



## BOOKBEDONNERD 2017

SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Karoosters,

With spring definitely in the air, it is one of the very best times of the year. The Cape is getting rains we hear and the northern parts of the country have had plenty of August winds which will later bring us much needed rain as well. Think of the poor souls in the southern States and parts of the Caribbean when we pray for rain. Wouldn't they just love a day of sun and dry in the Karoo?

Richmond is ramping up a pace which tells you there must be a couple of factors at play...either there are some new movers and shakers in the sleepy dorp, or Richmond is finally coming close to the critical mass and energy required to self-generate and maintain a vibrant country village.

As BoekBedonnerd approaches we are a buzz about one of the highlights of this festival which will be the gala awards banquet on Wednesday October 25 at the Supper Klub.

We are very pleased to set out the list of finalists for the Self Publishers Awards:

- 1) MIKE NORRIS – ARTIST ROUND THE BEND (ART)
- 2) IGNO VAN NIEKERK – LIGHT ON LEADERSHIP (BUSINESS)
- 3) ASHWIN DESAI – HARI POTTERMARI – (NOVEL)
- 4) CICELY ANNE VAN STRATEN – A MISSING MADONNA – (NOVEL)
- 5) ROSE WILLIS/ ARNOLD VAN DYK/ KAY DE VILLIERS – YEOMEN OF THE KAROO –(MEDICAL)
- 6) MARILYNN MILLS – TWISTED BLOOD VINES – (NOVEL)
- 7) TOD COLLINS – THE BLACK SHEEP – (SHORT STORY)
- 8) WERNER SCHMIDT – DEATH BY DESIGN – (POETRY)
- 9) EDDIE BLIGNAUT - KAROO CHUCKLES – (HUMOUR)
- 10) JOAN KRUGER – ON TOP OF TABLE MOUNTAIN – (TRAVEL)
- 11) MATTHYS STRYDOM - STORIES TEEN MY MUUR – (ART)
- 12) HEATHER COSTARAS – HOW HEATHER GOT HER HAT'NESS BACK – (AUTOBIOGRAPHY)

- 13) LINDI BAIRD – JOHN BAIRD: FIRST LANDDROST OF BEAUFORT WEST – (BIOGRAPHY)
- 14) WERNER SCHMIDT – CHINCHILLAS – (POETRY)
- 15) JEFF GAISFORD – THE NAVIGATOR TRIANGLE – (NOVEL)
- 16) BARRY SMITH/ ANDREW BLAINE – THE NEXT STEP – (BUSINESS)
- 17) JOHN CAMERON-DOW – A QUESTION OF BALANCE – THE UNAUTHORISED F.W. DE KLERK (BIOGRAPHY)
- 18) JOE SPIRIT – THE BOOK OF JANE – (CRIME FICTION)
- 19) WYNAND VAN EEDEN – THE BUSHMAN CANDLES – (BOTANICAL)
- 20) JOHN MATISONN – GOD, LIES AND SPIES
- 21) LOUISA SCHOLTZ – SIRKEL VAN ONS LIEFDE – (NOVEL)
- 22) JOHN BURGESS- THE ROAD THROUGH THE GROVE – (MEMOIR)
- 23) KYLE ALLAN – HOUSE WITHOUT WALLS – (POETRY)
- 24) RINA THERON – SANDVELDKOS : KOSNOSTALGIE EN STORIES VAN GISTER – (FOOD)
- 25) CHRIS MARAIS / JULIENNE DU TOIT – EASTERN CAPE ROAD-TRIPPING – (TRAVEL)
- 26) WILLEM MALHERBE – DIE CAMINO : CHURROS EN CHIRURGIE – (TRAVEL)
- 27) MADINE SWART – FLORA SE GEHEIME TAAL- STORIES OOR SUIDER – AFRIKAANSE PLANTE – (BOTANICAL)
- 28) BARRY PIENAAR - FREDDIE BOY
- 29) CARA-LEIGH O’ SHEA – SHADOW WIZARDS – (CHILDREN’S LITERATURE)
- 30) HEATHER CASTORAS – FODDER – (MEMOIR)
- 31) CLINTON DU PLESSIS – AANTEKENINGE TEEN DIE SKEMERUUR – (POETRY)
- 32) ATHOL WILLIAMS – PUSHING BOULDERS – (AUTOBIOGRAPHY)
- 33) ATHOL WILLIAMS – INVITATION – (POETRY)
- 34) SYLVIA GARIB – KALI – (NOVEL)

We are all going to be blown away (come on train) when we see the quality of the books these individuals have written the produced on their own.

