

GOLDFIELDS ABORIGINAL LANGUAGE CENTRE

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Women's Book Project

The women's book project will produce ten short Aboriginal bi-lingual children's books. The aim is to ensure that suitable local stories are available for children of the Goldfields region about topics that interest them and in the languages the children use or are learning.

The second aim of the book writing project is to support ten women through the entire process from story idea to book printing and launching. These women may choose to write more stories or promote story writing amongst their family and community. Local Aboriginal artists may also work in collaboration with a writer and use the books as a means to promote their work.

Important Information

1. Writers and illustrators **will not** receive payment to work on their story.
2. Writers and illustrators **will not** receive payment from the book sales.
3. Writers and illustrators **will** retain copyright of their story or illustrations.
4. GALC will retain copyright over the book production and reprint the books as necessary.
5. Writers and illustrators will be contacted and permission sought for each new edition of the books, should new editions be necessary.
6. Writers and illustrators will be trained and supported through the entire book writing or illustrating process from conception to printing and launch.
7. All materials necessary for the writing or illustrating will be provided by GALC.
8. Writers and illustrators will have their name on the front cover of the book.
9. Writers and illustrators will receive 5 copies of the completed book.
10. All material related to the book's production will remain the property of GALC and be retained in GALC archives.
11. Writers and illustrators will complete deposit forms for the State Library and AIATSIS for deposit of a copy of the book.
12. Writers and illustrators will be required to sign and adhere to GALC confidentiality.
13. Writers and illustrators will be required to sign a contract with GALC agreeing to copyright, ownership and production of the book.



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Benefits for Writers and Illustrators

1. Writers and illustrators will be trained and supported through the entire book writing or illustrating process from conception to printing and launch.
2. Writers and illustrators may use their knowledge of the process, working with a graphic designer and engaging a printing company to produce their own books.
3. Writers and illustrators will be classed as published authors and artists and can use the book to support their future endeavours.

Benefits for the Wider Community

1. Ten children's books will be available for use with children.
2. Ten books will be available for language use, learning and enjoyment.
3. The wider community will have access to ten local books.

Writers

1. Must speak an Aboriginal language of the Goldfields fluently. Or, if a semi-fluent speaker, there must be access to a fluent language-speaking friend or family member to check the writing.
2. Must work with GALC linguists to ensure the book is suitable for children, is of a topic relevant to the region and project, is of a positive nature, complies with contemporary thought and belief.
3. Traditional stories may be used on the understanding that the writer has permission to publish the story.
4. GALC Senior Linguist reserves the right to determine if a story or illustrations are suitable for publication.

Budget

Each book production is allocated \$500. These funds will be used to purchase any illustrating material needed, graphically design the book and print 30 copies. Writer and illustrators will each receive 5 copies of their book.

1 copy of the book will be deposited at the State Library (WA) and AIATSIS for safe keeping.

The remaining books will be sold at GALC to enable further reprints.



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