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National literary finalists to visit Burnie

SOME of the country's most celebrated authors will visit Burnie as part of the prestigious Miles Franklin Literary Award 2007.

Deborah Robertson, Alexis Wright and Gail Jones are among this year's award shortlist and will be appearing at the UTAS Cradle Coast campus on Wednesday, May 2 from 6pm.

The evening will offer a rare opportunity to meet the authors and hear them talk of their literary journeys.

The Burnie event is part of the Miles Franklin Literary Award 2007 shortlisted authors touring program.

The three authors (Deborah Robertson, Alexis Wright and Gail Jones) will tour the state next month visiting Launceston on May 1 and Hobart on May 3.

The Miles Franklin Literary Award was established in 1954 and celebrates and nurtures Australian-based literature.

Peter Carey was the fourth author to be shortlisted for the award. The 2007 winner will be announced on Thursday, June 21.

The Burnie event will be held at the UTAS Cradle Coast campus, 16-20 Mooreville Road, Burnie. Bookings are essential.

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