

Liam and Frankie Davison Award - 2024 Terms and Conditions

Secondary Students Literary Competition - For outstanding achievement in literary writing

Each year The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG) invites senior secondary students residing in Australia or New Zealand to apply for the Liam and Frankie Davison Award for outstanding achievement in literary writing on Women's Health.

Launched in 2014, the RANZCOG Secondary Schools Literary Competition was renamed in 2015 in honour of RANZCOG staff member and award-winning author, Liam Davison and his wife Frankie, a secondary school teacher, in recognition of their shared passion for nurturing and encouraging young writers.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1 Entry is open to secondary students (in the final three years of Secondary School) resident in Australia or New Zealand
- 1.2 Entrants must submit their application on the Application Form provided on the RANZCOG website.
- 1.3 Entrants must submit a literary piece on any topic of interest in Women's Health which:
 - a. Is between 500-1000 words, typewritten in English and submitted in MS Word (or compatible) format.
 - b. Be the original work of the Entrant and have been written by only the Entrant (single-authored).
 - c. Not been previously published or awarded.
 - d. Not be entered into any other publication or award for the duration of this competition.
- 1.4 Only one entry will be accepted per Entrant.
- 1.5 Entrants under the age of 18 at the entry closing date must obtain the consent of a parent/legal guardian.

2. Closing Date & Judging of Submissions

- 2.1 The closing date for entries is 5.00pm (AEST/AEDT) on the advertised day of close of applications. Late entries will not be considered.
- 2.2 The competition will be judged by an experienced panel known as the 'Liam and Frankie Davison Award Committee'.
- 2.3 Judges will assess the quality of entries based on:
 - a. Style and language
 - b. Creativity and originality
 - c. Structure
 - d. Expressive, engaging, fluent and coherent writing.
 - e. Judges will consider the age of the entrant.
- 2.4 The decision of the Committee is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 2.5 Provided a valid email address is included on the application form, entrants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email.

3. Payment of the Award

- 3.1 The value of the Liam and Frankie Davison Award is AUD\$1000 for winning entrant resident in Australia or NZD\$1000 for winning entrant resident in New Zealand.
- 3.2 Payment of the award will be made in a single instalment via Electronic Funds Transfer to the nominated bank account of the winning entrant.
- 3.3 The winning entrant is responsible for determining any applicable tax implications of the award.

4. Publicity

- 4.1 The winning entrant may participate in a formal presentation ceremony, which will normally be held at the school attended by the winning entrant. RANZCOG may request photographs for use in collateral.

RANZCOG may:

- a. publish written material of entrant/s on its website, social media (including the RANZCOG Facebook page), in O&G Magazine and/or in other relevant media, including the name, photograph, year level and school of the winning Entrant and the winning literary piece (which may be edited for this purpose); and
- b. request written responses from the winning Entrant for the purposes of publicity on its website, in O&G Magazine, and/or in other relevant media.

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