



ROMANCE
WRITERS
of Australia

RWA Contests

Check the website for full terms and conditions and details of opening and closing dates for the relevant contest year.

**ENTRANTS
SUBMIT**

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INCLUSIVE OF GST

THE RUBY	RIPPING START	FIRST KISS
A commercially available romance or romantic elements book of at least 10,000 words, first published in Australia or New Zealand between 1 January and 31 December of the contest year, inclusive	(1) The first 1,500 words (maximum) of an unpublished, 10,000 word romance or romantic elements manuscript (2) A 300 word (maximum) synopsis	(1) One scene ONLY (no more than 1,500 words) depicting the first kiss between the protagonists of a romance or romantic elements manuscript (2) a half-page set up to introduce the scene
Any member of RWA, or any Australian or New Zealand author who has published a romance, or romantic elements book in the relevant contest year	Any Aspiring or Emerging member of RWA	Any Aspiring or Emerging member of RWA
All entries are judged by three anonymous reader judges	All entries are judged by at least three anonymous reader/writer judges .The top six entries progress to final judging by an industry judge	All entries are judged by at least three anonymous reader/writer judges .The top six entries progress to final judging by an industry judge
AUD \$69.00 (member) AUD \$179.00 (non-member)	AUD\$39.00	AUD\$39.00

"Anyone who says writing is easy isn't doing it right." - Amy Joy