

Playwrights

Mona Brand
Gwen Meredith
Marguerite Dale

MONA ALEXIS BRAND went to Chatswood Primary School. When she lived at Neutral Bay, she would visit her uncle in Chatswood.

To begin with, the Cremorne house has been exchanged for a small flat in Chatswood
The second memory I have of his visit is sitting with him on the back verandah of the Chatswood Flat
Cremorne & Chatswood

Mona was a trailblazing Australian poet, author and a prolific playwright, writing nearly 30 plays. Her work, which often addressed socially relevant and controversial topics has been performed on stage, radio and television in Australia, England, Eastern

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Europe and India.

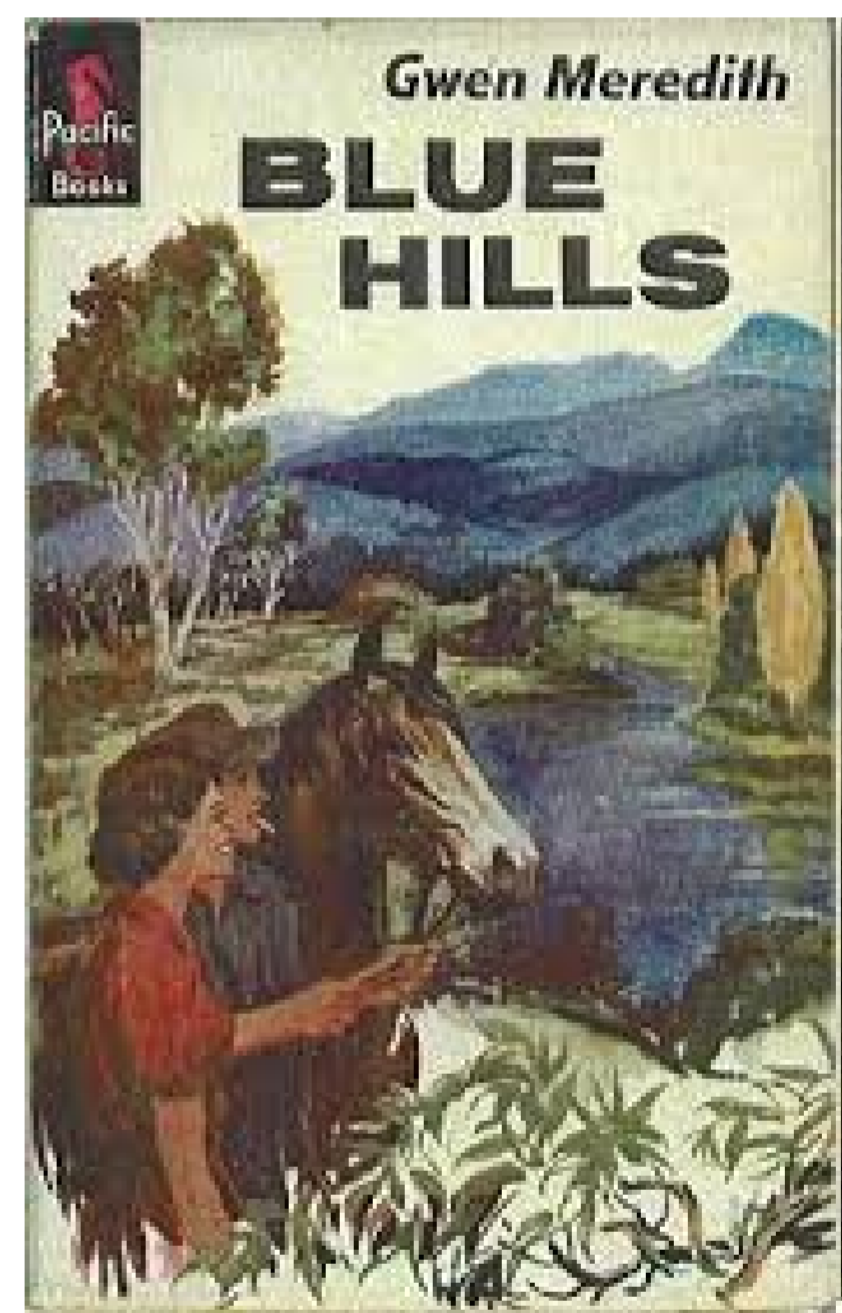
Starting in 2016, the Mona Brand Award is presented biennially to an “outstanding Australian woman writing for the stage or screen” (\$30,000). An additional award of \$10,000 is presented to a female writer for stage or screen in the early stages of her

MARGUERITE LUDOVIA DALE

lived at Chatswood. She was a feminist who was related to Hamilton Hume the explorer and was well known in Sydney's literary and theatrical circles. She often wrote articles under her pen name of 'Femina'.



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GWEN MEREDITH lived at Castlecrag. She is probably best known for her long-running ABC Radio serial Blue Hills.

We came to Castlecrag in 1949.
And here on the waterfront, was a wooden building
- small, very old and not quite upright.
We were told it had originally been built as a fishing shack.