

Laura Literary Award Winners List for 2018

Section 1 Open Prose

Winner

“Abandonment” by Leonie Crowden, Launceston Tas

Highly Commended

“Broken Journeys” by David Vernon, Hall ACT

“A Taste for Gecko” by Ashley Keeling, Broadmeadows NSW

Commended

“Lacking in Love” by Colleen Russell, Avalon Beach NSW

“Conversations with an Outhouse” by Graham McDonald, Denmark WA

Section 2 Young Adult Prose

Winner

“Ink” by Kodi Sawtell (16yrs) Coochin, NSW

Highly Commended

“Her Name is Hope” by Kodi Sawtell (16yrs) Coochin NSW

Commended

“The Escort” by Emily Mannix (17yrs) Strathdale Vic

“The Trouble with Boat People” by Jessamine Foley-Tassicker (17yrs)
Queanbeyan NSW

Section 3 Primary Prose

Winner

“The Underground” by Phoenix Pan (9yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory
School, Wahroonga NSW

Highly Commended

“Last Breath” by Natasha Sadedin (11yrs) Napperby Primary School, SA

“The Wicked Witch Express” by Lily Grimes (11yrs) Ormeau Hills, Qld

Commended

“The Wergils” by Sam Jenkins (9yrs) West Pymble NSW

“The Stolen Star Sign” by Lillie Shepherdson (12yrs) Laura Primary School

Section 4 Junior Primary Prose

Winner

“The Red Diamond of Rio” by Thomas Liddell (8yrs), Knox Grammar
Preparatory School Wahroonga NSW

Highly Commended

“Vampire” by Eleni Chapman (8yrs) Ascot, WA

“Witch Monday and the Aliens” by Neiva Webb (6yrs), Athelstone SA

Commended

“My Pet fish” by Max Wang (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

“The Boy Who Cried Monster” by Cedar Robinson (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

Special Mention

“The Legends of Super Cat” by Tom Hogg (6yrs), South Melbourne, Vic

Section 5 Open Poetry

Winner

“Shadowfall” by Jacqueline Trott, Mudgee NSW

Highly commended

“Drover’s Dawn” by Jim Kent, Port Fairy Vic

“Coming Home” by Jim Kent, Port Fairy Vic

Commended

“Crimes of Youth” by David Watt, Wanniasa ACT

“Summer Day in Leonora” by Peter O’Shaughnessy, Eaton WA

Section 6 Bush Poetry

Winner

“Pappinbarra Burning” by Tom McIlveen, Port Macquarie NSW

Highly Commended

“Baa-baa Joe” by Frank Heffernan, Narrogin WA

“Farewell” by David Campbell, Aireys Inlet Vic

Commended

“Looking back” by Terry Piggott, Lynwood WA

“Bushfire” by Neil Mumford, Port Pirie SA

Section 7 Young Adult Poetry

Winner

“Oppression” by Lucinda Jackson (14yrs) Tweed Heads West, NSW

Highly commended

“Verge of Maybe” by Jessica Brown (14yrs) St Ives NSW

“Our Final Farewells” by Lily Webster (13yrs) Caves Beach NSW

Commended

“Dear Grandpa” by Kate Case (15yrs) Orroroo SA

Section 8

Winner

“The Life of Candles” by Nysa Gajjar (11yrs) North Sydney NSW

Highly Commended

“Australian Soldier; My Heritage” by Alana Yearby (10yrs) Mount Kiera NSW

“Life” by Max Mitchell (9yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga NSW

Commended

“A Magic Only Stories Will Bring” by Amara Steele (9yrs) Splitters Creek, NSW

“Scuttles the Crab” by Jing Quan Chong (10yrs) Leeming WA

Section 9

Winner

“Total Immersion” by Cedar Robinson (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

Highly Commended

“Stolen Generation” by Harry Yu (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

“Insects” by Ethan Ma (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

Commended

“My Best Friend” by Derek Zhu (8yrs) Knox Grammar Preparatory School, Wahroonga, NSW

“My Wild Crazy Nana” by Riley Wooster (7yrs) Shepparton Vic