



## **The *Kill Your Darlings* Unpublished Manuscript Award 2017 Submission Guidelines**

1. To enter you must be an Australian resident.
2. You must have a current *Kill Your Darlings* subscription/membership at time of submission. To subscribe from as little as \$14.95, please visit [here](#).
3. You must be 18 years of age or over at time of submission.
4. You must be an unpublished writer. (Publication in the form of academic or scholarly reference book or conference proceedings, literary journal, short-story anthology does not disqualify you from entering). If you have previously self-published, your entry must be a new, unpublished work.
5. Writers who have had a full-length work published by a commercial publishing house cannot be considered.
6. The work submitted must be either a work of adult fiction or adult narrative non-fiction (poetry, plays, practical non-fiction or works for young adult and children are not eligible).
7. Submissions close at 5pm (AEST) Friday 31 March 2017. Entries submitted after the closing date will not be considered.
8. Entries must be submitted using the *Kill Your Darlings* Unpublished Manuscript Award Submission page, found on our website.
9. Entries must comprise the manuscript, (minimum word length 40,000 words, maximum word length 80,000 words), a synopsis, and a one-page document detailing how the writer will benefit from winning the award.
10. Entries must be submitted as one single PDF, set up as an A4 double-spaced document in 12 pt Roman font with 3cm margins and page numbers on each page.
11. Only one entry per person will be accepted.





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12. The decision of the judges is final. The judges will not enter into any correspondence and no individual feedback will be provided to entrants.
13. By submitting your entry you agree to the Award Terms & Conditions.





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### **Terms and Conditions**

1. The Submission Guidelines form part of the Terms & Conditions.
2. By entering The *KYD* Unpublished Manuscript Award you agree for your contact information to be included in Kill Your Darlings Pty Ltd (“Kill Your Darlings”) marketing database and agree to receive enews, email and communication from Kill Your Darlings. You may remove your email from the database at any time by selecting ‘Unsubscribe’ on any enews and following the prompts.
3. You warrant that your entry is your own original work and does not infringe any existing copyright or licence any third party rights.
4. You warrant that your entry is not defamatory and that it does not invade any individual’s right to privacy.
5. You warrant that all statements made in your entry purporting to be facts are true and able to be substantiated.
6. You warrant that your entry does not contain material in breach of any confidentiality agreements or any other law.
7. You warrant that: a. you have full power to enter the *KYD* Unpublished Manuscript Award; and b. you are the sole author and owner of all the copyright in your entry; and c. the material entered has not been previously licenced for exclusive use in any form in any territory.
8. The copyright in your entry shall remain your intellectual property, and your moral rights as a creator will be recognised and respected.
9. By entering, you grant Kill Your Darlings Pty Ltd (“Kill Your Darlings”) permission to use all or any part of your entry for the purpose of announcing or promoting you as either a shortlisted or winning entrant, or to promote the Award itself.





10. If your entry wins: a. you grant Kill Your Darlings permission to publish and extract of up to 5,000 words on the Kill Your Darlings' website; b. you agree to work in good faith with Kill Your Darlings to ensure the extract is of publishable standard.
11. If the judges believe that there are two works of equal merit they reserve the right to divide the prize money equally. In this instance, Kill Your Darlings will provide a mentorship program to both winners.
12. The judges may decide not to award the Award if they do not believe any of the entries are of a high enough standard.
13. The shortlist will be announced on the Kill Your Darlings website, and shortlisted entrants will be notified that they have been shortlisted by COB 1 June 2017 (AEST).
14. The winner will be announced on 3 July 2017.
15. The winner agrees to take part in events and media activities to promote the *KYD* Unpublished Manuscript Award.
16. Shortlisted entrants also agree to take part in events and media activities to promote the *KYD* Unpublished Manuscript Award.
17. If an entrant's work is the winner of any other prize, or is accepted for publication or self-published prior to the announcement of the *KYD* Unpublished Manuscript Award, the entrant must notify Kill Your Darlings in writing immediately, and their work will be ineligible for the Award and withdrawn from the judging process.

