

Ashton Wylie Charitable Trust Book Award 2017

Criteria

1. Aim of the Award

- 1.1 The purpose of this annual award is to reward excellence for a published book in the Mind Body Spirit genre.
- 1.2 For the purposes of this award, the definition of 'Mind Body Spirit' is that which encompasses a wide range of beliefs and has higher consciousness, expanded awareness and greater enlightenment as its goals.

2. The Award

- 2.1 A single award of \$10,000 will be given to the author of a published book in the Mind Body Spirit genre. Merit prizes may be given at the discretion of the judges.
- 2.2 Entries to be adult fiction, non-fiction or poetry.
- 2.3 The books submitted may be published by a publishing house or be self-published.
- 2.4 The shortlisted authors will be notified in mid July 2017 and the award will be presented to the winner at a ceremony in Auckland at Hopetoun Alpha on 18 August 2017.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 To qualify books must be published between 1 April 2016 and 31 March 2017.
- 3.2 Books must contain 48 pages or more. A printed and bound version of an e-book (which has a print ISBN) is eligible.
- 3.3 The author must be a New Zealand citizen (or a permanent New Zealand resident), living full-time in New Zealand – a current NZ IRD number to be provided as proof of residence.
- 3.4 The manuscript for the book may not have won the Ashton Wylie Unpublished Manuscript Award.
- 3.5 A publication that has been shortlisted in any previous Ashton Wylie Book Award may not be entered as a new, reprinted version.
- 3.6 Compilations or anthologies are acceptable, but all primary contributors must be New Zealand authors. Shorter pieces from other writers should make up no more than 5% of the text.
- 3.7 Books that have previously been entered to the award and have since been revised, must comprise 50% new material.

4. Conditions of Entry

- 4.1 Books must be submitted by 31 March 2017. Submissions after that date will not be considered.
- 4.2 It is assumed that all books submitted by publishers have been entered with the knowledge and agreement of the authors.
- 4.3 An entry fee of \$20 (including GST) must accompany each submission.
- 4.4 The publisher of the winning book must ensure that books supplied to bookstores carry the 'winner' sticker.

- 4.5 If in the opinion of the judging panel no entry is worthy of the award it will not be given.
- 4.6 The decision of the judging panel is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 4.7 Short listed authors and their publishers must attend the awards ceremony at Hopetoun Alpha, Auckland on 18 August 2017.

5. Judging Panel

- 5.1 The judging panel will consist of three people.

6. General Judging Criteria

- 6.1 The main purpose of this award is to reward excellence in authorship.
- 6.2 Judges will also consider each book as a whole. Attention will be given to the integration of all the elements including:
- i. Authorship;
 - ii. Production values – illustration and graphics, jacket design, general book design, typography, and editing.
- 6.3 Books must be compatible with the values expressed in the definition in 1.2 above.
- 6.4 Consideration will be given to the work's ability to educate, uplift and enhance society.
- 6.5 The book will be a significant addition to the Mind Body Spirit genre.

7. How to Enter

- 7.1 Entries will be accepted from 15 January 2017 and will close on the 31 March 2017.
- 7.2 Please read the eligibility criteria and conditions of entry carefully before submitting.
- 7.3 Complete one copy of the entry form including the eligibility checklist for each title you wish to submit.
- 7.4 Please ensure your entry fee accompanies your entry form. **Cheques payable to: Ashton Wylie Charitable Trust. Direct payments - BNZ 020192 0476790 00 – use “Book Awards” and your name as a reference.**
- 7.5 Entrants must send in (4) copies of each title submitted.
- 7.6 For publicity purposes, all entrants are required to supply:
- a short bio
 - high resolution (at least 1MB) JPEG photograph of the book cover
 - high resolution (at least 1MB) photograph of the author.
- 7.7 Submitted books become the property of the awards committee and the administrators.
- 7.8 Please send your entry to:

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