Please find the attached list of placements for entries in the 2024 Laura Literary Awards.

I would like to thank you all for supporting our competition and congratulate you on being selected by our judging panels for inclusion in this year's publication. It was great to see increased entries in the Young Adult sections for both poetry and prose this year. Once again, we thank teachers for promoting this competition in the classroom and hope it motivates students to continue writing and to edit their work until it is the best they can produce.

We would like to invite those living within travel distance to come to our presentation event to receive their award in person and perhaps read their work to our audience. This event will be held in the Gilbert White Community Centre, Gladstone, SA at 2pm on Saturday 20th July.

If you would like to purchase a booklet of winning entries at a cost of \$15, please let us know by emailing rockyriverriters@hotmail.com and making a direct transfer to Rocky River 'Riters

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Results of Adult Poetry from Laura Literary Awards 2024

Open Poetry

Winner Wayne Eaton Keeping Time Clare SA

Highly commended David Stanley The Carpenter's Bench Bathurst NSW

Commended Brenda-Joy Pritchard Legacy for a Soldier Charters Towers Qld

Bush Poetry

Winner Tom McIlveen The Return of Thunderbolt Port Macquarie NSW

Highly Commended Tom McIlveen *The Dairy* Port Macquarie NSW

Commended Tom McIlveen When Angels Come Port Macquarie NSW