

UWA Publishing has acquired the rights to Graham Akhurst's Borderland.

Graham Akhurst is a First Nations writer and academic from Northern Queensland. Akhurst was awarded the Fulbright W. G. Walker scholarship in 2019 making him the first Indigenous Australian recipient of the award. The scholarship is awarded annually to the highest-ranked postgraduate applicant and the Fulbright alumni are members of one of the most prestigious academic communities in the world. Graeme Akhurst is represented by Danielle Binks and the Jacinta di Mase Agency.

Akhurst's Borderland is a young adult novel that looks at issues of urban Indigenous youth identity. It is set in Brisbane and the fictional rural town of Gambari in western Queensland where the main protagonist, Jono, begins to understand his place in the world. *Borderland* looks at issues of cultural connection, land rights, fracking and its ecological impacts.

UWA Publishing is proud to be publishing Graham Akhurst's Borderland in 2023.

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