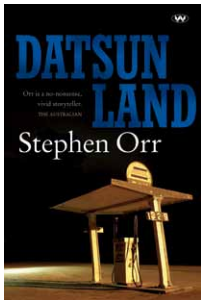




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Datsunland

STEPHEN ORR

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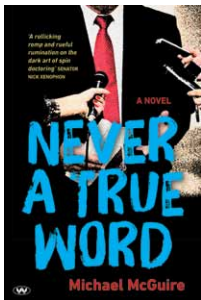
Stephen Orr's stories are happy to let you in, but not out. In *Datsunland*, his characters are outsiders peering into worlds they don't recognise, or understand: an Indian doctor arriving in the outback, discovering an uncomfortable truth about the Australian dream; a family trying to have their son's name removed from a Great War cowards' list; a confused teenager with a gun making an ad for an evangelical ministry.

Each story is set in a place where, as Borges described, 'heaven and hell seem out of proportion'. There is no easy escape from the world's most desperate car yard, or the school with a secret that permeates all but one of the fourteen stories in *Datsunland*. Here is a glimpse of inner lives, love, the astonishment of being ourselves.

Latest from Stephen Orr



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Never a True Word

MICHAEL MCGUIRE

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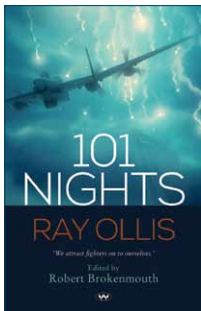
Politics – it's a place for shiny people with ugly souls. As a journalist Jack thought he'd met every shade of nutter, narcissist and bully to be found. But then he took a job in politics and discovered he'd only scratched the surface. Even better, it's Jack's job to maintain the pretence that all is normal, that our political masters have everyone's best interests at heart, that politics is not just a collection of attentionseeking egomaniacs looking for somewhere to park their character defects.

Yes, Jack is a political spin doctor. His new boss, Ray Sloan, is terrifying – and that's on his good days – and his former friends in the media regard him as a turncoat and a traitor. Elections, budgets and blackmail – it's all part of the bizarre world Jack now finds himself in.

Political thriller



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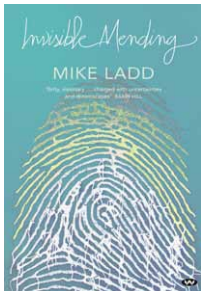
The bombing campaign to destroy Hitler's Nazi Germany was waged by Allied flyers from not only England and the US, but also with many Australian men like Ray Ollis. Flying as a navigator, Ray was assigned to 101 Squadron operating the famed Lancaster bomber, fitted with the latest electronic warfare measures.

Ray Ollis's lightly fictionalised record of his own experiences flying over the heart of Germany at night provides a gripping account of this critical phase of history.

Gripping military tale



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Invisible Mending

MIKE LADD

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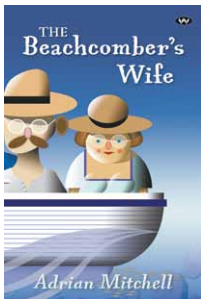
Mike Ladd's new collection *Invisible Mending* ranges across genres including essay, memoir, short story and poetry. Based loosely on the ideas of scarring and healing, *Invisible Mending* extends from family intimacies to connection and disconnection in the Australian community, environmental damage and repair. It also has an international view. Parts of it were written at an artist's residency in Malaysia and while travelling through South America.

Individual works have appeared in both the Best Australian Stories and Best Australian Poems series, leading Australian newspapers and magazines, and publications in the UK and USA. Barry Hill has described Mike Ladd's writing as 'flinty, visionary poetry'.

The latest from Mike Ladd



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The Beachcomber's Wife

ADRIAN MITCHELL

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It should have been a paradise, but paradise is what you lose, it is what you might have had.

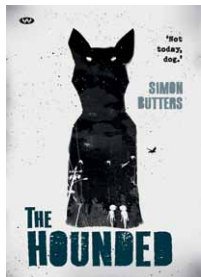
An elderly woman who has lived for many years on a tropical island off the Queensland coast with her beachcomber husband waits for help from the mainland. For three harrowing days, alone. He has died, his body lies in their cabin just up from the beach, and while she awaits help she reviews her reclusive life there, of nearly 25 years with him. She is a woman with a glint in her mind's eye.

The Beachcomber's Wife draws upon the published writings of E.J. Banfield, who lived an isolated life with his wife Bertha on Dunk Island through the first decades of the twentieth century. He made very little reference to her in his work (*Confessions of a Beachcomber* and others). This account imagines what it might have been like from her point of view. It follows Banfield's practice, of fact cemented with fiction.

A true tropical island story



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On his fifteenth birthday, Monty is at rock bottom. Ignored by his parents, bullied at school, and with a brain that's prone to go walkabout, he's all by himself. Until he meets the black dog for the first time.

It's just like any other dog, except that only Monty can see it. And it talks. And Monty's not sure whether it's a friend - or a foe. But the black dog gets him talking to pretty, popular Eliza Robertson for the first time. It takes him to places he's never been. And eventually it will take him, and the people around him, to the very edge.

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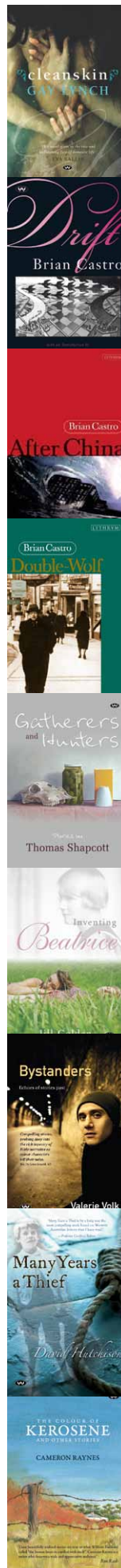
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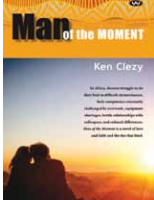
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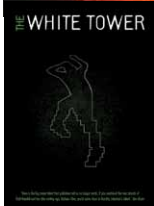
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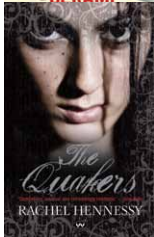
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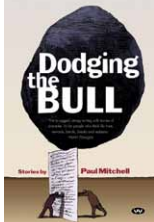
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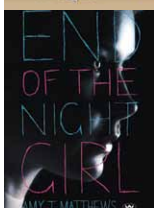
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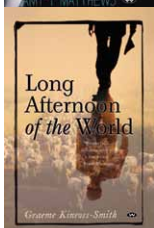
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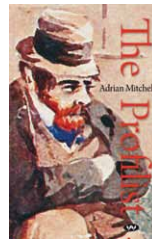
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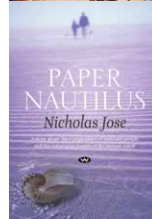
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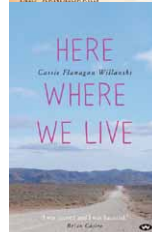
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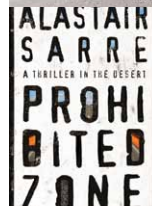
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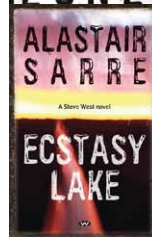
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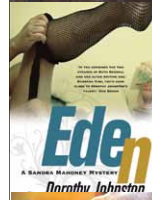
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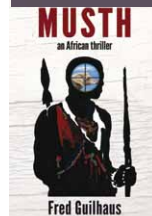
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