FRIDAY 4 AUG

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SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY MAROUEE

10.00am - 11.00am

The Extreme Bound-

YELLOW BRICK ROAD PAVILION **FEROS CARE MAROUEE**

GREENSTONE PARTNERS MAROUEE

THE SATURDAY PAPER MARQUEE

BELONGIL ROOM

9am

8.30am: Gates open with market stalls, coffee, Brookfarm breakfasts & Spaghetti Circus stilt walkers 9.30am: 'Welcome to Country' with Delta Kay and the Bunyarra Dancers

10am

12pm

aries of the Savable Kate Cole-Adams, Nikki Gemmell, Kate Grenville Chair: Ashley Hay Supported by Southern Cross University 11am

> 2 11.15am - 12.15pm **Jimmy Barnes** in conversation with Mandy Nolan

3 12.30pm - 1.15pm **Tony Jones** in conversation with Sarah Kanowski

4 1.30pm - 2.30pm Grief: Does It Never End? Nikki Gemmell,

Heather Taylor Johnson, Charlie Veron Chair: Sarah Armstrong

5 2.45pm - 3.45pm **Dirty Politics:** Blowback and Repercussions Malcom Farr, Caro Meldrum-Hanna, Laura Tingle Chair: Matthew Condon

Supported by

6 4.00pm - 5.00pm Literacy in Children

The Byron Shire Echo

Tristan Bancks, Cosentino, Sally Rippin Chair: Jesse Blackadder Supported by Indigenous Literacy Foundation

10.00am - 11.00am ABC RN Books & Arts: Focus on **Indian Literature** Kunal Basu, Vavu Naidu

8 11.15am - 12.15pm Making Art

Chair: Sarah Kanowski

About Country Roanna Gonsalves, Kim Mahood, Venkat Shyam, Joshua Yeldham Chair: Jill Eddington Supported by Atlantic Byron Bay

9 12.30pm - 1.30pm Overcoming Adversity Deng Adut, Cosentino,

Graeme Innes, Ben Mckelvey Chair: Alan Close Supported by Chris Hanley & Dawn Standfield

1.45pm - 2.45pm **Books to Screen: How Books Get Adapted** for Film and Television

Angie Fielder, Pippa Masson, Karen Radzyner, Sally Riley Chair: Jesse Blackadder Supported by Screenworks

11 3.00pm - 4.00pm Living Ethically Rebecca Huntley, Kenan Malik, Emrys Westacott Chair: Antony Funnell

Supported by Byron Shire Council Reach for the Stars: 12 4.15pm - 5.15pm **Intertwined Lives**

> in Fiction A.S. Patric, Michael Sala, Kayla Rae Whitaker Chair: Sophie Hamley Supported by Yellow Brick Road Wealth Management

10.00am - 11.00am Australia: Still Lucky?

> Rebecca Huntley, Laura Tingle Chair: David Marr Supported by Velvet Cafe

11.15am - 12.15pm Dava Sobel

in conversation with Jennifer Byrne Supported by Feros Care

15 12.30pm - 1.15pm John Safran in conversation with Sophie Hamley

1.30pm - 2.30pm Crime Fiction: Not Just A Genre

Mirandi Riwoe, Michael Robotham, Jock Serong Chair: Chris Hanley

2.45pm - 3.45pm **Tracey Spicer** in conversation with Lisa Wilkinson

4.00pm - 5.00pm

Roger Cohen, Mei Fong,

Supported by Rochdale

Accounting & Business

The State of

Christina Lamb,

Chair: Ben Knight

the World

Kerry O'Brien

Advisory

25 4.15pm - 5.00pm Kunal Basu in conversation with Wendy Were Supported by Australia

Council for the Arts

26 10.00am - 10.45am Kim Scott in conversation with Steven Lang

20 11.00am - 11.45am Jock Serong 27 11.00am - 12.00pm in conversation Kenan Malik with Chris Hanley in conversation with Supported by Laura Kroetsch **Greenstone Partners**

21 12.00pm - 12.45pm Victoria the Oueen: Julia Baird in conversation with **Caroline Baum**

10.00am - 10.45am

Michael Robotham

Rosemarie Milsom

in conversation with

22 1.00pm - 1.45pm Hannah Kent in conversation with Laura Kroetsch

23 2.00pm - 3.00pm Roger Cohen in conversation with David Leser

24 3.15pm - 4.00pm Peter Helliar in conversation with Miles Merrill

> 31 4.00pm - 5.00pm **Clementine Ford** in conversation with 33 4.15pm - 5.15pm Zacharey Jane

