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# UPCOMING

ADULT FICTION

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#### THE FALLS B. Michael Radburn

A week of despair... A century of evil.

Damaged but not yet broken after his ordeal in Tasmania's wilderness, park ranger Taylor Bridges believes his ghosts are in the past—until a raging forest fire in an isolated canyon of The Falls lays bare the remains of a young woman... and a decade-old killing ground.

After the police enlist Taylor in their investigation, the evidence bizarrely points to a deranged preacher who reigned over The Falls a century ago.

But when a crucial witness and a policewoman disappear, it's clear that a disciple of The Falls' dark history is on the loose.

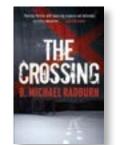
Pub Date: August 2016 ISBN: 9781921997419 Category: Mystery/Crime Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 250pp Rights Held: World Rights Sold: Audio (Wavesound)



#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR:**

Between road trips on his Harley Davidson, B. Michael Radburn is a family man. The hauntingly beautiful surrounds of his rural Southern Highlands holding inspire his stories. Radburn was an award-winning short-story teller before a move to novels. This freed him to explore his characters, as well as the natural and supernatural environs in his work. He enjoys farming his small property and posses a deep passion for music. Radburn treasures the time he spends jamming on guitar, banjo and harmonica.

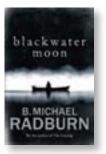
WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT B. Michael Radburn



"A riveting tale of deception and desperation... an impressive Australian thriller... one for the dark, cold winter nights ahead" ABC Radio

"This innovative thriller is gripping throughout... fast pace and three-dimensional characters gave it a great momentum" Good Reading Magazine

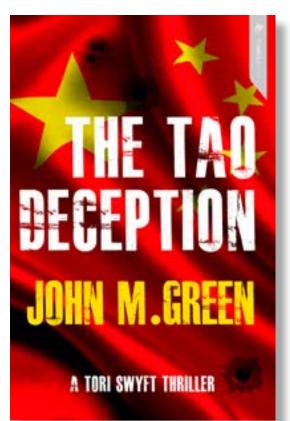
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"Plenty of suspense in this thriller..." The Australian

"terrifying novel... beautifully evocative... disturbingly dark, with brilliantly-created characters, it builds with great tension to a gripping climax" ABC Radio





#### THE TAO DECEPTION THE NEW TORI SWYFT THRILLER John M. Green

World leaders are being systematically assassinated by toxic gas delivered by drone, and more are threatened with the same fate.

Claiming responsibility is an obscure band of Chinese terrorists. But The Ten Brothers, a secret circle of China's political, military and business elite, are using the terrorists as a cover to justify the assassination of China's President and the overthrow of Beijing. The plot is part of their blueprint to forge a new China, and the rebirth of their nation.

Their next step is designed to smash America's dominance, with an audacious plan to destroy the power grid and send the country into deep freeze.

Ex-CIA operative Dr Tori Swyft, negotiating a business deal with their leader, Wang Bo, inadvertantly stumbles across the plot. Can she survive long enough to thwart The Ten Brothers and their aims?

Pub Date: December 2016 ISBN: 9781921997464 Category: Thriller Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 400pp



**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** 

When it dawned on John M. Green that the reason he got up in the morning was to write, he quit his job. He spent 30 years as executive director in a leading investment bank and partner in two law firms. A well-known business writer and commentator, his insightful observations are sought after locally and internationally. As a co-founder of Pantera Press, John serves on the governing council of the National Library of Australia, and is a board member of two stock-exchange-listed corporations and not-for-profits. He lives in Sydney with his wife, an award-winning sculptor.

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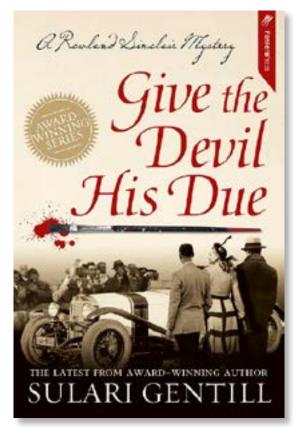
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## GIVE THE DEVIL HIS DUE

When Rowland Sinclair is invited to take his yellow Mercedes onto the Maroubra Raceway—renamed the Killer Track for the lives it has claimed he agrees without caution or reserve. After all, the race will raise money for the Australian Red Cross of which his mother is a patron.

But then people start to die.

