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THE DOROTHY HEWETT AWARD EXPANDS, AND ANNOUNCES NEW JUDGE

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The 2019 Dorothy Hewett Award for an Unpublished Manuscript will no longer require entries or entrants to have a connection to Western Australia, and will instead be open to all writers of fiction, non-fiction or poetry who are Australian citizens or permanent residents. This marks a turning point in the evolution of The Dorothy Hewett Award, which has, in its first three years, gained national recognition with award-winning and bestselling books. The Award is now presented as national in scope.

The 2019 Award will also welcome Elfie Shiosaki to the judging panel. Elfie Shiosaki is a Lecturer in the School of Indigenous Studies at The University of Western Australia, and was previously an Indigenous Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Centre for Human Rights Education at Curtin University, Western Australia. Shiosaki will replace Lucy Dougan on the panel, and join Terri-ann White, Director of UWA Publishing, and James Ley, critic and contributing editor of the *Sydney Review of Books*.

Entries for the 2019 Award will open at midday WST on Tuesday 15 May and close at 5:00pm WST on Wednesday 15 August 2018. The shortlist will be announced in mid-November 2018, and the winner at a ceremony to be held at Perth Writers Week 2019. The winner will receive a \$10,000 cash prize courtesy of the Copyright Agency and a publishing contract with UWA Publishing.

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