

## NATIONAL SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2018

**Judge: Catherine Chidgey**

**Prizes will be in the form of Page & Blackmore book vouchers**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$300.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$200.00; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$100.00**

All short-listed entries will receive an assessment from the judge

Entries must be received by 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

### Conditions of Entry:

- Open to writers nationwide, who are residing in New Zealand and aged eighteen years and over.
- Entries are restricted to the first 125 received. All others will be returned, along with fee.
- Entry fee - \$20.00. This guarantees written feedback, from an experienced writer, for each story. Payment details can be found at the end of the entry form.
- Please include an *A4 SSAE (stamped, self-addressed envelope 21cm x 29.7cm)*. This size allows return of your entry, written assessment, and certificate, should you be among those short-listed.
- Entries should arrive no earlier than 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 and no later than 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018.
- Word limit of 1500 words; any topic.
- Work must be original, previously unpublished fiction and not under consideration for publication. Stories should not be previously placed (i.e. winning or commended) in a competition. Stories may not be entered into another competition until after the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018.
- Entries should be on A4-sized paper, double-spaced, single-sided, and printed in **Times New Roman 12 point**. Pages must be numbered. We do not accept digital entries.
- The author's name should not appear anywhere on the manuscript.
- On the attached entry form please supply story title(s), name, postal address, phone number, email address (if any), word count and method of payment.
- The judge's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into subsequently.
- By submitting an entry, the writer grants Top of the South Branch of NZSA the non-exclusive rights to publish the work in an anthology, should the work be short-listed in the competition. Stories included in the anthology will be printed as per original entry, including the title.

### Please send entries to:

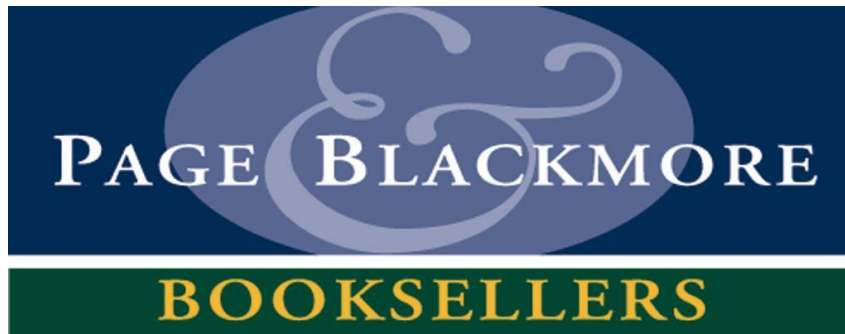
Lorna Croft  
P O Box 1548  
Nelson 7040

Bank details for TOS Branch, NZSA:  
SBS Bank, 126 Trafalgar Street  
Nelson 7010  
A/C No: 03 1355 0632693 00

### Contact for queries:

Lorna Croft [lornacro43@gmail.com](mailto:lornacro43@gmail.com)

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**ENTRY FORM**  
**NATIONAL SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2018**  
Deadline 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

Name: .....

Postal Address: .....

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Phone No: .....

Email: .....

Title:	Word Count:
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Please submit this form with your manuscript(s) and the \$20 fee per story and indicate method of payment below:

- I am paying by cheque made out to NZSA - Top of the South
- I am paying in person at an SBS branch
- I am paying electronically

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