The body of the journalist covering the race for *Smith's Weekly* is found in a House of Horrors, an English blueblood with Blackshirt affiliations dies on the race track, and it seems that someone has Rowland, too, in their sights. A strange young reporter preoccupied with black magic, a vagabond who defaces pavements with the word 'Eternity', an up-andcoming actor by the name of Flynn and ruthless bookmakers all add mayhem to the mix.

With danger presenting at every turn, and the brakes long since disengaged, Rowland Sinclair hurtles towards disaster with an artist, a poet and a brazen sculptress along for the ride.

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Pub Date: November 2015 ISBN: 9781921997570 Category: Historical Crime Fiction Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 370pp

Rights Held: World

**Rights Sold**: North American English (Poisoned Pen Press); Audio (Wavesound); UK English (Under Negotiation)

#### Book 7 of The Rowland Sinclair Mysteries

"This is a great addition to a fun Australian mystery series... an exciting and entertaining novel... Containing an intriguing mystery, a unique sense of humour and a range of historical characters, this is a highly recommended read for lovers of Australian fiction." **The Sydney Morning Herald** 

"I've been slow to become a fan of this increasingly

popular historical crime series... but with book No. 7, I have firmly joined the club. Rowly and his friends are excellent comapny on an adventure-packed romp... Loads of real people and events add to the fun." **The Herald Sun** 

"How delightful to come across this work... The novel engrosses the reader with a complex plot,



**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** 

Award-wining author Sulari Gentill set out to study astrophysics, graduated in law, and then abandoned her legal career to write books instead of contracts. Born in Sri Lanka, Sulari learned to speak English in Zambia, grew up in Brisbane and now lives in the foothills of the Snowy Mountains of NSW where, with her historian husband, she grows French black truffles, cares for a variety of animals and raises two wild colonial boys. Sulari also paints, but only well enough to know she should write, preferably in her pyjamas.

murder, skulduggery, adultery and scandal, yet it is presented in a style that mirrors the period in which it is set." **Sydney Arts Guide** 

"Another immensely enjoyable read from Sulari Gentill. While losing none of its pleasure, the Rowland Sinclair series has an increasingly menacing undercurrent." Angela Savage, author

## THE ROWLAND SINCLAIR MYSTERIES

Rowland Sinclair, the black sheep of a wealthy Australian rural grazing family, and his loyal and endearing companions, artist Clyde, poet Milton and the beautiful sculptress Edna, find themselves repeatedly in the wrong place at the wrong time, embroiled in murder and mayhem.

This award winning gentleman detective series offers a tantalising insight into the people and politics that shaped 1930s Australia and the world, including a fascinating array of real characters, many of whom changed the course of history.

Rowland Sinclair and his friends are guaranteed to charm you against the very real backdrop of the tensions of the Great Depression and the rise of fascism, solving crimes from Australia to London and Germany in their inimitable style. "With her amateur detective, Sulari has brought back the gentlemen sleuth but with a difference: he's a larrikin Lord Peter Wimsey, with a penchant for living la vie de boheme." The Canberra Times

"An elusive killer, a charming sleuth and a historical setting... glossy and original" The Australian Women's Weekly

"sparkling crime series... There's an Evelyn-Waughmeets-Agatha-Christie feel about the series..." The Age

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"It's a joy to get reacquainted with Rowly and his friends as they live their luxurious, turbulent lives" The Australian Women's Weekly

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"another daring adventure with a cracking plot, peopled by characters who will charm your pants off." The Age

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"Stylish, well-paced murder mystery... cheeky plotline... this tale is told with such flair and feeling for those extraordinary times... Verdict: Thrilling." The Herald-Sun

"The Rowland Sinclair series is my absolute favourite Australian historical crime series... Rowly Sinclair, gentleman, adventurer, artist, detective and reluctant hero! ...Perfect for fans of classic crime writers like Agatha Christie, Dorothy L Sayers and Ngaio Marsh, I truly adore the Rowland Sinclair series and cannot recommend it highly enough!"

Booktopia

#### WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT Sulari Gentill

"...strong plots, and wonderful characters... The humour is perfect, the situations believable, and the clues to solving the mystery are there for anyone who wants to play along... there is so much wonderful reading in the entire series." AustCrimeFiction

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"Sulari Gentill likes to tease, blithely slotting real people and events into a crime series set in the 1930s relating the fictional adventures of artist and gentleman of leisure, Rowland Sinclair... Once again, telling the fictional from the real is part of the fun... Clever Gentill. Investigating the past has never been more fun."

