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Aspiring Writers Program Terms and Conditions

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1. The CBCA NSW Branch Inc Aspiring Writers Mentorship Program is a mentorship only.
2. The program is open to all Australian citizens residing in Australia.
3. The open date for entries is 1 July, 2024. The closing date for entries is 2 September, 2024. Entries received after the closing date will not be considered.
4. Entrants must not be a published writer of a picture book, poem, fiction, non-fiction book/s, or play script published by a commercial publisher or under contract with a commercial publisher, or self-published.
5. Manuscripts entered **MUST NOT** be previously published.
Published is defined as: published online; self-published; under contract for publication; published by a commercial company;
6. Manuscripts entered must be the entrant's own work and must be in English.
7. Previous Frustrated/Aspiring Writers Mentorship **winner**s may not re-enter. Previous Shortlisted entrants may re-enter and submit a new or revised manuscript/s.
8. Only full manuscripts will be accepted. Entrants **MUST NOT** put their name or contact details anywhere in the manuscript or it will be automatically disqualified.
9. Entrants must upload the **entry form found on CBCA NSW Branch Inc website**. This form includes provision for the **2024 support document & manuscript to be uploaded**.
The files uploaded in this form should be saved in the following format:
the manuscript: man_ your initials_title eg **man_GE_The Story of a Dog**
the support form: sup_ your initials eg **sup_GE**
If submitting multiple manuscripts, one entry form per manuscript needs to be completed.
11. Manuscripts will not be returned.
12. Manuscripts will be blind judged.
13. The Shortlist and Winner will be announced by CBCA NSW Branch Inc as part of the Aspire & Celebrate end of year event.
14. **The Winner** receives the **Cottesloe Mentorship** which consists of 5 hours with Cathie Tasker (face to face) and the Charlotte Waring Certificate. No accommodation or travel forms part of this prize.
15. The 2 Shortlisted authors will each receive a copy of *How to be an author* by Georgia Richter & Deborah Hunn plus access to *The Business of Being a Writer Seminar* provided by Fremantle Press.
16. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. No individual feedback or comments will be given.
17. The CBCA NSW Branch Inc reserves the right not to award a mentorship at the judges' discretion. Copies of all documents and information to assist the entry process which are mentioned in the above terms and conditions can be found on the CBCA NSW Branch Inc website under the [Aspiring Writers Mentorship Program tab](#). Please retain a copy of the 2024 Terms & Conditions.