

# LIANZA Children's Book Awards, 2007

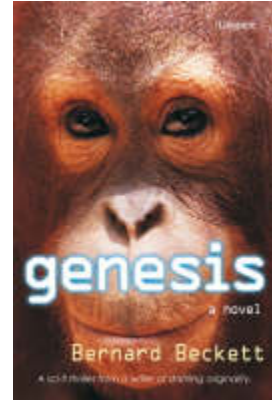
## Esther Glen Award

Awarded for the most distinguished contribution to New Zealand literature for children and young adults, in honour of Esther Glen, a New Zealand journalist, children's book editor and author.

[Genesis: A Novel](#) by Bernard Beckett (Longacre Press)

Shortlisted books:

- [The Whizbanger that Emmental Built](#) by Reuben Schwarz (Puffin Books)
- [Face It](#) by Denis Martin (Puffin Books)
- [Thor's Tale: Endurance & Adventure in the Southern Ocean](#) by Janice Marriott (HarperCollins)
- [The Assassin of Gleam](#) by James Norcliffe (Hazard Press)
- [Billy: A Lolly Leopold Story](#) by Kate de Goldi (Trapeze)



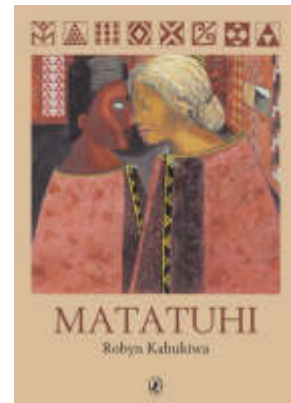
## Te Kura Pounamu Medal

[Te Kura Pounamu](#) award is made to the author of a book considered to be the most distinguished contribution to literature for children and young adults written in Te Reo Māori.

[Matatuhi](#) by Robyn Kahukiwa, translated by Kiwa Hammond (Puffin Books)

Shortlisted books:

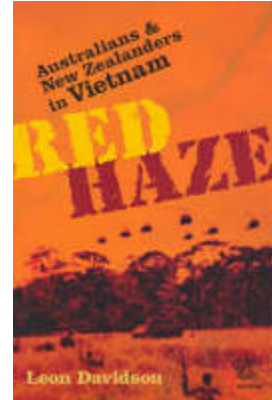
- [Rēkohu, taku kāinga e](#) by Hannah Rainforth (Huia)
- [Whakaeke i ngā ngaru](#) by Gavin Bishop, translated by Katerina Te Heikōkō Mataira (Random)
- [Tēnei Mea te Pōhā Tītī](#) by Graham Metzger and Hana Pōmare (H.A.N.A. Ltd)
- Te Tui by Sue Corkill and Te Huirangi Waikerepuru;  
Te Pūkeko by Eriata Nopera and Te Huirangi Waikerepuru;  
Te Kererū by Sue Corkill and Te Huirangi Waikerepuru; and  
Te Tīrairaka by Sue Corkill, Niwa Short, and Te Huirangi Waikerepuru (Series)



## **Elsie Locke Award (was LIANZA Young People's Non-Fiction Award)**

This was established in 1986 to encourage the development of excellence in New Zealand non-fiction for young people. From 2001 it was renamed the Elsie Locke Award and is given to the book considered to be the most distinguished contribution to non-fiction for young adults.

[Red Haze: Australians & New Zealanders in Vietnam](#) by Leon Davidson (Black Dog Books)



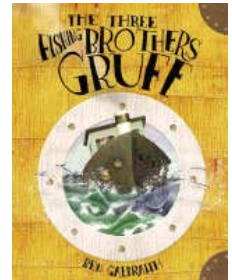
Shortlisted books:

- [Winging it!: The Adventures of Tim Wallis](#) by Neville Peat (Longacre Press)
- [Birds-Eye View: Through the Eyes of New Zealand Birds](#) by Maria Gill (Puffin Books)
- [Illustrated History of the South Pacific](#) by Marcia Stenson (Random House)
- [Nature Kids: Kakapo](#) by Rod Morris (Reed Children's Books)

## **Russell Clark Award**

The Russell Clark Award recognises excellence in children's book illustration and is given to a New Zealand citizen or resident for the most distinguished pictures or illustrations in a children's or young adult's book, with or without text. Non-fiction as well as fiction titles are eligible. The award honours [Russell Clark](#) (1905-1966), well known for his illustrations in the Listener and the School Journal in the forties and fifties.).

[Three Fishing Brothers Gruff](#) by Ben Galbraith (Hodder Children's Books)



Shortlisted books:

- [Kiss Kiss Yuck Yuck](#) by Kyle Mewburn, illustrated by Ali Teo & John O'Reilly (Scholastic)
- [Greedy Cat and Sneeze](#) by Joy Cowley, illustrated by Robyn Belton (Scholastic)
- [Shut the Gate](#) by Elizabeth Pulford, illustrated by Jenny Cooper (Scholastic)
- [Riding the Waves: Four Maori Myths](#) written and illustrated by Gavin Bishop (Random House)

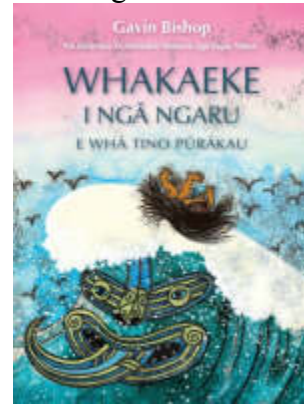
## **Margaret Mahy Medal Award**

This award is presented annually to a person who has made an especially significant contribution to children's literature, publishing or literacy, and honours New Zealand's leading author for children. Members of the Children's Literature Foundation of New Zealand are asked to nominate contenders for the award, and a panel from the NZCLF selects the recipient. A ceremony is held in March each year where the recipient delivers the Margaret Mahy Lecture and is presented with the Margaret Mahy medal.

Winner of the [Margaret Mahy Medal](#) for 2007 is Ken Catran.

## **Betty Gilderdale Award**

This award is presented to recognize a person who has made an outstanding contribution to New Zealand children's literature. Recipient of the award for 2007 is Kāterina Mataira.



## **Tom Fitzgibbon Award**

This award is sponsored by Scholastic New Zealand and is given annually, when merited, to a previously unpublished author, for a manuscript of a work of fiction of at least 10,000 words that is appropriate for children aged 7-13 years. It recognizes the outstanding contribution made by the late Tom Fitzgibbon to New Zealand children's literature. The winner for 2007 is Kris Stanhope.

## **Gaelyn Gordon Award for a Much-Loved Book**

This award was established in 1999 in memory of new Zealand writer Gaelyn Gordon (1939-1997), and is presented annually for a book which has not received a major New Zealand award, but has proved an enduring favourite. This honour goes to Fleur Beale for [Slide the Corner](#).