We know that you are all very anxious to receive the final programme ....well we can tell you that is like getting a million South Africans to all agree on anything! But we promise to have a preliminary programme out in the next couple weeks but we can tell you who is going to be in the dorp for BoekBedonnerd 2017.

Here then is an almost final indication of what’s on the Booktown Richmond Hit Parade in 2017:

- 1) NAOMI MEYER - WEB
- 2) ERNS GRUNDLING – EL CAMINO
- 3) DONVE LEE – SCARS THAT SHINE – THE SYD KITCHEN STORY
- 4) MIKE NORRIS – ARTIST ROUND THE BEND
- 5) MATTHYS STRYDOM- STORIES TEEN MY MUUR
- 6) KARINA BRINK – THE FIFTH MRS BRINK
- 7) FANIE OLIVIER - **GEDAGTENISSE – ONTHOUGEDIGTE OOR VRIENDE**  
**TONY JACKMAN**
- 8) ANDRIES BEZUIDENHOUT – THE HISTORY OF PICTURES
- 9) CICELY ANNE VAN STRATEN – A MISSING MADONNA
- 10) ANTOINETTE OLIVIER – HAIKOES - OPTELKLIPPES
- 11) ANDRIES BEZUIDENHOUT – COSATU
- 12) KEN BARRIS – PHOTOGRAPHIC
- 13) ELKARIEN FOURIE – VAT JOU HELE HART - CHINESE ODYSSEY
- 14) TONY JACKMAN – COOKBOOK
- 15) ROSEMARY & ROBERT FORRESTER - TARA THE TERRIER SAILING AROUND THE WORLD
- 16) LUTHANDO LUCAS – I AM
- 17) ATHOL WILLIAMS – INVITATION
- 18) IGNO VAN NIEKERK – LIGHT ON LEADERSHIP
- 19) KIRBY VAN DER MERWE
- 20) HEATHER CASTARAS – HOW HEATHER GOT HER HAT’NESS BACK
- 21) CLINTON DU PLESSIS – AANTEKENINGE TEEN DIE SKEMERUUR
- 22) RINA THERON – SANDVELDKOS: KOSNOSTALGIE EN STORIES VAN GISTER
- 23) MADINE SWART – FLORA SE GEHEIME TAAL – STORIES OOR SUIDER-AFRIKAANSE PLANTE
- 24) BARRY PIENAAR - FREDDIE BOY (The Inge Lotz trial through the eyes of defence lawyer Barry Pienaar)
- 35) BERNARD ODENDAAL – WOORDE HUL STORIE SIEN KEN – ESSAYS EN RUBRIEKE

- 31) HELENE OPPERMAN LEWIS – BRITAIN’S BASTARD CHILD
- 32) LOUISA SCHOLTZ – SIRKEL VAN ONS LIEFDE
- 33) KEN BARRIS – THE LIFE OF WORM & OTHER MISCONCEPTIONS
- 34) EVELYN GROENINK – MURDER INC. – THE MURDER OF DULCIE SEPTEMBER

In addition to the talks and presentations at BTRHQ, the old library, there will be exhibitions at MAP, the Richmond Horse Museum, the Kerk Bazaar, running and Kart races, historical and architectural walkabouts, book binding and restoration workshops, Steel Guitar Blues man Doc Maclean will be performing on Thursday, the Museum will be holding a wine and cheese on Friday, and of course there will be plenty of stoep sitting!

So, there you have it until you hear from us next. Any suggestions or queries please contact DED or PCB.

Book your accommodation as soon as possible as the town is gearing up at a pace.

Be good and if not possible then be careful....

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