# Australian Young **Writers' Project**

1985 has been declared International Youth Year by the United Nations and Australia is in the forefront of promoting the interests of youth; the Australian Young Writers' Project is intended to encourage their creativity.

The International Youth Year National Secretariat. Penguin Books Australia. The Literature Board of the Australia Council and the ABC have combined efforts to create a national award open to everyone under the age of 25 to write short stories, poems or scripts to become part of three separate media projects.

Penguin Books will publish a selection of successful entries as an anthology. ABC Radio will adapt successful submissions into radio plays. ABC Television will convert as many as five of the successful stories into half hour television dramas.

The three principal thrusts of IYY are participation, development and peace and it is loosely around these three themes that entries should be focused.

The Australian Young Writers' Project is the first major event of this nature to be launched for International Youth Year. It is hoped that it will form the basis for a continuing programme, the spirit of International Youth Year being seen as the beginning and not the end of such activities.

Details of the conditions of entry are available from Australian Young Writers' Project, at GPO Box 9994, Sydney NSW 2001, (02) 437 9111.

#### **DLIS Retirement dinner**

A great deal of thought and originality went into the design of invitations to the farewell dinner at the retirement of Andre Mali, Maxine Walker and Inge Zoll in May, each invitation having particular relevance to the individuals concerned.

Between them, the retiring librarians had 100 years of teaching experience, 31 of those years to the Department of Library and Information Services.

The occasion was very well attended and Don Watts, the Director of WAIT thanked the three librarians for their outstanding contribution to the profession.

### FILMS AVAILABLE

The Sydney Filmmakers Co-op has added two short Australian narrative films, Stations and Devrim, to its collection. The Co-op houses Australia's largest collection of independently produced films and videos which it sells and hires to over 10,000 educational institutions, community groups, political organisations and government departments throughout Australia.

Stations, starring Noni Hazelhurst, is an award-winning film by Jackie McKimmie and one of the few films to show with a feature in a mainstream cinema, accompanying acclaimed Australian film Careful He Might Hear You during its season.

Devrim is about a young Turkish woman who finds herself in an impossible marriage. This film explores her dilemmas, her conditioning both as a migrant and as a woman, and looks at how she eventually deals with these. Devrim is told from a migrant woman's perspective having been written, produced and directed by the Migrant Women's Film Group and is the first film of its kind.

For more information or a preview of these films, please contact Jennifer Stott on (02) 660 8999.



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#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Election of TWO members by the membership of the Association

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Membership of the Board of Education is as follows:

- three professional members elected by the Professional Committee of General Council;
- seven members, of whom at least four must be professional members, elected by the membership-at-large of the Association;
- the President of the Association ex officio;
- the Executive Director as a non-voting executive member. (By-law 24)

The terms of office of three members of the Board end on 30 April 1986. Two members are now to be elected by the membership of the Association to hold office until 30 April 1989. The Professional Committee of General Council will elect the third member

Nominations are hereby called for the two positions. Nominees must be financial members of the Association. They need not be professional members, however to comply with By-law 24 at least one of the two members elected must be professional members.

Nominations shall be

- in writing;
- signed by two financial members of the Association;
- countersigned by the nominee;
- accompanied by a curriculum vitae (giving full details of academic and professional qualifications) and a statement of concerns, each to be not more than 100 words.

Nominations close with the Executive Director, Library Association of Australia, 376 Jones Street, Ultimo NSW 2007 at 5 pm on 1 September 1985.

Board members retiring on 30 April 1986 are Marianne Broadbent, Denis Richardson and Eric Wainwright. They are eligible for re-election.

Other members of the Board are Mairead Browne, Gael Fraser, Jeanette Knox, Moira MacKinnon, Michael Middleton, Edward Parr and Janette Wright.

Jenny Adams **Executive Director** 



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