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Entries for 2010 NT Literary Awards Open

Territory writers are being encouraged to enter the 2010 Northern Territory Literary Awards with entries closing Sunday, 31 January 2010.

Northern Territory Library Director Jo McGill said 2010 will see a new era begin for the Awards with it becoming the opening event for the NT Writers' Festival, WordStorm on 13 May 2010.

"The Territory is home to some fantastically talented writers and the Northern Territory Literary Awards offer a wonderful opportunity to celebrate their diverse talents," Ms McGill said.

"The Northern Territory Literary Awards recognise written works of outstanding literary merit and highlight the achievements of Northern Territory writers."

Ms McGill said the 2010 Northern Territory Literary Awards will also incorporate a completely new category, the Darwin Festival Script Award.

"The Darwin Festival Script Award will be awarded for an outstanding play, film or other script," Ms McGill said.

"The judges will be looking for a script that is vividly imagined, expertly crafted and lends itself naturally to a performance medium, with the winning script having the opportunity to be considered for a rehearsed reading at the 2010 Darwin Festival."

The Northern Territory Literary Awards have been running since 1984 and attract more than 200 entries from throughout the Northern Territory.

The 2009 Northern Territory Literary Awards were announced last Friday, 9 October 2009 in a ceremony at Parliament House.

For more information on how to enter go to www.ntl.nt.gov.au or phone 1800 019 155

Ends

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