November saw over 150 librarians and supporters march on NSW Parliament House in protest at the continued funding cuts to Public Libraries in the state.

The aim was to highlight that per capita NSW spends less on Public Libraries than any other state or territory & it continues to decline.

The day was deemed a great success with a "huge amount of press coverage". More events are planned for the festive break.

## Inbooks NEW TRANSLATION OF CLASSIC BIOGRAPHY

### W.A. MOZART

*Hermann Abert; Translated by Stewart Spencer; Edited by Cliff Eisen*

Yale University Press...  
9780300072235...ARP\$71.88...  
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Hermann Abert's classic biography, first published in German more than eighty years ago, remains the most informed and substantial biography of Mozart in any language. This groundbreaking new English translation is both the fullest account of the composer's life and a deeply skilled analysis of his music.

An epic 1600 pages in length, W.A.

Mozart proceeds chronologically from 1756 to 1791. Abert interrogates every aspect of Mozart's life, influences and experience; his personality; his religious and secular dimensions; and the social context of the time.

Abert also provides close scrutiny of the music, including the operas, orchestral work, symphonies and piano concertos, church music and cantatas, and compositions for solo instruments.

Supported by a host of leading Mozart scholars, this immense undertaking at last permits English-language readers access to the most important single source on the life of this great composer.

### Bestselling agency titles for Xmas

**On Deep History and the Brain**  
*Daniel Lord Smail* - 9780520252899  
University of California Press  
ARP\$28.69

**Medieval Cuisine of the Islamic World**  
*Lilia Zaouali & M.B. De-Bevoise* - 9780520247833  
University of California Press  
ARP\$32.95

**Very Special Relativity**  
*Sander Bais* - 9780674026117  
Harvard University Press  
ARP\$27.38

**A Secular Age**  
*Charles Taylor* - 9780674026766  
Harvard University Press  
ARP\$52.45



Translation of major biography on Mozart, now available at Inbooks



An even greater range of electronic resources are now available to you through James Bennett:

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ence)

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For more information or to set up a trial, please contact your Sales Representative today.

## The Place for all Your e-Resources

## Conference Details for 2008

James Bennett will be attending the following **Conferences and Exhibitions** in 2008. We hope to see you there!

### VALA 2008

**Theme:** Libraries/Changing Spaces, Virtual Places  
**Dates:** 5th February - 7th February 2008  
**Venue:** Melbourne Convention Centre, Melbourne VIC  
**Details:** VALA - Libraries, Technology and the Future Inc., aims to promote the use and understanding of information technology as it applies to practitioners in the library and infor-

mation dissemination industries.

**Website:** <http://www.vala.org.au/conf2008.htm>

### ALIA Biennial Conference

**Theme:** Dreaming08  
**Dates:** 2nd September - 5th September 2008  
**Venue:** Alice Springs Convention Centre, Alice Springs NT  
**Details:** The conference theme, dreaming08, will produce a program that empowers library and information professionals in the development, promotion and delivery of quality services in all sectors.  
**Website:** <http://www.alia2008.com/>

[www.alia2008.com/](http://www.alia2008.com/)

### QPLA Conference

**Theme:** TBC  
**Dates:** 19th October - 22nd October 2008  
**Venue:** Bundaberg Convention Centre, Bundaberg QLD  
**Website:** <http://www.qpla.asn.au/>

### LIANZA Conference

**Theme:** Outside the Box  
**Dates:** 2nd November - 5th November 2008  
**Venue:** SkyCity Convention Centre, Auckland NZ  
**Website:** <http://www.lianza.org.nz/>



# Christmas Comes Early for Authors



The Nestlé Children's Book Prize is one of the UK's longest running prizes. 2007 celebrates the 23rd year of the award with these winners: **Gold - 5 years and under:** *When a Monster is Born* - Sean Taylor, Nick Sharratt (9781843623557)  
**Gold - 6 to 8 years**  
 Ottoline and the Yellow Cat - Chris Riddell (9781405050579)  
**Gold - 9 to 11 years**  
 Shadow Forest - Matt Haig (9780370329369)

Closer to home, Australian writers welcomed the announcement of two new literary prizes from the just elected Labor Government.

