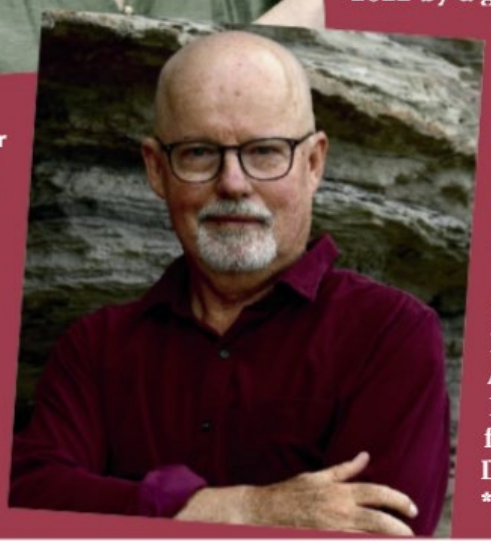
# Readers Festival returns

The biennial Northern Beaches Readers Festival (NBRF) returns on 25-27 September, with writers including Michael Robotham, Natasha Lester, Tara Rae Moss, Jane Caro and Chris Hammer visiting Avalon Recreation Centre to discuss the themes of their works and mingle with readers in a relaxed and friendly environment.





**AUTHORS: Sandie Docker and Michael Robotham.**

The festival includes 19 panel sessions on topics as diverse as the dark side of technology, reclaiming women's histories, Australia's gritty crime landscape and the new wave of romance.

There will be three 'In conversation' events with some of Australia's most loved authors, two writing workshops from Pamela Cook and Hayley Scrivenor, a book club to discuss Liane Moriarty's new book *Big Little Truths*, three low-cost 'Festival fivers' for a peak into the industry, and a closing great debate on "whether the villain is more interesting than the hero".

The festival was established in 2022 by a group of local authors wanting to provide a platform for genres such as crime, romance, historical fiction and women's fiction – genres that are often overlooked by other literary festivals.

Unlike many literary festivals in Australia, NBRF has 100% focus on Australian authors and 100% on fiction, said festival director Sandie Docker.

***Tickets** nbrf.com.au