Kate Grenville

Ashley Hay

in conversation with

32 9.00am - 11.00am **ABC North Coast** Live Broadcast with Joanne Shoebridge

9.05am Kunal Basu 9.20am Kate Cole-Adams 9.45am Kim Mahood 10.10am Clementine Ford 10.30am Christina Lamb 10.45am Deng Adut & Ben Mckelvey

33 11.15am - 12.00pm Kayla Rae Whitaker in conversation with Lex Hirst

28 12.15pm - 1.15pm **Tex Perkins** in conversation with Bec Mac

34 12.15pm - 1.00pm Ashlev Hav in conversation with Susan Wyndham

29 1.30pm - 2.30pm 35 1.15pm - 2.00pm Millennials Sebastian Smee on Strike Back The Art of Rivalry plus presentation of Sebastian Smee Susie Warrick Young Chair: Zacharey Jane Writer's Award

Jennifer Down, Bri Lee, Kayla Rae Whitaker 36 2.15pm - 3.00pm Chair: Jerath Head Gond Art: Finding My Way 30 2.45pm - 3.45pm

Venkat Shyam Chair: Roanna Gonsalves

37 3.15pm - 4.00pm Accidents of Composition Merlinda Bobis Introduced by Lynda

Hawryluk

Book Launch: Whipbird by **Robert Drewe** Launched by

Geordie Williamson

9am

SATURDAY 5 AUG

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SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY MAROUEE

39 9.00am - 10.00am Journey to the Past: Julia Baird, Richard Fidler,

Researching History Ian Townsend Chair: Edna Carew

10am 40 10.15am - 11.00am **Christina Lamb** in conversation with Jennifer Byrne

11am 41 11.15am - 12.00pm 48 11.15am - 12.15pm Adam Spencer in conversation with

Lex Hirst

42 12.15pm - 1.15pm

Deng Adut, Tony Doherty,

Ben Mckelvey, Ailsa Piper

Chair: Rosemarie Milsom

Thea Astley lecture:

Peter FitzSimons

argues the Case

for a Republic

MC Susan Wyndham

launches Thea Astley:

44 2.45pm - 3.45pm

Depends What You

Mean by Extremist

Kenan Malik, David Marr,

Chair: Matthew Condon

Selected Poems

John Safran

Supported by Aesop

43 1.30pm - 2.30pm

The Two of Us

12pm

45 4.00pm - 5.00pm Indigenous Storytelling: 60,000 **Years and Counting**

Delta Kay, Bruce Pascoe, Kim Scott Chair: Adam Shoemaker Supported by Southern Cross University

YELLOW BRICK ROAD PAVILION

46 9.00am - 10.00am Music Memoir Andrew Ford, Mark Holden, Barry Jones Chair: Mandy Nolan Supported by Yellow Brick

Road Wealth Management

47 10.15am - 11.00am The Reef: A Life Underwater

> Charlie Veron in conversation with Peter Harrison

Writing the Landscape

Kim Mahood, Bruce Pascoe, Nicolas Rothwell Chair: Lynda Hawryluk Supported by Elements of Byron

49 12.30pm - 1.30pm Mei Fong in conversation with Caroline Baum

50 1.45pm - 2.45pm Foreign Correspondents' Club Roger Cohen, Christina

Lamb, John Lyons Chair: Ben Knight Supported by First National Byron Bay

51 3.00pm - 4.00pm Gender: Still On The Agenda?

Clementine Ford, Bri Lee, Michael Sala Chair: Mandy Nolan

52 4.15pm - 5.15pm This Book Changed Mv Life

Barry Jones, Tracey Spicer, Susan Wyndham Chair: Adam Suckling Supported by Copyright Agency

FEROS CARE MAROUEE

53 9.00am - 9.45am Deng Adut in conversation with Ben Mckelvev

54 10.00am - 11.00am The Simple Life: Why Less is More, More or Less

David Haskell, Magdalena Roze, Emrys Westacott Chair: Paul Barclay Supported by Slow Magazine

55 11.15am - 12.15pm How I Got Here

> Peter Helliar, Meshel Laurie, Tracey Spicer Chair: Mandy Nolan Supported by Feros Care

56 12.30pm - 1.30pm ABC RN Books & Arts: Rock'n'Roll

> Lives Jimmy Barnes, Tex Perkins Chair: Sarah Kanowski

57 1.45pm - 2.45pm Science, Philosophy and Ideas

> Dava Sobel, Emrys Westacott, Robyn Williams Chair: Adam Spencer Supported by Mary Ryan's Byron Bay

58 3.00pm - 4.00pm Rake

> Andrew Knight, Richard Roxburgh Chair: Jennifer Byrne

59 4.15pm - 5.00pm Robyn Williams in conversation with

Jesse Blackadder

GREENSTONE PARTNERS MAROUEE

60 9.00am - 10.00am The Perils of Populism Jim Hearn. Bri Lee.