The Sydney Morning Herald

"Fans of Sherlock Holmes and Agatha Christie will love Gentill's novel(s)... in the intelligent and amusing Rowland Sinclair series set in 1930s Australia" Herald Sun, Recommended Crime Novel of the Year

"An enthralling continuation of an excellent Australian series, this is a great historical mystery set during an interesting Australian period. A must read for fans of either genre" Sydney Morning Herald

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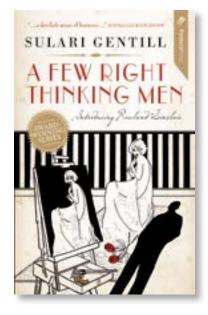
"Sulari Gentill's award-winning historical crime series is written with verve and spirit, the fiction woven seamlessly into actual events of the time." Newtown Review of Books

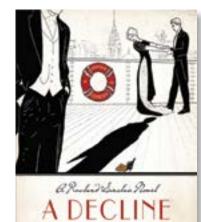
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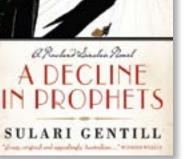
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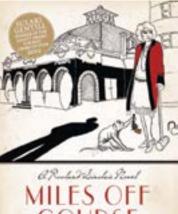
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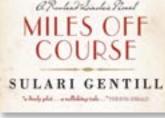
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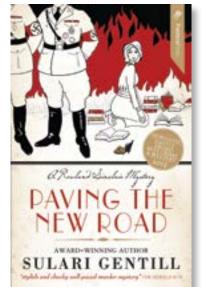


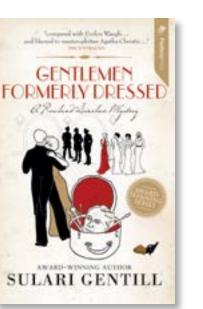


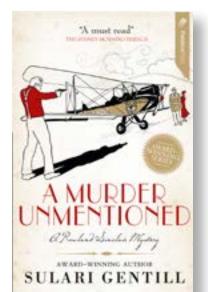












#### A FEW RIGHT THINKING MEN

Shortlisted for the Commonwealth Writers Prize, 2011

#### A DECLINE IN PROPHETS

Winner of the Davitt Award for Best Crime Fiction, 2012

#### PAVING THE NEW ROAD

Shortlisted for the Davitt Award for Best Crime and Mystery, 2013

#### A MURDER UNMENTIONED

Highly Commended, Best Adult Crime Fiction, Davitt Awards, 2015

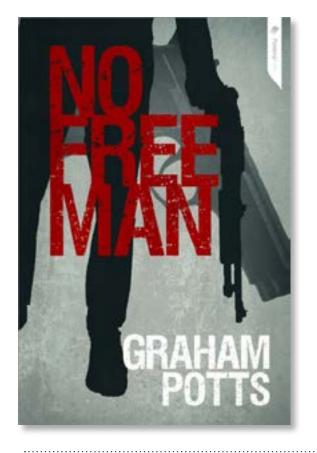
Shortlisted for the Best Crime Novel, Ned Kelly Awards, 2015

Shortlisted for the Australian Book Industry Awards Small Publisher Adult Book of the Year, 2015

APPA Platinum Award for Promotional Excellence, 2015

Rights Held: World **Rights Sold:** North American English (Poisoned Pen Press) Audio (Wavesound) UK English (Under Negotiation)





#### "A fast-paced Australian spy thriller bringing international espionage close to home"

#### NO FREE MAN Graham Potts

Stephan Volkov forfeited his future when he was paid to forget his past.

As a tool of the Organizatsiya, a Russian crime syndicate, he is forged into 'The Wolf', the world's most meticulous killer... feared, vicious and brutal. Pursued by American spies and Australian agents, he is torn between his need to survive and his desire to be free.

When a shock encounter in Australia unearths forgotten secrets and challenges his loyalty, Volkov suddenly sees a choice—one he'd thought would never again be his to make.

With a billion-dollar international oil deal threatening to shift the global balance of power, will Volkov return to Moscow to wage war for the Organizatsiya, or will he find the courage to escape with the vengeful thief whose life he destroyed?

