Literature Festival

2nd, 3rd and 4th April 2012

Three exciting authors, Randa Abdel-Fattah, Aaron Blabey and Tristan Bancks will be giving talks and workshops over the three days.

Randa Abdel-Fattah is a lawyer, human rights activist and an internationally published award-winning author of six novels, with two more due for release in 2012. Her young adult novels include: *Does My Head Look Big in This?, Ten Things I Hate About Me, Where The Streets Had A Name* and *Nooah’s Law*. Her children’s novels are *Buzz Off*, *The Friendship Matchmaker* and *The Friendship Matchmaker Goes Undercover* (out in May 2012).

Aaron Blabey lives in Sydney and is the creator of four picture books published by Penguin Australia. The first is *Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley* (2007) which has achieved remarkable success. It won the 2008 Children’s Book Council Awards — Book of the Year (Early Childhood) and was short-listed for both the Crighton Award for New Illustrators and the prestigious New South Wales Premier’s Literary Awards. It was also included on the Smithsonian Institute’s Notable Book List of 2008 in the USA.

Tristan Bancks tells stories for the page and screen. As a teenager he trained at Sydney’s Q Theatre before landing a series-regular role in TV’s *Home and Away*. Tristan has been writing full-time for the past few years. His series include *Mac Slater, Coolhunter*, the *Nitboy* books and *Kids Inc.* His first Young Adult novel, *it’s yr life* was co-written with actress and author, Tempany Deckert.

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