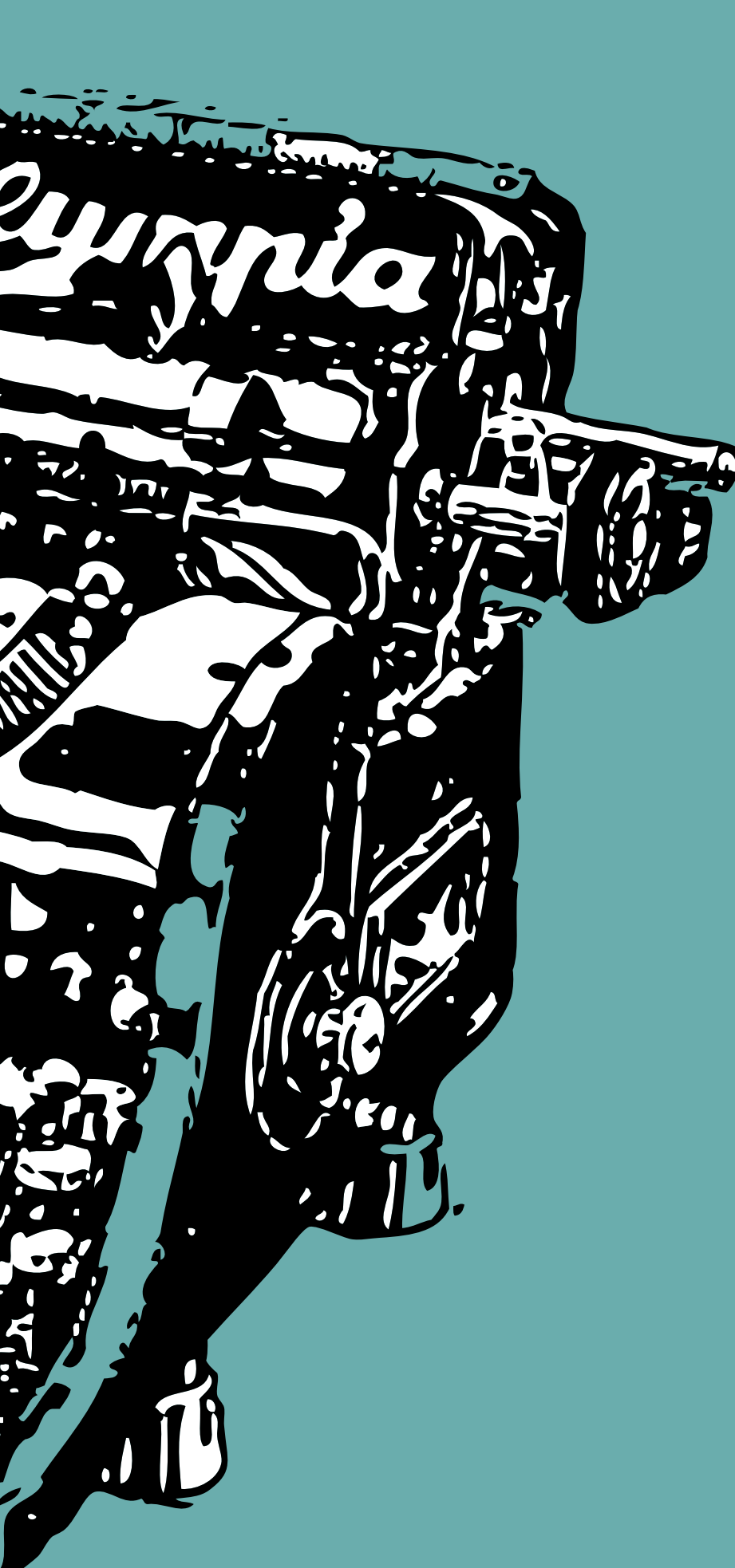




KSP FELLOWSHIPS 2027

Definitions, Guidelines and FAQs

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KSP's annual literary, residency and fellowship programs are proudly sponsored by the KSP Foundation with generous support from the Shire of Mundaring.

DEFINITIONS & GUIDELINES

Key Dates:

- Applications open 15 August 2026
- Applications close 27 September 2026 (11:59pm AWST)
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome within 8 weeks of the closing date.

Full Fellowship:

A two-week subsidised writing retreat in one of the KSP cabins.

Flash Fellowship:

A one-week subsidised writing retreat in one of the KSP cabins.

Micro Fellowship:

A three-night subsidised writing retreat in one of the KSP cabins.

CaLD Fellowship:

A one-week fully funded writing retreat in one of the KSP cabins, awarded annually to a writer who identifies as Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD), sponsored by the KSP Foundation and supported by the Shire of Mundaring.