Lisa Walker Chair: Julianne Schultz

61 10.15am - 11.00am Caroline Baum in conversation with Ailsa Piper

62 11.15am - 12.00pm John Lyons in conversation with **David Leser** Supported by **Greenstone Partners**

63 12.15pm - 1.00pm Morris Gleitzman in conversation with Chris Hanley

64 1.15pm - 2.15pm Midnight's Children: Contemporary Indian Literature Kunal Basu, Roanna

Gonsalves, Vayu Naidu, Venkat Shyam Chair: Wendy Were Supported by Australia Council for the Arts

65 2.30pm - 3.30pm Farming that Doesn't Cost the Earth

Charles Massy, Bruce Pascoe Chair: Peter Harrison Supported by Brookfarm

66 3.45pm - 4.45pm Short Stories Big Impact

A.S. Patric, Alice Pung, Mirandi Riwoe Chair: Sandy Verschoor THE SATURDAY PAPER MARQUEE

67 8.30am - 9.00am The Saturday Paper over coffee with editor Erik Jensen and David Marr Supported by Aesop

68 9.15am - 10.00am Nikki Gemmell in conversation with **Chris Hanley**

9 10.15am - 11.15am Mixing it Up: Writing **Across Forms**

Merlinda Bobis, A.S. Patric, Heather Taylor Johnson Chair: Zacharey Jane Supported by LAMY Australia

70 11.30am - 12.15pm Sarah Blasko Erik Jensen Supported by The Saturday Paper

71 12.30pm - 1.30pm Just Like Us: Creating Fictional Families 78 Robert Drewe, Sophie Hamley, Ashley Hay,

Eka Kurniawan Chair: Nicole Abadee 72 1.45pm - 2.45pm How the Media Makes the News

Malcom Farr, Caro Meldrum-Hanna, Laura Tingle Chair: Erik Jensen Supported by The Saturday Paper

73 3.00pm - 3.45pm Tim Flannery in conversation with **Paul Barclay**

74 4.00pm - 5.00pm To Swim in the Sea Julia Baird, Jill Eddington,

Charlie Veron Chair: Chris Hanley **BELONGIL ROOM**

75 10.00am - 10.45am Eka Kurniawan in conversation with Anneli Knight

76 11.00am - 11.45am **Taming Toxic** People

David Gillespie in conversation with Phil Brown

in conversation with 12.00pm - 12.45pm Our Weather **Obsession** Lawrie Zion in

conversation with Peter Harrison

1.00pm - 1.45pm Nicolas Rothwell in conversation with Geordie Williamson

79 2.00pm - 3.00pm Poetry in all its Forms Merlinda Bobis, Lisa

Brockwell, Arielle Cottingham Chair: Lynda Hawryluk

80 3.15pm - 4.00pm **Book Launch:** The Bia Scrub Rainforest: A Journey Through Time

4.15pm - 5.00pm Book Launch: No Fixed Abode -Stories from the streets around Byron Launched by Dr Gregory Smith

9am

10am

11am

12pm

SUNDAY 6 AUG

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SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY MAROUEE

