**The Prize —**

**Publication Pathway and Networking Opportunity and for Emerging Short Story Writers**

Enter your short story to the ‘AAWP/ASSF Short Story Prize for your chance to win.

If you win you will receive — a ticket to the Australian Short Story Festival (ASSF) October 2018 (Perth), accommodation for the duration of the festival and economy airfares to and from the festival (\*Terms and Conditions apply, see below).

In addition, you will receive fully subsidised conference fees to attend the annual conference of the Australasian Association of Writing Programs (AAWP), where you are invited to read from your work. The editors at *Meniscus* will consider your work for publication.

Take advantage of this stunning opportunity to celebrate the craft of writing at the Australian Short Story festival. Be welcomed in to the thriving community of writers within the AAWP. Enter your short story and take advantage of this generous publication pathway and networking opportunity for emerging writers.

**Conditions of Entry**

1. This competition is open to emerging writers across Australasia. Emerging writers will not have a full-length, single-authored, commercially published, print publication in fiction. Emerging writers who have published in electronic format only, or who have published work in collections showcasing multiple authors, are eligible.

2. The Prize opens on the 28 November 2017 and closes at midnight on 31 July 2018. Late submissions will not be accepted. The winner will be announced on the AAWP website and the ASSF website no later than 30 September 2018.

3. Entries should not exceed 3000 words.

4. Entries should address any theme / issue relating to Australian life / culture.

5. The entry should be formatted as follows — line spacing: 1.5, font size: 12 point, font: Times New Roman.

6. You may enter as many times as you wish. Subsequent entries incur a separate fee.

7. Any entries that do not follow the rules will be disqualified. If an entry is disqualified no refund will be given.

8. Entries may not be altered after they have been submitted.

9. The AAWP/ASSF reserves the right to disqualify any entry that breaches the rules.

10. The judges' verdict is final. No correspondence or discussion.

11. The award is for unpublished writing, including online publication.

**How to Enter**

Entry is via: <https://meniscusliteraryjournal.submittable.com/submit> Please go to the aawp.org.au for further information: available under News (Opportunities) or Journals (Meniscus)

The entry fee is $20.

\*Terms and Conditions:

Airfares are from states within Australia. Airfares must be approved by the AAWP prior to booking and must be booked at least one month prior to departure. Costs associated with alterations to flights are the responsibility of the winner.