

The Saturday Paper and Aesop are proud to announce that entries are now open for **The Horne Prize.**

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The Horne Prize, now in its second year, will be awarded for an original essay of up to 3000 words, written between July 13 and September 18, 2017. All Australian writers are invited to enter and the winner of the prize will receive \$15,000 and have their essay published in *The Saturday Paper*.

Submissions to this year's prize should once again address the theme 'Australian life'. Essays should be based on in-depth reportage and bring light to a particular person or issue affecting our nation.

Erik Jensen, editor-in-chief, *The Saturday Paper*: *Last year's prize uncovered a wealth of insight and poignancy. This year, we hope to find essays that capture the reality of life in Australia – that offer glimpses of unseen worlds, or tease the meaning out of the everyday. As Donald Horne did with his journalism, we want essays that look unflinchingly at Australian truths, that chronicle the essence of what it is to be in this country at this moment.*

Suzanne Santos, General Manager, Retail and Customer Service, Aesop: *We are proud to have partnered with The Saturday Paper since 2014, finding much common ground in an appreciation of the written word and its capacity to change lives. And we take pleasure in celebrating Donald Horne's legacy by encouraging new writing of merit. Last year, more than 700 entries told us that others share our enthusiasm, and we look forward again to accomplished work that stimulates discussions of consequence.*

The Details

- The Horne Prize is valued at \$15,000
- All Australian writers are invited to enter
- Essays should be no more than 3000 words
- Entries are open until September 18.
- A shortlist will be announced on November 17
- The winner will be announced at a dinner reception on December 4
- The winning essay will be published in *The Saturday Paper* on December 23.

For any media enquiries regarding this year's prize, please contact: media@thehorneprize.com.au