



Sarah Hamilton

**Leigh Hobbs** is an artist and author best known for his children's book characters *Old Tom*, *Horrible Harriet*, and *Mr Chicken*.

**Judy Horacek** is a cartoonist and children's book creator.

**Janet Howie** writes articles and poetry and has been published in literary magazines. She lives in Williamstown and has actively supported her community, from Councillor to Willy Lit Fest committee.



Judy Horacek

**George Ivanoff** writes stuff, mostly for kids, including the *You Choose* books.

**Terry Jaensch** is an Australian poet, director and monologist.

**Dmetri Kakmi** is a writer, editor, mentor and writing tutor.

**Leah Kaminsky** is a physician and award-winning writer.

**Stuart Kells** is an author and book-trade historian. He lives in Melbourne with his family.

**Meg Keneally** is a freelance writer and author.

**Stella Kinsella** is a Melbourne writer and presenter.

**Lee Kofman** is the author of five books.

**Christina Lee** is the Commercial Director at audio publishing company Bolinda.

**Deborah Lee** provides print-on-demand and global distribution solutions to a diverse range of publishers, directly addressing changing market demands.

**Leisl Leighton** is the author of the paranormal romance *Pack Bound* series and romantic suspense novels.

**Rebecca Lim** is a Melbourne writer, illustrator, editor and lawyer.

**Vin Maskell** is the founder, director and MC of Stereo Stories.

**Tariro Mavondo** is a Zimbabwean-born multi-disciplinary artist raised in Melbourne.

**Frank McGuire** is State MP for Broadmeadows and a Walkley Award winning journalist.

**Ebony McKenna** worked as a journalist and now writes novels for a living.

**Ben McKenzie** is a performer, writer and game designer who thinks everyone should make stories and games.

**George Megalogenis** is an author and journalist with three decades' experience in the media.

**Greg Miles** has called a record-breaking 36 Cup Carnivals.

**Brian Nankervis**, co-creator of the SBS phenomenon Rockwiz, has been part of Melbourne's music, comedy and television landscape for many years.

**Lucia Nardo** has published nonfiction titles, articles, and short stories. She teaches in the Professional Writing and Editing program at Victoria Polytechnic and in community settings.

**Robert Newton** has been writing novels for young people since 2001.

**Matt Norman** is an actor, producer and writer.

Beverley Eikli writes aviation-themed romantic suspense set in Colonial Africa. Under the name **Beverley Oakley**, she also writes historical romance set in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

**Kerry O'Brien** is one of Australia's most respected journalists, with six Walkley awards.

**Sonia Orchard** is a freelance writer and author. She lives in Victoria's Macedon Ranges.

**Caroline Overington** is a Walkley award-winning journalist and best selling author.



Caroline Overington



Michael Pryor

**Jacinta Parsons** is co host of the Morning Breakfast Program on ABC Radio Melbourne.

**Mary K. Pershall** is the author of *Gorgeous Girl: A Mother's Memoir of Madness and Murder*.

**Vikki Petraitis** is a true crime author of over a dozen books including *The Frankston Murders*.

**Helen Pitt** is a *Sydney Morning Herald* journalist and author.

**Liz Porter** is a Melbourne-based writer best known for her prize-winning books about "the real CSI" – the way forensic science is used to solve crime.

**Michael Pryor** has published more than 35 novels and 50 short stories and is one of the co-publishers of *Aurealis*, Australia's longest running Fantasy and SF magazine.

**Rod Quantock OAM** is a veteran comedian, author and social commentator.

**Michael Roddan** is a journalist with *The Australian*.

**Claire Saxby** is an award winning author of fiction, non-fiction and poetry for children.

**Jock Serong** is a novelist and freelance writer whose latest book, *Preservation*, was published in 2018.

**Deanne Sheldon-Collins** is a freelance writer and editor.

Children's book author **Susan Spelic** writes for young kids who struggle while learning to read. She is the recipient of the Hobsons Bay Business Excellence Awards.

**Dave Stokes** is the founder of *author2audio*, a mobile 'come to you' audiobook recording, producing, publishing and free distribution service.

**Sue Taffe** is an historian who has specialised in researching twentieth century campaigners for justice for Indigenous Australians.

**D.B. Tait** is a lifelong lover of books in all forms, but crime fiction in particular.

**Helen Thomas** is a journalist of more than 40 years and author of *Murder on Easey Street*.

**Sue Thomson** is a writer, director and producer.

**Maria Tumarkin** is a writer and cultural historian. Her latest book is *Axiomatic*.

**Khalid Warsame** is a Melbourne writer, creative producer and director, and editor.

**Tim Watts MP** is an author and Federal Labor MP for Gellibrand.

**Nova Weetman** is the author of numerous books for young people, including *The Secrets We Keep*.

**Christian White** is an Australian author and screenwriter. His debut novel is *The Nowhere Child*.

**Lili Wilkinson** is the author of twelve books.

**Professor John Woinarski** is a conservation biologist with Charles Darwin University.

**Adut Wol Akec** is a South Sudanese-born Australian writer and poet who lives in Naarm (Melbourne).

**Dr Clare Wright** is an award-winning historian and author who has worked as an academic, political speechwriter and broadcaster.

**Ahmed Yussuf** is a writer and journalist.

**Arnold Zable** is a human rights advocate and author whose books include *Jewels and Ashes*, *Café Scheherazade*, *The Fig Tree*, *Scraps of Heaven* and *Sea of Many Returns*.



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