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BRISBANE WRITERS FESTIVAL 2010 PROGRAM RELEASE

Mark it in your dairy - BWF program will be published in *The Weekend Australian* **24 -25 July**.

Full program available on our [website](#) from **24 July**.

Tickets on sale from **24 July** from [qtix](#).

BOOK DRIVE - HELPING DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN

Following the success of the 2009 book drive, BWF have committed to make this an annual event. BWF will join with our wonderful partners [Clayton Utz Lawyers](#) and [The Smith Family](#) to bring hope and joy through books and writing, to the lives of disadvantaged children.

With our partners, The Smith Family we are aiming to improve literacy amongst disadvantaged children. Every year, The Smith Family promote reading by providing disadvantaged children around Australia with a beautiful new book of their very own. We would like to help The Smith Family collect **new** books for **children aged 15 years and under**.

Through our collaboration with Clayton Utz Lawyers we are collecting new and pre-loved children's books for an anonymous women's refuge in the Brisbane area. In a secure location, this organisation provides safe and nurturing accommodation for traumatised and vulnerable women and children who have experienced domestic violence.

We are seeking your assistance in sharing the joy of words and imagination through reading with as many children as possible. Please send your pre-loved and/or freshly purchased children/young adult books to the office (details below) by **19 April 2010**.

Delivery Address:	12 Merivale Street South Brisbane, QLD
Postal Address:	Brisbane Writers Festival PO Box 3453 South Brisbane QLD 4101

BWF is excited and proud to be working with you, our supporters, as well as The Smith Family and Clayton Utz Lawyers to bring hope and joy to the lives of others.

HIGHLIGHTS: SARAH DUNANT AND ANDREA LEVY

Conversations with Richard Fidler with Sarah Dunant and Andrea Levy was a huge success.

In the coming weeks the conversation will be broadcast on 612ABC Conversations with Richard Fidler. [Watch the website](#) for the date of broadcast. On the [website](#) you will also find some happy snaps of the evening.

A State of Writing event presented by Brisbane Writers Festival in association with Brisbane's Better Book Shops.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REMINDER

The BWF Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Wednesday, 31 March, at 12 Merivale Street, South Brisbane, at 7pm.

If you would like to have your say at the AGM please sign up to be a [member online](#).

If you are currently a member, but unable to attend the AGM please fill in a [proxy form](#) to give your vote to another trusted member.

IN OTHER NEWS AROUND BRISBANE

The 3 R's - Reaching Reluctant Readers

Speakers Ink presents The 3 R's - Reaching Reluctant Readers. A professional development seminar designed to inform and inspire primary and secondary school teachers, librarians and literacy support professionals, educators and those interested in promoting literacy.

[Read more...](#)

Where: The State Library of Queensland, Auditorium 1 and adjoining River Terrace

Date: Friday, 30 April 2010

Bookings: To book a place, print and complete the seminar flyer [here](#)

Deepak Chopra: *Reinventing the Body, Resurrecting the Soul*

Grow Young, Live Longer, Create a New You.

Following Deepak Chopra's groundbreaking teachings as explored in his latest book *Reinventing the Body, Resurrecting the Soul*, Deepak will show you how to improve your life, stay healthy and find greater spiritual fulfilment.



For one night only Deepak will be performing in Brisbane. Don't miss this incredible opportunity with Deepak Chopra: the poet-prophet of alternative medicine. For more information visit: www.deepakchopratour.com.

Brisbane Writers Festival and SpiritWorks are giving all current and new BWF members a chance to win a double pass to see Deepak in Brisbane. Winners will be notified by 22 March. Be quick and join as a [BWF member](#) to make sure you are in with a chance to win!

When: Tuesday, April 27

Venue: Lyric Theatre, QPAC

Time: 7.30pm-10.30pm

Price: \$45 - \$250 (VIP)

Bookings: [qtix website](#) or phone: 136246

Movie Giveaway: Micmacs

Courtesy of **Hopscotch Films, Brisbane Writers**

Festival subscribers have the chance to win one of 50 double passes to see the wonderful new film **Micmacs**, directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet across the weekend of March 26 -28.



Jean-Pierre Jeunet is one of cinema's most inventive and inspired talents and the creator of *Amelie*, *Delicatessen* and *A Very Long Engagement*. His new film *Micmacs*, is a dazzling comedy that follows a band of misfits, lead by accidental hero Basil, who takes revenge on big business. Dany Boon heads a terrific cast in a film that is part comic fable, part caper and always deeply human.

For your chance to win, simply enter your details into the [website](#).

For more information please visit the [website](#). *Micmacs* opens at cinemas nationally on April 1.

Manhattan Dreaming with Anita Heiss

Creator of the Koori chick lit genre, **Anita Heiss**, introduces her latest heroine at the State Library. Join her as she launches her newest novel, *Manhattan Dreaming*, and muses about her own dreams, inspirations, and adventures as a Koori woman in the city.



For more information visit the [slq website](#).

When:	Wednesday, 16 March 2010
Time:	6:00pm
Venue:	slq Auditorium 1, level 2
Tickets:	Free, bookings required
Bookings:	qtix or 136 246 or The Library Shop

2010 Griffin Playwrights' Award

Australia's new writing theatre, Griffin Theatre Company has announced a call for entries to the 2010 Griffin Award.

The award, generously sponsored by PKF Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers, and now in its 13th year, offers a cash prize of \$10,000 for an outstanding new Australian play or performance text displaying an authentic, inventive and contemporary voice.



Entries must be received by 4.00pm, Friday 9 April 2010. The winner will be announced in August 2010. For more information click [here](#).

Out of the Box Volunteer Opportunity

Out of the Box is QPAC's Festival for children 8 years and under. It will be held at the Cultural Centre, South Bank from 8-14 June, 2010. The Festival is looking for volunteers to assist with preparation and during the Festival.

Volunteering at Out of the Box is a great experience for all - including pre-service primary teachers, and students in the fields of arts, early childhood, event management and business.

You can view more information about the festival on the [website](#) or go straight to the [volunteers page](#) and fill out an application form.

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Until next time,
The BWF Team

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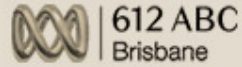
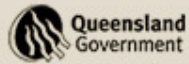
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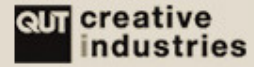
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