2008 will see the introduction of two literary prizes worth \$100,000 each, making them the richest prizes in Australia, and following only the International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award and Man Booker Prize on the world stage. They will be awarded for a work of fiction and non-fiction and will be tax free for the recipients.

Details are still being finalised by Arts Minister Peter Garrett but the hope is that these awards will be open to all Australian writers living

either at home or abroad.

The 2008 finalists for the Aurealis Awards have just been announced, with new authors standing side-by-side with established giants in the genres of science fiction, fantasy and horror.

Categories include: Best Science Fiction Novel, Best Fantasy Novel, Best Horror Novel and Best Children's Fiction. Winners will be announced on the 26th January 2008 at the Centre of Contemporary Arts in QLD.

*Jonestown* by Chris Masters (9781741753202), has won the 2007 Walkley Award for nonfiction.

## Entry Details for 2008 Awards:

Entries for the Miles Franklin Literary Award will close on Friday the 14th December 2007

The 2008 Children's Book of the Year entries will close on 31st December 2007

You may now submit entries for the Kathleen Mitchell Award for authors under 30 years. Closing date for the award is 22nd February 2008

Check our website for more details

# What's New Near You for December

Keep an eye out for what's on in the community and industry:

## 1st December - 13th February

ALIA launches their *Summer Reading Club*

## Monday 10th

ALIA Board Meeting, Canberra

## Tuesday 11th

Chanukah in the City, Melbourne

## Wednesday 12th

*Living Library* at the City of Sydney Library - 11am-2pm

## Wednesday 12th

Nestlé Book Winners Announced

## Thursday 13th

4th Annual Twilight Christmas in the Park, East Perth

## Wednesday 19th

Carols for Christmas, WA Youth Chorale, Subiaco

## Friday 21st

James Bennett closes for the Christmas break - 12pm

## Tuesday 25th

Christmas Day

## Wednesday 26th

Boxing Day & Proclamation Day (South Australia)

## Wednesday 26th - Sunday 30th

Boxing Day Test Match MCG, Australia V India

## Monday 31st

New Year's Eve celebrations

## Wednesday 2nd January

James Bennett returns from Christmas holiday break from 8am

To view all author tours throughout

Australia visit:

[www.bennett.com](http://www.bennett.com)

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[author\\_tours.php](http://author_tours.php)



# 2007 Nonfiction Awards

Since 1987, the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission has recognised the often extraordinary contribution to Australian society of a wide variety of men and women committed to issues of human rights, social justice and equality through the annual Human Rights Medal and Awards.

This year the following titles were the stand out for the nonfiction category:

**Winner:** *Alone on the Soaks*

**Author:** A Kruger & G Waterford

**Publisher:** IAD Press 04/2007

**ISBN:** 9781864650785

**Price:** \$29.95

**Description:** Snatched from his mother at three. Institutionalised for seven years. Sent to work at ten. Never paid, barely fed. Alec Kruger, a child of mixed Aboriginal descent, survived the loneliness and bullies of a stolen childhood to become a drover, an army recruit, footy player and a plaintiff in the High Court of Australia.

**H. Commended:** *Journeys with the Black Dog*

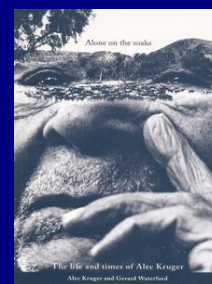
**Author:** ed by T Wigney, K Eysers & G Parker

**Publisher:** Allen & Unwin 06/2007

**ISBN:** 9781741752649

**Price:** \$29.95

**Description:** These autobiographical stories, written by sufferers of depression, lift the lid on this insidious and often silent disease, and chart the journey from first onset to successful management.



