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## **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS TO RESIDENTIAL EDITORIAL PROGRAM**

Editors who are intending to apply for the Residential Editorial Program (REP) 2012 are reminded that **applications close on 9 January 2012.**

The REP is founded on the notion of mentoring, and the seventy-plus editors who have participated over the past twelve years have demonstrated to the industry the benefits of the program.

During the seventh biennial REP, to be held at Varuna the Writers' House in Katoomba, NSW from 7–12 May 2012, mid-career editors will work with mentors Roberta Ivers, Jacqueline Kent and Jo Jarrah to workshop various editorial approaches to a manuscript which has been accepted by a publishing house. At week's end the manuscript's editor will address the participants on how they approached the work.

The Australian Publishers Association (APA) and the Literature Board of the Australia Council for the Arts are pleased to announce, too, that several other esteemed speakers have agreed to participate, joining keynote speaker Richard Flanagan. They include Mandy Brett, Ali Lavau, Sue Abbey, Linda McBride-Yuke and Ellen van Neerven. Jane Morrow (who will have just returned from her Beatrice Davis Editorial Fellowship in the US) will describe her impressions, and the week will conclude with Joel Naoum speaking on his Unwin Trust UK-Australia Fellowship and 'The Future of Editing'.

Participants will be selected by the organising committee chaired by Meredith Rose (Penguin Group Australia) and comprising Meredith Curnow (Random House Australia), Madonna Duffy (University of Queensland Press), Nicola O'Shea (freelance), Tegan Morrison (HarperCollins Publishers Australia), Dee Read (APA), Nicola Evans (Literature Board of the Australia Council for The Arts) and Robyn Sheahan-Bright (freelance).

Guidelines and application forms are available from the APA website, and if you have any queries about the process please contact Robyn Sheahan-Bright, Program Manager, on (07) 4972 9760 or at [rsheahan@tpg.com.au](mailto:rsheahan@tpg.com.au) or Dee Read, Industry Professional Development Manager, Australian Publishers Association, on (02) 9281 9788 or at [email dee.read@publishers.asn.au](mailto:dee.read@publishers.asn.au)