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD):

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD) applies to writers who were born overseas, speak English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D), or represent a different cultural background. Writers who are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander are also eligible for this fellowship category.

Literary Resume:

Any relevant work history or study; publications, writing achievements (e.g. residencies, fellowships or grants); and community engagement with the writing sector (e.g. membership with a writing group or centre, event attendance, volunteering). One page maximum.

Writing Sample Guidelines:

- Maximum 1000 words (+/- 250 words)
- 12-point font
- 1.5 line spacing
- Poets may submit up to 10 pages of poetry in lieu of a 1,000-word prose sample (one poem per page unless very short or part of a series, standard 12-pt font and single-spaced, unless the poems layout requires otherwise).

Selection Process

A minimum of 12 fellowships will be awarded across all categories. Only one CaLD Fellowship will be awarded. Applications will be assessed based on the quality of their writing sample, commitment to developing the project and their craft, and engagement with the writing sector.

Workshop

A two- to three-hour in-person session facilitated by the fellow during a Full Fellowship at KSP Writers' Centre. The topic should be an area of particular interest or expertise and include a relevant presentation and/or writing activities. KSP will organise the ticketing and promotion of this workshop, in collaboration with the fellow.

Artistic Report

A short report provided to KSP as feedback on the Centre and our programs. This will be used to improve our services and may be used for grant applications and/or acquittals by the Centre, but will not be made public. 300 words minimum.

Publication Report

A short piece of writing provided to KSP for use in promoting our Centre and programs, including your top three tips on making the most of a KSP Fellowship. This report could be used as a blog post on the KSP website, in the KSP newsletter, or on social media. 300 words minimum.



FULL FELLOWSHIP

COST: \$800

CABIN STAY: TWO WEEKS

CHECK-IN: MONDAY

CHECK-OUT: SUNDAY

A WRITING RETREAT FOR
DEEP ENGAGEMENT

Eligibility

To apply, you must:

- Be an Australian resident
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be working on a substantial manuscript project in any genre (including graphic novels, poetry, fiction, non-fiction, memoir, hybrid, and script)
- Demonstrate recent dedication to furthering your writing craft through study (e.g. tertiary study, short courses, mentoring) and/or engagement with the writing community (e.g. active membership with a writing group or centre, attendance at writing events)

NB: Applicants may also be a creative writing student currently completing an Honours, Masters, or PhD thesis in creative writing.

Expectations and Requirements

- Upon the return of your signed contract, you must pay a \$100 non-refundable deposit to secure your fellowship dates
- You are required to pay the remaining balance at least 21 days before the start of your fellowship stay
- During your two-week fellowship, you are expected to progress a current writing project
- At the conclusion of your fellowship, you are asked to submit one artistic report and one publication report.

OPTIONAL Workshop Proposal

- A \$100 discount may apply to those who successfully pitch a workshop to facilitate during a Full Fellowship (workshop approved at the discretion of the KSP selection process)
- Pitching a workshop is completely optional and will not affect your chances of being selected for a fellowship
- If you are interested, include a workshop proposal (one page maximum) as part of your application materials (see **Fellowship Supporting Document** for an outline)



FLASH FELLOWSHIP

COST: \$500

CABIN STAY: ONE WEEK

CHECK-IN: MONDAY

CHECK-OUT: SUNDAY

A WRITING RETREAT FOR
MEANINGFUL DEVELOPMENT

Eligibility

To apply, you must:

- Be an Australian resident
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be working on a substantial manuscript project in any genre (including graphic novels, poetry, fiction, non-fiction, memoir, hybrid, and script)
- Demonstrate recent dedication to furthering your writing craft through study (e.g. tertiary study, short courses, mentoring) and/or engagement with the writing community (e.g. active membership with a writing group or centre, attendance at writing events)

NB: Applicants may also be a creative writing student currently completing an Honours, Masters, or PhD thesis in creative writing.

Expectations and Requirements

- Upon the return of your signed contract, you must pay a \$100 non-refundable deposit to secure your fellowship dates
- You are required to pay the remaining balance at least 21 days before the start of your fellowship stay
- During your one-week fellowship, you are expected to progress a current writing project
- At the conclusion of your fellowship, you are asked to submit one artistic report and one publication report.

NB: Due to the short duration of the Flash Fellowship, this category is not offered the discount in exchange for a workshop.



Eligibility

To apply, you must:

- Be an Australian resident
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be working on a substantial manuscript project in any genre (including graphic novels, poetry, fiction, non-fiction, memoir, hybrid, and script)
- Demonstrate recent dedication to furthering your writing craft through study (e.g. tertiary study, short courses, mentoring) and/or engagement with the writing community (e.g. active membership with a writing group or centre, attendance at writing events)

NB: Applicants may also be a creative writing student currently completing an Honours, Masters, or PhD thesis in creative writing.