**Winner Non-fiction:**  
*Alone on the Soaks*

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Tracey Babula, Marketing Executive

## Our Noticeboard:

### Team Developments:

We would like to advise our customers that Janetta Mascilongo is no longer with James Bennett. Janetta started with us in April 2006 as the Academic/Sales Executive looking after our academic libraries in VIC, as well as all libraries in SA, WA, TAS and NZ. She admirably moved from Adelaide to Melbourne to fulfill the role and continued extensive travel to service our customers and establish and maintain key accounts for our business. Janetta has left to pursue her academic library career in a marketing role and we wish her all the very best in her move and sincerely thank her for her contribution to our company.

In the interim period, please contact the following staff for any enquiries or assistance:

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[nada@bennett.com.au](mailto:nada@bennett.com.au)

### Christmas Closure Details :

We will close at 12pm Friday 21st December 2007 & return from 8am on Wednesday 2nd January 2008. May you all have a safe and wonderful festive break and New Year.

### Charities Benefit from Donations on Behalf of our Customers:

This Christmas season sees more worthy charities receiving a much needed boost as we continue to donate on behalf of our customers in lieu of sending Christmas cards. The charities chosen this year represent those that continue to make a difference to our local and national community and to our surroundings. The charities are listed below and we thank you for your continued support in this initiative.

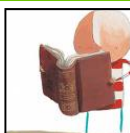


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years



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## Staff Brag or Bin Review



**Name:** Peter Walton

**Position:** Sales Consultant - All NT Libraries

### Peter Bragged About:

[The Unknown Terrorist by Richard Flanagan](#)

You turn on the telly, and there you are, a pole dancer, now the most wanted terrorist in Australia. Nowadays, you're either paranoid or not; Big Brother's out to get you, or he's a figment of deranged minds. I tend towards the former, but with the belief that general incompetence will mitigate against them realising their dream. Rather than Flanagan's story being pure fiction, it is all too real in the world we now live in - just think Dr Haneef, Vivian Solon, even Cat Stevens (& even Ted Kennedy!). There is also the incident of a man quietly reading this book in a pub being asked to leave by security guards because he was upsetting the other patrons. I'm not making this up. Brilliant, disturbing read.

### Peter Binned:

[An Accidental Terrorist by Stephen Lang](#)

Winner of the 2004 QLD Premier's Literary Award - Best Emerging Author; published by UQ Press. So far so good. But I was disappointed. The premise is this: a young man's return to his home town, meets attractive girl, gets in with a strange mob of people, stuff happens. For me, the story didn't really go anywhere, even though the ingredients for a good tale were available.

## Lounging with a Librarian



**Librarian:** Jenny Ackroyd

**Position:** Manager Adult

**Library:** Darebin Libraries

**Background / Education:** Bachelor of Social Science (Librarianship) - RMIT.

**Your First Job:** The joys of bibliographic verification as Acquisitions Officer at RMIT Central Library and running the Student Nurses' Library at the now defunct Preston & Northcote Community Hospital. Then, after setting Europe on fire on an 8 month holiday, I got my first full-time job as Assistant Librarian at the Rosanna Branch of Yarra Plenty Regional Library Service. A short stint at WorkCare as a Records Management Officer and then back to public libraries at Darebin.

**Career Highlight:** Finding that library work is so interesting and varied, that I made the right decision when I was 14 to be a librarian.

**Your Favourite Book:** *Dune* by Frank Herbert. A classic science fiction novel. Check this out for a tag cloud -

politics, religion, ecology, water, drugs, loyalty, honour, desert, sand worms, messiah, philosophy, space opera, diplomacy, passion, sacrifice, duty, legend.

**What Trait Do You Dislike:** Thinking that statistics are more important than the human factor.

**Your Daily Mantra:** Can I tempt that customer to take out that book? What a buzz when they come back and say it was a "top read"!

**Who would you love to have dinner with:** Neil Gaiman (again!)

**What changes can you see for Libraries over the next 5 years:** RFID / Downloadable audio visual / Libraries as



transit stations to connect our customers with new technologies to find the information they want. **Thanks Jenny**