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Deadline looms for manuscript entries in prestigious Stanner Award

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Aspiring and emerging Indigenous authors, scholars and academics have less than three weeks to submit manuscripts in the enhanced and prestigious Stanner Award 2011.

Entries for the Award will close at 5.00 pm, Monday 31 January 2011.

The Award, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) in Canberra, was established in 1985 as part of AIATSIS' commitment to facilitating and publishing high-quality research in Australian Indigenous studies.

Named in honour of the late Emer. Professor W.E.H. (Bill) Stanner, the Award recognises the significance of his contribution to the establishment and development of the Institute.

The Award has been significantly enhanced since last awarded in 2009.

For the first time, the Stanner Award has been opened up to all aspiring Indigenous authors where as previously it was restricted to published authors.

The author of this year's winning submission will receive \$5000 in prize money, out-of-pocket expenses, an inscribed glass statuette and mentoring and editorial support to turn their manuscript into a publication.

Aboriginal Studies Press, the award-winning publishing arm of AIATSIS, will publish the winning manuscript, but all manuscripts submitted will still be considered for possible future publication.

The winner will be announced during NAIDOC Week in July 2011.

Entry forms, eligibility guidelines and further information about the award are available from the on AIATSIS' website: www.aiatsis.gov.au.

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