

**SOUTHERN CROSS
UNIVERSITY MARQUEE**

10am - 10.45am

DISCOVERY: WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS

Miriam Lancewood in conversation
with Phillip Frazer

11am – 11.45am

THE CRAFT OF FICTION

Tony Birch in conversation with
Anneli Knight

11.45am - 12.15pm LUNCH

12.15pm – 1pm

**CHALLENGING ASSUMPTIONS: FINDING MY
PLACE**

Anne Aly in conversation with
Adam van Kempen

1.15pm-2pm

THE CRAFT OF WRITING

Tristan Bancks and Ben Hobson in
conversation with Emma Doolan

**GREENSTONE PARTNERS
MARQUEE**

10am - 10.45am

**CREATIVITY: CELEBRATING A LITERARY
LEGEND**

Tom Keneally in conversation with Chris
Hanley

11am – 11.45am

**EXPLORING CULTURE: THE GIRL WITH
SEVEN NAMES**

Hyeonseoo Lee in conversation with Mick
O'Regan

12.15pm – 1pm

STORYTELLERS

Lemn Sissay and Shastra Deo in
conversation with Bri Lee

1.15pm-2pm

ACTIVISM: THE COAL TRUTH

David Ritter in conversation with
Alan Close



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Anne Aly was born in Egypt, is Australia's first female federal parliamentarian of Muslim faith and recently released her memoir *Finding My Place: From Cairo to Canberra*.



Tristan Bancks is an award-winning author of novels for young people, *Two Wolves* and *The Fall*, as well as the *Tom Weekly* series.



Tony Birch is the author of *Shadowboxing*, *Father's Day*, *Blood*, *The Promise*, *Ghost River* and *Common People*. He was awarded the Patrick White Literary Prize in 2017.



Shastra Deo was born in Fiji, raised in Melbourne, and lives in Brisbane. Her first book, *The Agonist*, won the 2016 Arts Queensland Thomas Shapcott Poetry Prize.



Ben Hobson teaches English and Music at Bribie Island State High School. *To Become a Whale* is his first novel.



Tom Keneally won the Booker Prize in 1982 with *Schindler's Ark*. His novels *Bring Larks and Heroes* and *Three Cheers for the Paraclete* won the Miles Franklin Award.



Miriam Lancewood lived for seven years with her husband in the New Zealand wilderness. Her life is about embracing insecurity and stepping into the unknown.



Hyeonseo Lee is a North Korean defector who now lives in Seoul. Her memoir *The Girl with Seven Names* has been published in more than 20 countries. It has become a global bestseller.



David Ritter is the CEO of Greenpeace Australia Pacific. He is the author of *Contesting Native Title*; *The Native Title Market*, and *The Coal Truth*.



Lemn Sissay MBE is a poet, playwright and occasional broadcaster. He has performed all over the world and is currently Chancellor of The University of Manchester.