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IP PICKS 2010 – CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. You must be a Citizen or a Permanent Resident of **Australia** or **New Zealand** to enter.
2. There are **four** open categories for book-length manuscripts written for adults and **One** open category for junior books:
 - Best Poetry Collection
 - Best Fiction (up to 80,000 words)
 - Best Creative Non-fiction [up to 80,000 words]
 - Best Junior Fiction or Non-fiction [up to 60,000 words]
 - Best First Book [any genre; up to 80,000 words]
3. Manuscripts must be **original, unpublished and not on offer to another publisher** from the date of submission to IP Picks until 1 March 2010. However you are free to submit portions from the ms to magazines, newspapers or broadcast outlets at any time.
4. **You may enter the same manuscript in two categories**, i.e. a short story collection, which is your first book, could be entered in Best Fiction as well as Best First Book. You have to pay two entry fees to do so.
5. First prize in each category will be offered royalty publication in 2010–11 by one of IP's imprints (Interactive Press, Glass House Books, IP Kidz or IP Digital), plus free mentoring advice. All Highly Commended entries will be awarded a free Short Report on the manuscript's strengths and will be considered for publication (no guarantee). By entering the competition, you offer IP first right of refusal to publish your work under normal royalty arrangements.
6. Entries must be typed or word-processed double-spaced on single-sided A4. All pages must be numbered and be identified by a pseudonym (fictitious name). In a separate envelope include your completed entry form and your entry fee.
7. **Two** hard copies and one digital copy **saved as a single file** (Word for Windows or Mac preferred) per entrant are required. If the same entry is submitted to two categories, no extra copies are required. Entries will not be returned, but the results will be published in the first issue of [IP eNews](#) in 2010 and circulated to the media and state writers' centers by 1 March 2010. IP will not respond to enquiries from entrants about the status of their submission before the public release date.
8. Entries must be accompanied by a **cheque or money order for AU\$66** (GST-inclusive) made out to Interactive Publications Pty Ltd. Included in this reading fee

is your choice of one IP title, postage & handling included. Please note that only titles published by IP can be ordered (we distribute on behalf of non-IP authors as well). Refer to our online catalogue at ipoz.biz/Store/Store.htm and indicate your choice of title on your entry form. You may choose from any IP print or digital title listed in the catalogue.

9. You have the **option** to request a Reader's Report at a discount on the strengths and weaknesses of your submission **at the time you submit your entry**. The normal fee for a Reader's Report is \$249, but you can request one with your entry for the reduced price of \$199 (\$169 concession, with proof of status). This will give you a 2-4 page report on the strengths and weaknesses of your submission. Note that there is no guarantee of publication for Highly Commended or Commended entrants.

10. The decision of the judges will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. Entries will not be returned. IP reserves the right not to offer an award if, in the view of the judges, none of the entries is of publishable standard.

11. Entries must be post-marked on or before 1 December 2009 to:
IP Picks 2010
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ENTRY FORM: IP PICKS 2010

Your Name [in block letters]

Manuscript Title

Category Entered

Pseudonym on Ms

Your Address

Suburb/Town postal code

work phone home phone

email

I have read the Conditions of Entry and agree to them. I understand that, if I am awarded a prize and subsequently found to be ineligible, I may be required to pay any costs IP may have incurred in preparing the work for publication.

I have enclosed a cheque or money order for **\$66** per category to cover the Reading Fee, which includes my choice of a free Interactive Press, Glass House Books, IP Kidz or IP Digital title. [For an **additional** fee of **\$199** (must be enclosed) you can obtain a 2-4 page Reader's Report on the strengths and weaknesses of your entry.]

Signature

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if you are under 18)

IP Title Ordered