9.00am - 10.00am Peter FitzSimons in conversation with Chris Hanley

83 10.15am - 11.15am

Women in Science

Melissa Ashley, Ashley

Chair: Robyn Williams

Supported by Byron at

84 11.30am - 12.30pm

in conversation with

Barry Jones

Kerry O'Brien

85 12.45pm - 1.45pm

Grappling with

the Mystery of

Consciousness

Kate Cole-Adams, Kenan

Malik, Emrys Westacott

Chair: Robyn Williams

Byron Resort & Spa

Hav. Dava Sobel

YELLOW BRICK ROAD PAVILION

88 9.00am - 10.00am Jane Hutcheon in conversation with Susan Wyndham

89 10.00am - 11.00am

A Sense of Place

Kunal Basu, Hannah Kent,

Supported by Yellow Brick

Road Wealth Management

Sylvie Le Clezio, John Lyons

91 12.30pm - 1.30pm

Balcony Over

Chair: Edna Carew

92 1.45pm - 2.30pm

Mark Holden

Phil Brown

93 2.45pm - 3.45pm

Class Collide

When Race and

Anita Heiss, Alice Pung

Chair: Roanna Gonsalves

Jerusalem

FEROS CARE MAROUEE

95 9.00am - 10.00am The Hunger for Spirituality Susan Carland, Tony

Doherty, Meshel Laurie Chair: Ailsa Piper

10.15am - 11.15am Stories from Nature's

Chair: Paul Barclay

Books

Smee, Peter Thompson

3.15pm - 4.15pm

Chair: Ben Knight

China One Child

Chair: Geordie Williamson

Mei Fong, Jane Hutcheon

Supported by Feros Care

Great Connectors Tim Flannery, David Haskell, Nicolas Rothwell Chair: Steven Lang Supported by Tamara Smith MP

Eka Kurniawan Chair: Laura Kroetsch Supported by Ballina Byron Gateway Airport

97 11.30am - 12.30pm Speaking Out Loud: Women. Faith and Sexism Susan Carland, Clementine

90 11.15am - 12.15pm My Family and Other Traumas Caroline Baum, Roger Cohen, Henry Rosenbloom Chair: Ailsa Piper Ford, Alice Pung

98 12.45pm - 1.45pm The Synthetic World: What Are We Really Consuming?

David Gillespie, 1.30pm - 2.00pm Kate Grenville Chair: Sandy Verschoor Meet: Supported by Richard Roxburgh Byron Farmers Market

in conversation with 99 2.00pm - 3.00pm The Masters: Art, Music, Film and Andrew Ford, Sebastian

Steven Lang. A.S. Patric. Kim Scott Chair: Jill Eddington Supported by **Greenstone Partners**

3.30pm - 4.15pm **Extreme Weather** Magdalena Roze,

Lawrie Zion Chair: Mick O'Regan

THE SATURDAY PAPER MARQUEE

BELONGIL ROOM

9.00am - 9.45am **Anita Heiss** in conversation with Jesse Blackadder

9.00am - 9.45am David Free in conversation with Geordie Williamson

10.10am - 10.40am 05 10.00am - 10.45am The White Oueen: Morris Gleitzman One Nation and the Politics of Race

Process

David Marr Chair: Erik Jensen

11.00am - 12.00pm

Blood. Sweat and

Tears: The Writing

Heather Taylor Johnson, Holly

Throsby, Kayla Rae Whitaker

in conversation with

Chair: Jerath Head

Graeme Innes

Chris Hanley

10.00am - 10.45am Charles Massy in conversation with Hans Loveiov

113 11.00am - 12.00pm

Negotiating a

Violent World

Chair: Anneli Knight

Michael Sala, Jock Serong

10.50am - 11.20am Meet:

Hilary Badger aka H.I. Larry

GREENSTONE

PARTNERS

MAROUEE

Meet:

Meet:

KIDS BIG DAY OUT

9.30am - 10.00am

Lucas Proudfoot

11.30am - 12.00pm Meet:

Peter Helliar

Tristan Bancks

12.10pm - 12.40pm Meet:

12.50pm - 1.20pm Meet: Sally Rippin

🚥 1.15pm - 2.15pm **Historical Fiction**

Melissa Ashley, Hannah Kent. Ian Townsend Chair: Nicole Abadee

12.15pm - 1.00pm Vavu Naidu in conversation with Wendy Were

1.15pm - 2.15pm Short Stories

Jennifer Down, Roanna Gonsalves, Kim Mahood Chair: Zacharey Jane

😳 2.15pm - 3.15pm Men of Fiction

scapes: Making Language Sing Lisa Brockwell. David Haskell Chair: Miles Merrill Supported by Red Room Company

2.30pm - 3.30pm

Sound and Sound-

3.45pm - 4.30pm The Music Makers

Sarah Blasko, Holly Throsby Chair: Anneli Knight

4 2.30pm - 3.30pm The Attachment: Letters in Conversation

Tony Doherty, Ailsa Piper

117 3.45pm - 4.30pm

Eat Real Food David Gillespie Chair: Zacharey Jane

86 2.00pm - 3.00pm Offshore: Stories from Behind the Wire

Roger Cohen, Madeline Gleeson, Morris Gleitzman Chair: Adam Shoemaker Supported by Southern Cross University

87 3.15pm - 4.15pm Men of Crime

David Free, Tony Jones, Michael Robotham Chair: Matthew Condon

94 4.00pm - 5.00pm **Human Rights:** Protecting the Vulnerable

Madeline Gleeson, Graeme Innes, Ian Townsend Chair: Sophie Hamley