Expectations and Requirements

- Upon the return of your signed contract, you must pay a \$100 non-refundable deposit to secure your fellowship dates
- You are required to pay the remaining balance at least 21 days before the start of your fellowship stay
- During your three-night fellowship, you are expected to progress a current writing project
- At the conclusion of your fellowship, you are asked to submit one artistic report and one publication report.

NB: Due to the short duration of the Micro Fellowship, this category is not offered the discount in exchange for a workshop.

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MICRO FELLOWSHIP

COST: \$300

CABIN STAY: THREE NIGHTS

CHECK-IN: THURSDAY

CHECK-OUT: SUNDAY

A WRITING RETREAT FOR
PROJECT IGNITION



CALD FELLOWSHIP

COST: FULLY FUNDED

CABIN STAY: ONE WEEK

CHECK-IN: MONDAY

CHECK-OUT: SUNDAY

A WRITING RETREAT FOR
DIVERSE VOICES

Eligibility

To apply, you must:

- Be an Australian resident
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Identify as Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD), or be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- Be working on a substantial manuscript project in any genre (including graphic novels, poetry, fiction, non-fiction, memoir, hybrid, and script)
- Demonstrate recent dedication to furthering your writing craft through study (e.g. tertiary study, short courses, mentoring) and/or engagement with the writing community (e.g. active membership with a writing group or centre, attendance at writing events)

NB: Applicants may also be a creative writing student currently completing an Honours, Masters, or PhD thesis in creative writing.

Expectations and Requirements

- As a fully funded placement, your fellowship dates will be secured upon the return of your signed contract
- During your one-week fellowship, you are expected to progress a current writing project
- At the conclusion of your fellowship, you are asked to submit one artistic report and one publication report.

NB: Due to the fully funded nature of the CaLD Fellowship, this category is not offered the discount in exchange for a workshop.

FAQs

What should I prepare for the Supporting Fellowship Document?

The **Supporting Fellowship Document** asks applicants to supply the following information (refer to the document on our website for more details):

1. **Literary resume:** Relevant work history or study; publications, writing achievements (e.g. residencies, fellowships or grants); and community engagement with the writing sector (e.g. membership with a writing group or centre, event attendance, or volunteering). One page maximum.
2. **Project details:** Outline the project you will develop and how you will use the fellowship time. Two pages maximum.
3. **Sample of work:** A sample of polished work from your project. Choose a sample that best showcases your writing quality and style. Max 1000 words (+/- 250).
4. **Workshop proposal (optional):** Outline your workshop idea. One page maximum.

NB: Please follow all guidelines and limits (if applicable) to ensure your application is valid.

Is there a cost to apply?

No, but applicants need to be a current financial member of KSP Writers' Centre to be eligible. Visit the KSP website to sign up or renew your membership.

NB: Interstate and regional applicants qualify for the 'Country' category. Also note that the WA Writers United (WAWU) collaborative membership does not apply in this instance. You can check your membership status with KSP staff.

Can previous residents or fellows apply?

Yes, residency participants can apply for a fellowship the following year.

Fellows can re-apply two years after their last fellowship, provided their final reports were submitted on time. For example, if you completed a fellowship in 2024 (or earlier), you are eligible to apply for the 2027 Fellowship Program.

Do I need a car for my fellowship?

If you are travelling interstate and would like the option to drive yourself around, we recommend hiring a car. Otherwise, if you are not planning to explore the area, you can just book a taxi/Uber for your arrival and return trip. Our nearest shopping centres are a short drive away, but there are delivery services available from nearby vendors.

What does the KSP Writers' Centre look like?

You can find photos of the grounds, cabins and heritage-listed house in this document, on our website and on our social media pages. If you'd like to see a specific area, please contact office@kspwriterscentre.com with your request.

Will I be staying alone at KSP?

We have three cabins available, so fellows will usually have the company of at least one other writer while at KSP. We also have regular writing groups at the Centre so there are plenty of opportunities to meet people. We do our best to book fellows together, but occasionally preferred dates do not align with other cabin residents.

How do I apply?

1. Check Your Eligibility

- Read this document to determine the right category for you.

2. Prepare Your Materials

- Download the **Supporting Fellowship Document** (template available on the KSP website under the heading 'Before Applying').

3. Gather Additional Materials

- Prepare your literary resume, writing sample, workshop proposal (optional) and author headshot.

4. Become a KSP Member

- You must be a current member to apply. If unsure of your status, contact KSP staff.