Pub Date: January 2016 ISBN: 9781921997556 Category: Thriller Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 350pp Rights Held: World



#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

War defines the first decade of Graham Potts's adult life. Always on the move, he has lived in almost every state in Australia. After challenging assignments with the Royal Australian Air Force, his inner strategist acknowledged the truth: writing is his true passion. His action-packed style throws you into international conflicts closer to home than you think. Graham has a fondness for literature and appetite for intrigue. He tells stories that captivate, thrill and touch on the truth. And if you buy him a scotch, he might tell you a tall one or two.

"... an action-packed espionage thriller in the mould of Robert Ludlum or Lee Child... taut and suspenseful and skilfully plotted... there's no question Potts is the real thing." Sydney Morning Herald

"This is a Spy thriller on a truly grand scale... an impressive debut novel, an engrossing read, fastpaced and absorbing to the very end... the publishing community have dubbed him the next Lee Child." **Sydney Arts Guide** 

"Short. Sharp. Chapters. If that's the way you like your spy thrillers you will welcome a new player in the field of literary secrets and lies... Could be the next Tom Clancy. Or Rober Ludlum. Or Matthew Reilly... a punchy thriller that keeps the readers guessing." The Courier Mail "Fast paced, heaps of action, a lot of lurking baddies, a flawed hero and comparisons with the work of Tom Clancy and Matthew Reilly are going to be coming in droves." Australian Crime Fiction







#### MISSING Melanie Casey

Psychic meets Psychotic.

Someone is targeting Adelaide's homeless. Men are disappearing off the streets, and body parts are turning up in a local dump.

Still haunted by her last run-in with a serial killer, Cass Lehman is trying hard to focus on a normal future with her parner, Detective Ed Dyson. That's not easy when she has the 'gift' of retrocognition... the ability to spontaneously re-live a person's dying moments.

As Cass finds herself entangled in her strangest case yet, she realises that living a normal life may be difficult, but staying alive could be the biggest challenge of all.

A twisted tale of love, desperation and murder.

Pub Date: February 2016 ISBN: 9781921997532 Category: Crime/Paranormal Crime Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 250pp Rights Held: World



#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR:**

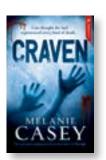
Despite the cats (and more recently a dog) sitting on her keyboard, Melanie Casey is determined to write. She studied English literature, classical studies and law, and has forged a career as a senior leader in a busy Commonwealth Government Department. In 2005 a chance encounter with a high school English teacher made her realise she'd neglected her creativity. Inspired (and slightly chastened), Melanie honed her skills at The Professional Writing School at Adelaide's College of the Arts. She now teaches there. Born in South Australia, Melanie juggles her day job, a demanding writing and teaching schedule and a family.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT Melanie Casey



"Building to a tense finale... entertaining read... suggests that future adventures for Cass should be nicely mind-bending" **Rip It Up** 

"CSI meets Medium" Aust Crime



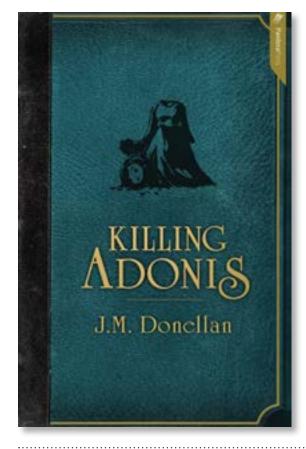
"Take a touch of CSI, a dash of Supernatural... and you've got Craven... an entertaining read." The Daily Mail

"Craven is a clever, fast-paced thriller... Casey writes well, in a lively modern idiom" AIMN

# BACKLIST

ADULT FICTION the **NEXT**GENERATION





### **KILLING ADONIS**

J. M. Donellan

Light duties – large pay – no questions asked – or answered...

After seeing a curious flyer, Freya takes a job caring for Elijah, the comatose son of the eccentric Vincetti family. She soon discovers that the Vincetti's labyrinthine mansion hides a wealth of secrets, their corporate rivals have a nasty habit of being extravagantly executed, and Elijah is not the saint they portray him to be.

As well, Marilyn Monroe keeps showing up, unaware that she's very much deceased. And there's something very strange about the story that Elijah's brother Jack is writing...

*Killing Adonis* is a tragicomic tale about love, delusion, corporate greed and the hazards of using pineapple cutters while hallucinating.

"A Wes Anderson movie waiting to happen."

