

**Welcome to the October 2009 Edition 27 of the Online Newsletter for The Australian Storytelling Guild (NSW) Inc.**

## Guild News

**On Saturday 19 September**, we welcomed past President Peter Dargin, and Past Treasurer Pat Dargin all the way from Dubbo; it was great to meet up again. Also, coming from even further afield, our foreign correspondent Ian Henry, back in Sydney for the sad occasion of his Uncle's funeral. We also welcomed four new faces, Jeff, Sister Patricia Leyton, Annalie Killian and Gwyneth Tryant.

**Eve Hofstetter's Story Heart workshop** did just that, touched the heart of all those attending, and everyone came away having learnt many important elements about storytelling.

**Ebba Bodame** received her Certificate of Accreditation, and the morning's Story Circle was most helpful to those seeking feedback for their stories.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our member **Donna Jacobs Sife** on being chosen to receive the prestigious "Living for Others Award"

If you would like to be present at this important occasion, ring 0408 294 154 and book under the name of Maryla Rose. Tickets for dinner and entertainment are \$40 each. Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2009 6pm at Dooley's Catholic Club, Lidcombe.

### **Saturday 14 November 10-4pm GUILD Meeting**

Metaphors in Fairy Tales with **Ebba Bodame** and Write your own Fairy Tale with **Sue Alvarez**; NSW Writers Centre. Callan Park Rozelle. Because Workbooks will be used for this course bookings are essential; phone Sue on 9977 0331 or email [suestory@tpg.com.au](mailto:suestory@tpg.com.au) to reserve your place. \$25 members. \$35 non members \$30 conc. BYO lunch

### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2009 2-4pm**

Tellers Tea at the Hughenden Arts Hotel 14 Queen St. Woollahra  
*Of Shades and Shadows and Sinister Doings*

Featuring **Mary French and Jo Henwood**

PLUS OPEN MIC

Costs: \$20 (no conc.) includes Devonshire Tea.

Doors open 1.30pm

### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2009 2pm**

Regional Story Circle

The Guild's country representative Eve Hoffstetter is starting up a group on the South Coast who'll meet monthly, firstly in Bega and perhaps in Moruya the next. For more details contact Eve at [evitaoz@gmail.com](mailto:evitaoz@gmail.com)

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2009 11.30am-3pm**

Crave Festival Parramatta Park Daisy Cottage and Garden  
Storytelling by Guild members. All are welcome.

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009 10.45am-1.30pm**

Kids Day Out. Uni of Newcastle at Ourimbah, Central Coast  
Cross-cultural Storytelling in the library. Two Accredited professional storytellers and five talented young performers from the Aboriginal dance group Minni Minning Kaiwarrine will bring to life traditional stories from South-East Asia. Suitable for the entire family.

### **Sunday 8 November 09 2.30-5.00pm**

560 New South Head Road, Double Bay  
Fund raising for the Australian Ballet.  
Medieval stories for adults. SOLD OUT.

### **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2009 8pm**

Storycafe nights Ross St, Glenbrook at The Blue-Tongued Lizard Café  
An evening of poetry, song and story, well-attended by Blue Mountain residents. Call to make a table booking 4739 1364.

## 2010 Programmes

Great response for workshop suggestions! Thank you all.

Your ideas include; Telling Aboriginal Stories with Darkinjung Elder Ray McMinn. Spontaneous Storytelling, with Christine Carlton, Annie Eyers "From the Shadows" workshop Camp Fire Storytelling, Secret Women's Storytelling Workshop with Eve Hofstetter, Secret Men's Storytelling Workshop with male Storyteller. Accessing community Stories with John Hockney

Singing and Storytelling with Karen Smith  
Workshops with Children In service workshops for Teachers and Librarians, Voice production workshop, Art and Storytelling.

These suggestions will be discussed at the next Action Group meeting on 18 October 09.

### **Tellers Teas at the Hughenden**

If you are interested in being a Featured Teller next year, email Sue at [suestory@tpg.com.au](mailto:suestory@tpg.com.au) who will send you the "Tellers Tea Information Sheet".

### **Call for Artist Applications**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Perisher Snowy Mountains of Music is on from 11-14 June 2010, presented by Perisher Resorts Chamber of Commerce. Applications close Nov 30<sup>th</sup>.

[www.snowymountainsofmusic.com.au](http://www.snowymountainsofmusic.com.au)

### **Visiting Overseas Storytellers**

We are delighted to announce that two world famous Aussie Storytellers are coming to Australia from mid-December to end March.

**Francis Firebrace**, ex member, who now lives in UK and **Adrian Beckingham**, ex pat Australian who also lives in UK.

Check out their websites;

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

[www.themanfromstorymountain.org.uk/](http://www.themanfromstorymountain.org.uk/)

Watch this space for further announcements.

### **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2009 10am - 1pm NSW Writers Centre**

Storytelling with Anna Conomos UK's 2005 Young Storyteller of the Year: This course will give you the key skills required to tell a good story. You will explore plot, structure, visualization techniques, characterization, and have a lot of fun! No prior storytelling experience necessary. This course organised by the NSW Writers Centre. Costs; Writers Centre members \$60, Concession members, \$50 Non-members \$90 [www.nswwriterscentre.org.au](http://www.nswwriterscentre.org.au)

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2009 2-4pm**

Tellers Tea at the Hughenden with Anna Conomos. UK's 2005 Young Storyteller of the Year (category 15-25 years) Tickets at door \$25 no. conc.