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.

*Note: Books in this category are for mature readers and some may deal with particularly challenging themes including violence and suicide. Parental guidance is recommended.*

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| **Author** | **Title** | **ISBN** | **Publisher** |
| Lili Wilkinson | A Hunger of Thorns | 9781760526948 | A & U Children |
| Karen Comer | Grace Notes | 9780734421722 | Lothian Children’s Books |
| Suzy Zail | Inkflower | 9781760653736 | Walker Books Australia |
| Megan Williams | Let's Never Speak of This Again | 9781922790392 | Text Publishing |
| Helena Fox | The Quiet and the Loud | 9781760983024 | Pan Macmillan Australia |
| Leanne Yong | Two Can Play That Game | 9781761063374 | A & U Children |

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. 7-12 years.

*Note: Some of the titles in this category may only be suitable for readers who are in the upper primary years as they contain mature themes, including violence. Parental guidance is recommended.*

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| **Author** | | | **Illustrator** | | | **Title** | | **ISBN** | | | **Publisher** | |
| Fiona Lloyd | |  | | Being Jimmy Baxter | | | 9781760148515 | | Penguin Random House Australia | | |
| H. Hayek | |  | | Huda Was Here | | | 9781761068430 | | A & U Children | | |
| Andrew McDonald | | Ben Wood | | Real Pigeons Flap Out | | | 9781761211546 | | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | | |
| Tristan Bancks | |  | | Scar Town | | | 9780143791812 | | Penguin Random House Australia | | |
| Dianne Wolfer | Tony Flowers | | | | Scout and the Rescue Dogs | | | 9781760655860 | | Walker Books Australia | | |
| Samera Kamaleddine | |  | | The Sideways Orbit of Evie Hart | | | 9781460762653 | | HarperCollins Publishers | | |

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.

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| **Author** | **Illustrator** | **Title** | **ISBN** | **Publisher** |
| Sue deGennaro |  | Bear & Duck are Friends | 9781761210327 | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing |
| Jane Godwin | Terry Denton | Can You Teach a Fish to Climb a Tree? | 9781760508661 | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing |
| Caz Goodwin | Pip Kruger | Grace and Mr Milligan | 9789815009811 | Marshall Cavendish International |
| Briony Stewart |  | Gymnastica Fantastica! | 9780734421852 | Lothian Children’s Books |
| Katrina Germein | Danny Snell | One Little Duck | 9781460761649 | HarperCollins Publishers |
| Bob Graham |  | The Concrete Garden | 9781529512649 | Walker Books Australia |

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).

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| **Illustrator** | **Author** | **Title** | **ISBN** | **Publisher** |
| Aura Parker |  | Bowerbird Blues | 9781760269609 | Scholastic Australia |
| Peter Cheong |  | Every Night at Midnight | 9781922992383 | Affirm Press |
| Sophie Blackall |  | If I Was a Horse | 9780734422712 | Lothian Children’s Books |
| Mateja Jager | Margrete Lamond | Paper-flower Girl | 9780645352399 | Dirt Lane Press |
| Ronojoy Ghosh & Niharika Hukku | Kate Temple & Jol Temple | That Bird Has Arms | 9781761210310 | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing |
| Kelly Canby |  | Timeless | 9781760992323 | Fremantle Press |

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.  
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| Jess Racklyeft | | Australia: Country of Colour | | | | 9781922863881 | | | | Affirm Press | |
| Isolde Martyn & Robyn Ridgeway | Louise Hogan | | Country Town | | 9781922696342 | | | | Ford Street Publishing | | | |
| Dan Marshall | | | Eww Gross: Foul Facts and Putrid Pictures | 9780645624564 | | | | Pantera Press | | | | |
| Mark Greenwood | Frané Lessac | | Our Country: Where History Happened | | 9781760653576 | | | | Walker Books Australia | | | |
| Violet Wadrill, Topsy Dodd Ngarnjal, Leah Leaman, Cecelia Edwards, Cassandra Algy, Felicity Meakins, Briony Barr, Gregory Crocetti | | | Tamarra | 9781741178302 | | | | Hardie Grant Explore | | | | |
| Corey Tutt | Molly Hunt | | This Book Thinks Ya Deadly! | | 9781741178159 | | | | Hardie Grant Explore | | | |

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| **Illustrator** | **Author** | **Title** | **ISBN** | **Publisher** |
| Jeremy Worrall | Jared Field | Etta and the Shadow Taboo | 9781760509798 | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing |
| Pip Kruger | Caz Goodwin | Grace and Mr Milligan | 9789815009811 | Marshall Cavendish International |
| Erica Wagner | Johanna Bell | Hope is the Thing | 9781761180026 | A & U Children |
| Kim Drane | Kathy Weeden | Phonobet | 9781922507471 | NLA Publishing |
| Michelle Conn | Charlie Archbold | Raised by Moths | 9781922858184 | MidnightSun Publishing |
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