

### ***Little Literature in the Lane***

*Little Literature in the Lane* is an opportunity for writers, poets and anyone interested in playing with words to tell stories of life in the lanes of Broken Hill. This is for locals and visitors alike.

Little Literature in the Lane will take place in the Courtyard Gallery of the Grand Guesthouse, entrance off Argent Lane, on Saturday March 3, 2018.

While there is some focus on this area of Crystal Lane, stories that relate to any of Broken Hill's 28 lanes are welcome.

Stories may be in poetry or prose (free writing) and while these will be based on people's recollections, an element of imagination is welcome.

Workshops to help participants develop and then install their stories in the gallery will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, with a choice of either 10.00am to 12.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.00pm. These workshops will be in the Grand Courtyard Gallery.

For those people who may like additional time or support to research and develop their story an earlier workshop will be upstairs in the archives room of the city library on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February from 1.00pm to 3.30pm.

People can come to any of these workshops for as long or as little as they need during these times.

Workshop participants may like to bring a photo or some other memorabilia to support their story. Stories will be installed in the gallery on a variety of materials including cloth, paper and various recycled materials.

Following the installation on Saturday 3 March, a launch will be held at 6pm in the Courtyard Gallery of the Grand Guesthouse. Refreshments will be available and story creators will be invited to talk about their work. The installation will be in place for one week.

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Broken Hill is a city of lanes. These lanes have been the place of ordinary day-to-day activities, such as billy cart races and hanging the laundry. They have also seen less ordinary events such as floods, parties, police chases and two-up games.

Broken Hill is also a city of stories and a city with a long, strong and growing arts culture. There is an intention to establish a permanent Literature Lane to celebrate Broken Hill's poets and writers along with stories that have been told about Broken Hill.

Little Literature in the Lane will be a prelude to the Literature Lane. It is anticipated that some of the stories may find their way into the permanent collection of Literature Lane.

Little Literature has previously been presented in Broken Hill in 2015 in association with the Patton Village Community and Business Association and then again in 2016 as part of the Desert Equinox Solar Art Exhibition. On both occasions it has proven popular.

Little Literature is a project of the [Broken Hill Art Exchange](#) and [More Than Just Talk](#) with support from the Grand Guest House and Broken Hill City Council.