Pub Date: October 2014 ISBN: 9781921997280 Category: Indie Comedy Format: Paperback B+ 210mm x 135mm Extent: 436pp Rights Held: World Rights Sold: North American English (Poisoned Pen Press)



#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR:**

J. M. Donellan is a teacher, slam poet, DJ, musician, collaborator and writer. Brisbane based, he believes the measure and cadence of language is important and has been known to replace a word because the rhythm is not quite right. Medical absurdities that co-exist with real life intrigue him. He was almost devoured by a tiger in the jungles of Malaysia, nearly died of a lung collapse in the Nepalese Himalayas, fended off a pack of rabid dogs with a guitar in the mountains of India and was sexually harassed by a half-naked man visiting Oscar Wilde's grave in Paris.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT J M Ponellan "Farcical plotlines, secrets, surreal moments and eccentric characters... satire explorations run far deeper than the words on the page... A writer with a deft handle on his craft. Killing Adonis is an immensely pleasurable read and will have appeal to fans of Wes Anderson's films and readers looking to be entertained by something a little off-the-wall." Books + Publishing "... a surprising page turner... thoroughly entertained by the snappy writing, audacious characters, and gaudy plot. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend" Book'd Out "Quirky, satirical and amusing, 'Killing Adnois' also manages to be amazingly suspenseful, and I was hooked right to the very end as Donellan's surprises and twists revealed themselves." Good Reads

Pub Date: April 2013 **ISBN:** 9781921997167 Category: Thriller Format: Paperback C 234mm x 153mm Extent: 400pp Rights Held: World Rights Sold: Audio (Wavesound)

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#### WHAT PEOPLE ARE **SAYING ABOUT** John M Green

"... as good as John Grisham, Robert Ludlum, Lee Child or Jonathan Kellerman... knife-edge plot, sophisticated themes and empathetic characters put Green in the front rank of Australian thriller writers." The Australian

"brilliant and provocative... Green delivers a chilling prophesy of what could really happen if extremists turned technology against itself. The Trusted is a classic race against time thriller with a difference: its terrifying political edge makes it all too plausible." ABC Radio

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#### THE TRUSTED John M. Green

How far would you go to save the planet? Would you destroy it?

Imagine a global depression caused, not by greed or stupidity, but by a secret band of brilliant eco-terrorists intent on saving the planet by slashing its population and annihilating its resource-hungry economy.

Members of radical environmental group, 9S, have spent ten years secretly infiltrating industry and government, working themselves into the most trusted jobs in the world.

When the first global catastrophe erupts, the finger points at Australian-born Dr Tori Swyft, an ex-CIA officer. Trying to clear her name, she uncovers the 9S group's dark conspiracy... but is there enough time to expose and stop them?

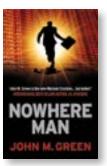
They are the most trusted – until they betray that trust.











#### NOWHERE MAN John M. Green

When wealthy stock trader Michael Hunt suddenly goes missing, his wife Sonya is left with millions in debt and many unanswered questions. Then she discovers some strange files, which may be the clue to repaying her debts. Risking everything, will Sonya's white knuckle ride through the stock markets during the global financial crisis unlock the mystery of Michael's disappearance?

"...a fast-paced, slightly futuristic thriller... mainstream airport fiction but the ideas, story and characters demand attention" **The Sydney Morning Herald** 

"...an atmospheric thriller set in the precarious world of high finance" **The Age** 

"A highly polished debut novel... a clever, interesting novel that delivers a stunning mid-book twist and a totally unexpected ending that will leave readers divided in their views. One of the most surprising thrillers of the year" **The Canberra Times** 



BORN TO RUN John M. Green

Isabel Diaz is set to be the first woman to win the White House – but her chances plummet when a Muslim protégé is accused of syphoning funds to terrorists, and, seemingly unrelated, a young Australian software whizz is tossed off a London skyscraper. Can Isabel Diaz thwart the terrorist plot against New York City, and win the race?

"...a tour de force of blind alleys and intrigue. It defines the best tradition of thriller writing, with knife-edge moments and arresting prose, a cut above the usual airport novel" **The Australian** 

"...a gripping political thriller which moves at a cracking pace and is, quite simply, impossible to put down... a suspenseful and thrilling page-turner" **The Australian Financial Review** 

"...a cracking political thriller... the action is relentless as the fastpaced plot hears up... it all makes for a tense series of chapters leading up to a terrific climax" **The Daily Telegraph** 



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#### KILLING RICHARD DAWSON Robin Baker

In this darkly comic, slow-burn thriller, reality is blurred... nothing can be taken for granted. A gripping and poignant black comedy about love, friendship, booze, morality, death... and a generation's casual dissatisfaction with modern life. Sometimes, redemption lies in the darkest of places.

