

## The Horne Prize

### The Horne Prize 2018 awarded to Daniel James

Aesop and *The Saturday Paper* take great pleasure in announcing that Melbourne writer Daniel James has won the 2018 round of The Horne Prize, worth \$15,000, for his essay *Ten More Days*—a unique, affecting account of intergenerational trauma.

In making their selection, the judges said: 'This essay is a truthful work about a difficult subject. It takes the reader to an intimate place but then asks that they respect the sanctity of that place, that they accept the balance between memoir and intrusion.'

*Ten More Days* will be published in *The Saturday Paper* on December 22 and available as a stand-alone publication in Aesop's Australian stores for a limited time from the end of December.

Daniel James is a Yorta Yorta man living on Wurrundjeri land. He is a writer and advocate who has contributed to various publications, including SBS and IndigenousX.

Launched in August 2016 by Aesop and *The Saturday Paper*, the major annual prize is named for the late Donald Horne AO, in honour

of his exceptional contribution to Australian letters. An eminent author, editor, journalist, academic and public intellectual, he is widely remembered for his book *The Lucky Country*, an incisive critique of Australian culture first published in 1964.

The 2018 judging panel comprised Erik Jensen, editor-in-chief of *The Saturday Paper*; Suzanne Santos, Aesop's General Manager, Retail and Customer Service; and Professor Marcia Langton AM.

Opening and closing dates for the next round of The Horne Prize will be announced in mid-2019. The inaugural winner was Melbourne novelist and non-fiction writer Anna Spargo-Ryan, for *The Suicide Gene*. In 2017, the prize was awarded to Adelaide critic, writer and former academic Dr Kerry Goldsworthy, for *The Limit of the World*.

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