

Copyright Agency's Author Fellowship 2026 Application Form Preview

Copyright Agency Author Fellowship 2026 Application

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Before you start...

Please read the guidelines for the Cultural Fund's [Author Fellowship](#) carefully before starting your application.

Applications close at **1pm Monday 17 August 2026 (AEST)**.

- Once your application has been submitted, no changes can be made, regardless of whether it is submitted before the round closes

A little about you ..

Name *

First Name

Last Name

ABN

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Your address *

Address

Suburb State Postcode

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Email *

Phone number *

Website *

Must be a URL.

If you don't have a website, please link to another online example of your published work.

Are you an Australian citizen or permanent resident? *

- Yes
 No

If you are not an Australian citizen or permanent resident you are not eligible to apply for this Grant.

Are you a member of the Copyright Agency? *

- Yes
 No

We encourage writers to become members of the **Copyright Agency**. We regularly make payments to creators for the use of their work and there are many benefits from membership. Please find information on our website in our [Payments to Writers](#) page and you can sign up (for free) [here](#). Alternatively, contact our Members Services team directly memberservices@copyright.com.au

Are you a metropolitan or regional applicant? *

- Metropolitan
 Regional

Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? *

- Yes
 No
 I'd prefer not to respond

Have you received Cultural Fund support in the past? *

- Yes
 No

If you answered 'Yes' to the previous question, please specify previous project name, project code and funding amount.

Please provide project title, project code, the year you obtained funding and the amount of funding you received.

How did you hear about the Copyright Agency's Author Fellowship? *

- APA
 Artshub
 ASA
 Books+Publishing
 Copyright Agency's website
 Copyright Agency's Creative Licence Newsletter
 Facebook

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- Instagram
- LinkedIn
- Literary Agent
- MEAA
- Previous applicant
- Publisher
- Other:

If Other, please specify.

In what genre/s have you published? *

Must be no more than 20 words.

Your Project

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Project Title *

Must be no more than 10 words.

Genre *

- Children's fiction
- Fiction
- Graphic novel
- Playscript
- Poetry
- Young Adult fiction
- Memoir - if Memoir, please apply for the Fellowship for Non-Fiction Writing
- Other:

Please select the genre that best suits your project.

Describe your Fellowship activity *

Word count:

Please describe the project you are planning to undertake with the Fellowship. This should include a rationale for your project and detailed information on what you'll be doing, including a timeline, who will publish/present the work, any research required, travel etc. Please note this is not your synopsis of the work, which you are required to submit as support material. This should be up to 500 words.

When will you start your project? *

Must start after Monday 2 November 2026.

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When will you complete your project? *

Please enter your expected project end date.

Publication/Performance date *

What is the anticipated publishing/performance date with an Australian-based publisher/theatre company?

Please indicate you have read through the eligibility requirements in the links provided *

Yes, I am eligible to apply

Please contact us before the application closing date if you're unsure about your eligibility to apply for an Author Fellowship. Our email is culturalfund@copyright.com.au. Please refer to the Author Fellowship guidelines: <https://www.copyright.com.au/culturalfund/fellowship/author-fellowship/> and the FAQs: <https://www.copyright.com.au/culturalfund/faqs/faqs-grants-for-individuals/>

Eligibility

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Australian authors

To be eligible

- You must have professionally published/performed at least **FIVE full-length works** of your own creative writing/illustrations (including professionally presented plays) of which two books may be self-published.

Please list your FIVE full-length works below.

Type this information in each field below.

Web links are only accepted for the publisher or theatre company websites.

1st book or play

1. Title of 1st book or play *

2nd book or play

1. Title of 2nd book or play *

3rd book or play

1. Title of 3rd book or play *

2. Name of publisher or theatre company *

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3. Genre of book or play *

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4. Month/year of publication or performance *

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5. Website of publisher or theatre company *

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4th book or play

1. Title of 4th book or play *

2. Name of publisher or theatre company *

3. Genre of book or play *

4. Month/year of publication or performance *

5. Website of publisher or theatre company *

Add a web link to this book/performance on your
publisher's/theatre company's website

5th book or play

1. Title of 5th book or play *

2. Name of publisher or theatre company *

3. Genre of book or play *

4. Month/year of publication or performance *

5. Website of publisher or theatre company *

Add a web link to this book/performance on your
publisher's/theatre company's website

Support Material Required

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You can attach up to five PDFs to support your application.

Your support material should include the following:

- A one-page **synopsis** of the proposed work.
- A **sample of your writing/illustrations from your proposed project** (up to 10 pages). For equity purposes with other applicants your sample should not exceed 10 pages.
- A **one-page CV** outlining your publication/performance history.
- Proof of a contract from an **Australian-based** book publisher **OR** a letter of interest/intent to publish from an **Australian-based** book publisher/theatre company
- If your project refers to, or involves First Nations individuals, communities or subject matter, you must submit a letter of support from the relevant individuals and communities.

Synopsis *

Attach a file:

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Please upload a one-page synopsis of the proposed work.

Sample of writing/illustrations from your proposed project *

Attach a file:

MUST BE from your new work. Please upload one PDF. No more than 10 images/pages to be included.

CV *

Attach a file:

Please submit a one-page CV with a list of your published books/performed works. Please list the title, year of publication/performance and publisher/theatre company for each work.

Contract or letter of interest or intent from an Australian-based publisher/theatre company *

Attach a file:

Please submit a contract/letter of interest or intent from your Australian-based publisher/theatre company for the work for which you are seeking the Fellowship.

Additional support material

Attach a file:

Please submit a letter of support from the relevant individuals and communities if your project refers to, or involves First Nations individuals, communities or subject matter.

Check List

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Please complete this check list before submitting your application

You must tick each box *

- Have you read the guidelines and the FAQs for the Author Fellowship?
- Have you published/performed at least FIVE full-length works?
- Are your project dates correct?
- Have you attached all the required support material?
- Is your writing sample from your proposed Fellowship project?*

*If your sample is not from your proposed project, your application will not go forward for assessment.

Applicant Declaration

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I state that the information in this application and attachments is to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I will notify the Copyright Agency's Cultural Fund of any changes to this information and any circumstances that may affect this application. I acknowledge that the Copyright Agency will refer this application to external peers for assessment, advice or comment.