

National Cultural Policy Submission

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Short submission (text box 500 words or less)

I am an emerging author currently studying at [REDACTED]. Considering recent official decisions to cease funding of certain state creative non profit organizations, I am concerned about the future of writers especially within the state of Victoria.

I am grateful for the initiatives introduced in Revive to assist with the sustainability of author and illustrator careers. However, since the introduction of Revive, authors have been facing increasingly precarious conditions. Without immediate support, we risk the viability of the book industry in Australia.

I am calling for:

- Full funding of grants, fellowships, and creative organisations at a federal and state level (Including the reinstatement of funding to Writers Victoria)
- Better legislation and legal protections from the rampant thievery of AI by tech oligarchies.
- Tax reform to support author careers up to and including; tax-free literary prizes and grants, and a tax-free threshold for writers and illustrators
- Investment in First Nations-led writing and publishing.
- Every school (public and private) to be equipped with a staffed library

Please do not allow our country to fail the creative spirit of mankind.

Yours sincerely,

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