"...somehow doesn't miss a beat, all the way to an ending that'll knock you sideways." Nick Earls, Award-Winning Author

"...a dark, simmering tale...black humour, moments of wit and horror simultaneously thrown into the mix" **The West Australian** 

"The pleasure of the novel is its darkly hilarious knack for capturing the lethargic insights of Gen Y" **The Australian Literary Review** 



CHASING THE SUN Robin Baker

A twisted tale about Feng Shui, vampires, drinking, pet psychiatry, genocide, belief and mortality, where nothing is as it seems. A nightclub opening becomes a fight for life and the discovered fountain of youth hides a movement to exterminate a race.

"... tight and fast-paced...a darkly comic take on contemporary society. It will appeal to lovers of urban fantasies who like moral questions that stay with them long after the book is finished." Bookseller + Publisher

"A startling, original voice on the crime scene...TO DIE FOR... a new crime writer you simply have to read." Booktopia Buzz

"...simmering, mysterious thriller ... Baker's strangely compelling voice reels you in... a compulsive read." The Courier Mail



**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** 

Robin Baker knows death. A young ex-English teacher-turned-funeral-director, Robin spends his days lecturing and tutoring at a local Perth university. He also writes book reviews for the local papers while working on his next darkly comic coming-of-age tale. He studied creative writing alongside a raft of pure humanities subjects, which help him delve into the minds of his often quirky and morbid characters. After a post-graduate degree in secondary teaching, a predictable career was sidetracked by a six-year stint as a funeral director. He is a likeable character who creates decidedly unlikeable ones.



#### YOUNG ADULT FICTION

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#### what people are saying about Lynette Noni



#### RAELIA Book 2, The Medoran Chronicles Lynette Noni

"Life is full of crossroads, Alex. Full of choices."

Returning for a second year at Akarnae Academy with her gifted friends, Alexandra Jennings steps back through a doorway into Medora, the fantasy world that is full of impossibilities.

Despite the magical wonder of Medora, Alex's life remains threatened by Aven Dalmarta, the banished prince from the Lost City of Meya who is out for her blood.

To protect the Medorans from Aven's quest to reclaim his birthright, Alex and her friends seek out the Meyarin city and what remains of its ancient race.

Not sure who—or perhaps what—she is anymore, all Alex knows is that if she fails to keep Aven from reaching Meya, the lives of countless Medorans will be in danger. Can she protect them, or will all be lost?

Pub Date: April 2016 ISBN: 9781921997624 Category: YA Fantasy Format: Paperback B+ 210mm x 135mm Extent: 436pp Rights Held: World

"natural and humorous... cool and scary... good fun and a solid recommendation for YA readers." Books + Publishing

"truly a wonderful young adult fantasy novel! I loved reading every minute of it" Doodles and Words "I adored every single thing about this book...every single moment I could be reading, I was!!" Aussie Bookworm

"Akarnae weaves a tale of magic, intrigue, fantasy, hidden secrets and fun that enraptures and delights" Blendys Read It



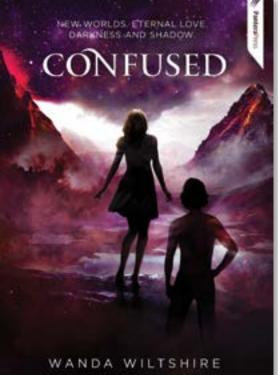
#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Lynette Noni loves getting lost in stories – both the ones she creates, and those created by others. Lynette grew up on an outback farm and now lives behind the sun-swept beaches of the Sunshine Coast. Devastated when her Hogwarts letter didn't arrive, she consoled herself by looking inside every wardrobe she could find, and is still determined to find her way to Narnia. Bursting with novel ideas, Lynette is a reader who writes and a writer who reads. She has a worldwide blog-following where she enthusiastically shares her devotion to books and her unashamed Disney animation addiction.

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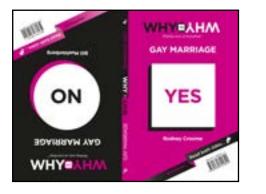
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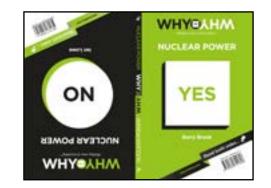
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