5. Create a Submittable Account

- Sign up (or log in) at [Submittable.com](https://www.submittable.com) (free account) and pre-read all questions.

6. Complete Your Application

- Once ready to submit, click the Submittable link on the KSP website and choose the Fellowship portal.
- Fill out all required fields, upload your documents, and sign the Terms of Use.

7. Final Review & Submit

- Proofread your application carefully before submitting.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Contact the KSP Writers' Centre office on 08 9294 1872 or office@kspwriterscentre.com

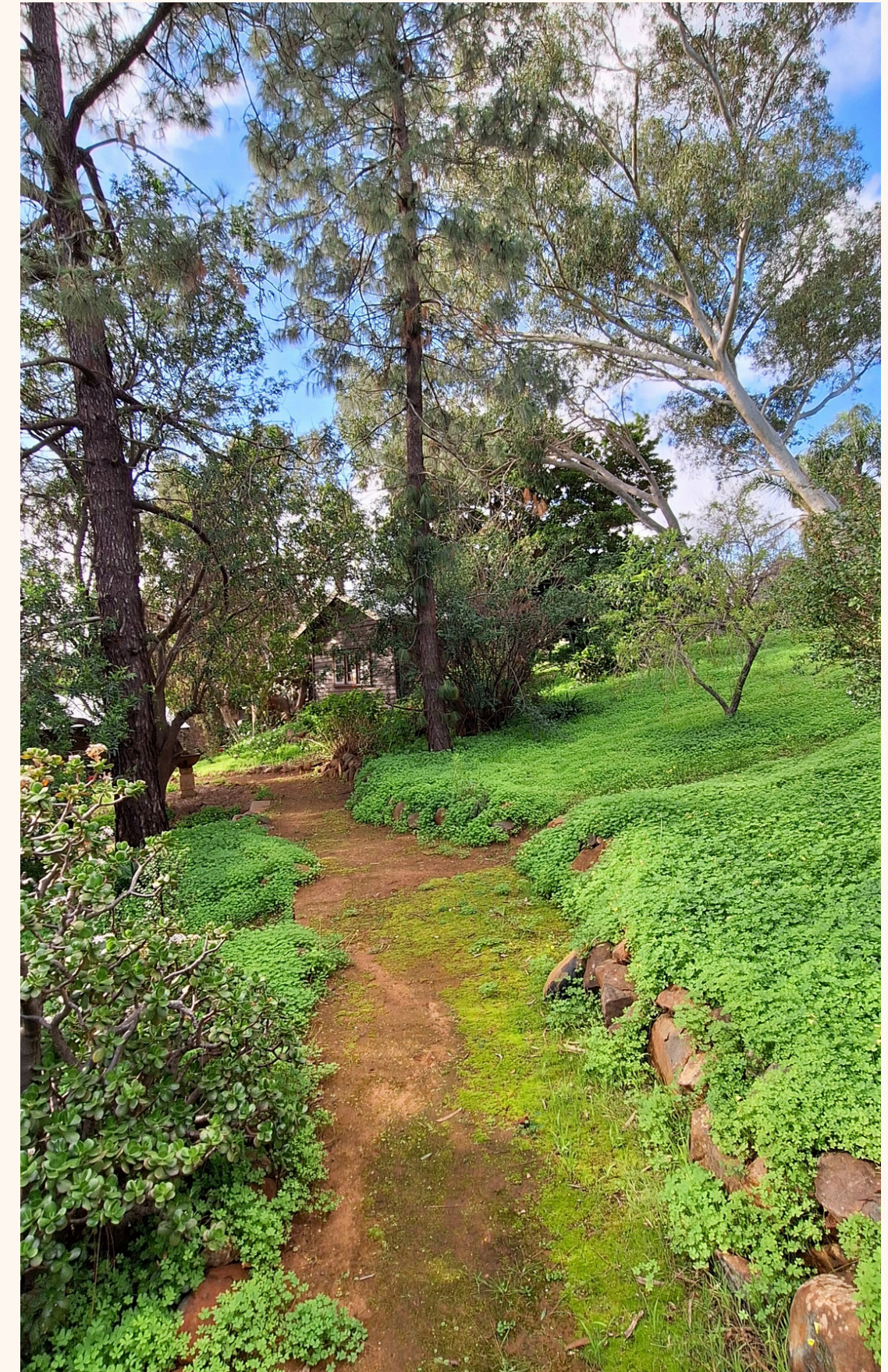
GROUNDS



Front of the house



Top of the garden



Bottom of the garden

HERITAGE-LISTED HOUSE



Library



Function Room



Living Area

CABINS



Bed & Kitchenette



Desk



Bathroom



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