

An international literary prose competition in the genre of nature writing, open to entries in both fiction and nonfiction with a first prize of \$A5000 and a wilderness residency in Tasmania.

# WILDCARE TASMANIA Nature Writing Prize

2009



**WILDCARE Inc**  
Caring for wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage

WILDCARE Inc is Tasmania's largest and fastest growing incorporated volunteer organisation, with 3000 members supporting natural and cultural heritage conservation. In the past year members have contributed \$10,000,000 worth of volunteer work as well as generating over \$300,000 for on-ground projects. We are pleased to be offering the WILDCARE Tasmania Nature Writing Prize to encourage a better understanding of the special connections between us, our minds, our hearts and our wild places.

## ENTRY CONDITIONS

### Submissions

- Prose fiction or nonfiction in the genre of nature writing (see definition)
- One entry per person
- Entries must be between 2000 – 4000 words
- Entries must be anonymous. The entrant's name should appear **ONLY** on the entry form, and not on any part of the manuscript
- All manuscripts must be typed on single-sided A4 paper in 1.5 spacing
- Electronic entries will not be judged
- Entries or part thereof published prior to the announcement of the award or entered in any other award will not be deemed eligible
- The official entry form or a photocopy of it must be used
- Employees of *Island* and competition administrators and organisers may not enter
- Confirmation of receipt of entries may be obtained by emailing [office@wildcaretas.org.au](mailto:office@wildcaretas.org.au)
- Manuscripts will not be returned.
- *Island* and *WILDCARE Times* will publish the winning entry and have the option to publish runner-up and other entries.

### Announcement

The Prize will be awarded in March 2009 and presented during "10 Days on the Island" in April 2009. The place and date of the announcement of the Prize will be advertised in advance on the WILDCARE website: [www.wildcaretas.org.au](http://www.wildcaretas.org.au) as will the results of the Prize.

### Judges

The Prize will be judged by **Dael Allison** (award-winning writer of fiction, nonfiction and poetry working at the NT Writers' Centre in Darwin) and **Adrienne Eberhard** (award-winning Tasmanian poet, essayist and short fiction writer)

### Prizes

- First prize of \$A5000 plus return economy air fare to Hobart to undertake a two-week Tasmanian wilderness residency sponsored by the Parks & Wildlife Service. It is a condition of the Prize that the winner:
  - 1 undertake the residency between March and November 2009; and
  - 2 prepare and present a writing workshop while in Tasmania
- Two minor prizes of \$250 will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

**Entries close 20 February 2009**

