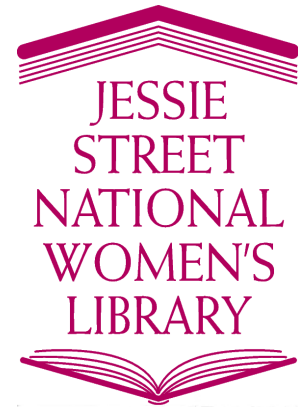


INVITATION

30th Annual Fundraising Luncheon

Strangers' Room
Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney

Monday, 7 September 2026
11:45am for 12:30pm



Members of the Board of the Jessie Street National Women's Library
cordially invite you to the Library's

30th Annual Fundraising Luncheon

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The Library is delighted to welcome **Debra Oswald** as our guest speaker for 2026. Debra, an acclaimed writer for stage, screen, radio, fiction and children's fiction and twice winner of the NSW Premier's Literary award, is internationally recognised for her stage plays and children's books. Debra was the creator and head writer for the successful series *Offspring* for which she won the 2011 NSW Premier's Literary Award and the 2014 Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Arts Award for best TV screenplay. Her other TV credits include *Police Rescue* and *Bananas in Pyjamas*.

Debra began writing as a teenager. Her first play, *Two Way Mirror*, was workshopped at the 1977 Australian National Playwrights Conference when she was seventeen and was later broadcast on ABC Radio. She attended the Australian National University and the Australian Film Television and Radio School. Many of Debra's plays have been toured throughout Australia. Her plays *Mr Bailey's Minder* and *The Peach Season* premiered at both the Griffin Theatre, Sydney and, in the United States, at the Walnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia. *Gary's House* was staged in Japanese in Tokyo by Rakutendan Theatre in 2008. She has published four novels, the latest being the highly acclaimed *One Hundred Years of Betty*.

Jessie Street National Women's Library was established in 1989 to collect and preserve women's literary and cultural heritage. Through the Library's collections, it aims to:

- heighten awareness of women's issues
- preserve material relating to Australian women's lives and experiences
- support the fields of women's history
- highlight the contribution of women to this country's development.

The Library was named in honour of Jessie Street who campaigned throughout her life for women's rights, equal opportunity, social justice for Indigenous people, and world peace. It is staffed by volunteers and is self-funding, relying on membership, donations, and fundraising events to cover acquisitions and operating costs.

The Annual Fundraising Luncheon at Parliament House is our main source of income. We hope you and your friends will be able to join us.

30th Annual Fundraising Luncheon, 7 September 2026

Booking and Payment Form - Please return by Friday 14 August 2026

Please complete this form and send, together with your payment to:

Jessie Street National Women's Library
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Sydney NSW 2001

Phone: (02) 9571 5359 | email: info@nationalwomenslibrary.org.au | ABN 42 276 162 418

Person organising booking:Attending function? Yes/No
 Name of school (if applicable):
 Postal address:

 Daytime telephone: ()..... Mobile:
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Booking confirmation will be sent by email/phone.

Ticket Prices (per person)	No. of Tickets Required	Cost per Ticket	Total Amount Payable
JSNWL Members		@ \$110.00	\$
Non-members of JSNWL		@ \$135.00	\$
School Students		@ \$ 95.00	\$
School staff (unless JSNWL member)		@ \$135.00	\$
Donation (tax deductible receipt issued for amounts over \$2)			\$
Total amount Payable			\$

Names of all attendees: *Note tables hold ten people*

Name	Library Member Y / N	Dietary Requirement/s	Name	Library Member Y / N	Dietary Requirement/s

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I/We would like to be at a table with:

Payment is required at time of booking. No refunds will be issued for cancellations after 14 August 2026.

Credit card VISA / MASTERCARD (only)

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