



FEBRUARY NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

2023

JOIN OUR FIRST EVENTS FOR 2023

We will again have a bumper year of fabulous Friday evening events in the Library this year, taking advantage of our beautiful, intimate space. We will update you in each e-news, on our website and on social media so keep an eye out.

We have also introduced a new ticketing system for this year so please click on the links provided here to register for your free Member tickets and paid Guest tickets. Bookings can also still be made by phone or in the Library.





INVENTI ENSEMBLE BACK AGAIN

We are thrilled to present the Inveni Ensemble for another performance on **Friday 10 March**.

Founders Ben Opie and Melissa Doecke are always joined by fantastic players and this year will be no exception.



Doors will open at 6pm, with the performance commencing at 6.30pm.

Register here: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFORJ> - book quickly as this event will sell out.

STEVE LUCAS AND TANYA-LEE DAVIES BACK TOO!



And then the following Friday, **6pm on 17 March**, we will also welcome back contemporary music favourites, Steve Lucas and Tanya-Lee Davies.

Steve, a singer/songwriter and producer, is the last surviving founding member of infamous



Aussie punk band X. His music will make you feel alive and ready to rock!

He returns again with Tanya-Lee Davies. Tanya-Lee's smoky voice, lush music and dreamy lyrics will transport you to another place.

Register here: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFSBF>

SEND US YOUR ATH MEMORIES

Our Library staff always love hearing people's memories of the Ath from the recent and not-so recent past so we thought we would ask you all to send us these in print – any length is fine.

We'd also love any photos or other memorabilia you might have.

Drop us a line by mail (PO Box 225, Flinders Lane Melbourne 8009) or email (library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au) or drop your memories in when you are next at the Library.

We will feature these in future e-news – maybe we'll make a book of them!

SCARLET STILETTO WINNERS

The winners of the 29th annual Scarlet Stiletto Awards have been announced, and presented by actor Nicole Chamoun, the star of ABC TV's *Tropo*.



The Melbourne Athenaeum's Body in the Library Award was won by Jem Tyley-Miller from Bacchus Marsh for *The Surrogate*.

Jem's short stories are published in *Meanjin*, *Overland* and *We'll Stand in that Place and Other Stories* (Margaret River Press).

The Body in the Library Runner-up Award was won by Maeve James (Bundanoon, NSW) for *Armchair Detective*.

Maeve lives in the stunning NSW Southern Highlands, where she devours books in the cosy winter evenings by the fire.

Tuesday Jocks, a short story by Paynesville author, Fin J Ross, won the Swinburne University of Technology First Prize (\$2000) and the coveted trophy, a scarlet stiletto shoe with a steel stiletto heel plunging into a mount.

The 2022 awards, run by the Sisters in Crime, attracted 195 short stories, which competed for more than \$12,000 in prize money and benefits.



The winner and runner-up stories in the Body in the Library category will be made available on our website in the coming weeks.