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**'CCLC ANNOUNCES BUMPER PROGRAM, BUILDING ON A DECADE OF SUCCESS'**

The Curtis Coast Literary Carnivale is 'one of the most successful and well-run festivals in Australia. It doesn't get better than this,' Jackie French, *Gladstone Observer*, 25 July 2012.

The CCLC has released further details of its sixth biennial program (27–30 July 2014). Building on ten successful years, including alternate year projects, it introduces exciting new features, in an evolving, eagerly-anticipated program. Acclaimed authors and illustrators to attend are:

**TRISTAN BANCKS, PETER CARNAVAS, SARAH DAVIS, ANNA FIENBERG, NARELLE OLIVER and JAMES ROY.**

**You will meet some of your favourite creators, books will be launched, stories told, and loads of fun will be had!**

The presenters in 2014 will build on the audiences established by our previous guests: In 2013, we welcomed the inaugural Australian Children's Laureate, Alison Lester, to conduct our alternate year project; In 2012, the second and current Australian Children's Laureate, Jackie French, was one of our six guest presenters, joining Frances Watts (who won the Prime Minister's Literary Award that year), and David Legge, Anne Spudvilas, Pat Flynn and Deb Abela, who entranced their audiences. Between our inaugural festival in 2005 and 2010 we welcomed a cavalcade of twenty other creators who established a real literary buzz in the community... and in 2014 it will be no different.

To kick off this Carnivale, on Sunday 27 July, the *WRITE ON!* Writing and Illustrating Workshops for Adults will include additional workshops for Teenagers, followed by the fabulous Literary Dinner at Scotties Bar & Restaurant.

Presenters will then deliver over 50 SCHOOL SESSIONS, from Monday 28 – Wednesday 30 July, which will take place, as in previous years, at CQUniversity Australia, Tannum Sands SS and Calliope SS. (2012 school sessions were attended by 3900 students, and overall participation in all CCLC activities totalled over 7400 adults and young people.)

*THE PICTURE BOOK ART OF PETER CARNAVAS, SARAH DAVIS AND NARELLE OLIVER* – Another stunning illustrators' exhibition curated for the CCLC by the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum – will be displayed, this time featuring three artists, and a diverse range of work including collage, linocuts and drawing. Exhibition Launch will be at 6.00pm on 28 July RSVP GRAGM ph 07 4976 6766 email [gragm@gladstonerc.qld.gov.au](mailto:gragm@gladstonerc.qld.gov.au) Schools may also arrange exhibition visits from 27 June – 2 August 2014.

Two new features have been introduced in 2014:

- The *NET A STORY: BOOK TRAILERS PROJECT* invites local students to create book trailers on our guest authors and illustrators.
- The CCLC is also presenting *A CELEBRATION OF MANGA AND ANIME* (27 July–3 August 2014) in conjunction with the Sister City/Saiki partnership, which will be launched at the opening of Gladstone's Multicultural Week on Friday 25 July 2014, and will be viewed by students who attend sessions at CQU.

**Bookings open 22 April 2014. Mark that date in your diary!**



For further **information**: visit CCLC website <<http://carnivale.gladstonerc.qld.gov.au/>> or contact Sue Norris (Gladstone City Library) ph 4976 6414 email [suen@gladstonerc.qld.gov.au](mailto:suen@gladstonerc.qld.gov.au)

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