

# Roly Sussex Short Story Competition 2024



This competition is named after long-time English-Speaking Union (Qld) member and its immediate past President Roly Sussex, Emeritus Professor of Applied Language Studies at The University of Queensland, and a leading champion of language and languages in Australia. His weekly ABC Radio program “A Word in Your Ear” has been running for 26 years. This prized literary award was launched in 2012. It fosters original creative writing of outstanding quality, including experimental, challenging or thought-provoking work.

## Eligibility

Authors must be Australian citizens or Australian residents who are not related to the judges or members of the Board of the English-Speaking Union.

Entrants to the Secondary School Division must be enrolled full-time at a secondary school.

Submitted stories should not have been published before.

## Results

The results will be announced in early 2025 through the website of the ESU: [esu.org.au](http://esu.org.au)

The release of the results will be notified to entrants by email.

## Judging Panels

Chair: David Fagan

### Open Division:

Chief Judge: David Fagan

Judges: Kerry Davies and Belinda Pollard

### Secondary School Division

Chief Judge: Talisa Pariss-Proby

Judges: Brian Clarke and Georgina Steele

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For further information and registration go to:

[esu.org.au/rolys](http://esu.org.au/rolys)

## Prize Categories

### Open Division

First Prize: \$7500

Second Prize: \$1500

Highly Commended

### Secondary School Division

First Prize: \$1000

Second Prize: \$500

Highly Commended

## Entries open:

1 April 2024

## Entries close:

5pm 6 September 2024  
(AEST)

No submissions will be  
accepted after this date.



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