



16th Annual Scarlet Stiletto Awards

2009 Women's Crime & Mystery Short Story Competition

Story length: 5000 words max. Entry: \$10 Closing date: August 31, 2009.
Judges: National Convenors, Sisters in Crime.

- **HarperCollins Publishers 1st Prize: \$750**
Plus the coveted Scarlet Stiletto Trophy donated by Sally Browne.
- **KILL CITY 2nd Prize: \$400**
- **READINGS 3rd Prize: \$300 (Voucher)**
- **ALLEN & UNWIN Young Writers Award: \$400**
- **THE OLVAR WOOD Late Starters Award (50+)**
\$650 Weekend Package at Olvar Wood Writers Retreat
(Winner responsible for own airfare to Queensland if from outside state.)
- **THE KERRY GREENWOOD Malice Domestic Award: \$500**
- **THE CATE KENNEDY Award for Best New Talent: \$350**
- **THE DOROTHY PORTER Award for Innovation: \$300**
- **BENN'S BOOKS Best Investigative Award: \$200**
- **SCRIPTWORKS Great Film Idea Award: \$200**
- **PULP FICTION Funniest Crime Award: \$150 (Voucher)**

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For further information: Scarlet Stiletto Awards, PO Box 121, Bittern, Vic 3918.
www.vicnet.net.au/~sincoz/ Or call Carmel Shute: 0412 569 356

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All entries are to be original and unpublished works of the author.

The competition is open to women residents in Australia.

The Allen & Unwin Young Writer's Award is open only to women 18 years and under.. **Proof of age should accompany the entry.**

Olvar Wood Late Starters Award (50+) is open only to women aged 50+. **Proof of age should accompany the entry.**

The short stories must contain an active woman protagonist and a crime/mystery theme.

There is a maximum of two entries per author.

The short stories can have a maximum of 5000 words. No minimum applies.

Each story should be accompanied by a **\$10 entry fee.**

Authors are required to present two copies of each entered story.

Text should be doubled-spaced (1.5), printed on one side of A4 paper, and stapled.

Name, address, telephone numbers and email should be given on a **separate** cover page, to be detached after registration. Use only the page number and/or story title as a page tag.

Do not put your name on any page other than the cover page.

Indicate clearly the relevant section(s) of entry. Stories can be entered in more than one category, at no extra cost. (e.g. General *and* malice domestic.)

Entries will not be returned.

Sisters in Crime Australia reserves the right to retain copies of the short-listed stories for purposes of reproduction. Copyright remains with the author.

Judges for the Scarlet Stiletto are the National Convenors of Sisters in Crime Australia *and* previous two-time winners of the Award.

National Sisters in Crime Convenors and judges are ineligible to enter.

The judges' decision is final. The judges reserve the right not to award a prize in any category.

Winners will be announced at the Sisters in Crime Scarlet Stiletto Award ceremony in Melbourne on Friday November 27, 8pm, Bell's Hotel, 157 Moray Street, South Melbourne.



2009 REGISTRATION FORM

Send one copy of completed form plus \$10 entry fee with 2 copies of each story to:

2009 Scarlet Stiletto Awards, PO Box 121, Bittern 3918 (note changed address)

Name

Address

Phone

Email

Title of Entry

CATEGORY: General Malice Domestic Innovation Young Writer (under 21)

Best investigative story Funniest Crime Late Starter (50+)

Best new talent (have not won a Scarlet Stiletto Award in any category before or had novel published)

Age: _____