One of Western Australia's most loved authors, Tim Winton, visited Subiaco Library this week to celebrate the finalists of the 2017 Tim Winton Award for Young Writers and commemorate the award's twenty-fifth anniversary.

Almost 1450 young authors entered the creative writing award, which is open to primary and secondary school students across the state. Entrants hailed from Denmark to Duncraig and Waikrakine to Wembley.

Seventeen students were recognised for excellence in writing and Tim Winton praised their very impressive use of language. He also spoke of the importance of storytelling and referred to the stories we tell as the "bedrock of our culture".

The overall winner of the 2017 Tim Winton Award for Young Writers was Josianne Belyea, a year nine student from St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls, for her story, The Girl in the Dusty Jeans.

The finalists' stories can be read online at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/timwintonaward. They are also on display at Subiaco Library until Sunday 17 September.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING: TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

The next Development Services Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 September at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers at the City of Subiaco Administration Centre, 241 Rokeby Road, Subiaco. Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting and have the opportunity to ask questions or make statements. For more information and the meeting agenda, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An ordinary postal election will be held on Saturday 21 October 2017 in the City of Subiaco to fill the following vacancies:

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Nominations open on Thursday 7 September 2017. Nominations close on 4pm on Thursday 14 September 2017.

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

• at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
• between 2pm and 4pm on Thursday 14 September 2017 (close of nominations) at the City of Subiaco, 241 Rokeby Road, Subiaco.

Nomination requirements

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

• a completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. (This form is available from the Returning Officer, the Western Australian Electoral Commission or the City of Subiaco),
• a single A4 page profile containing not more than 150 words of information about the candidate,
• a nomination deposit of $80 (cash, bank cheque or postal order),
• a recent passport-sized photograph (optional).

The commission has developed an online system called Nomination Builder to assist candidates to complete their nomination form, which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by the commission. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form – which has a reference number allocated – and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The nomination builder can be accessed at www.elections.wa.gov.au.

MINOR REPAIRS ON ROKEBY ROAD

On Monday 4 September, a small section of Rokeby Road will undergo minor repairs to rectify works completed by the Water Corporation. The resurfacing works will take place in the northbound lane of Rokeby Road, between Bagot and Barker roads, and are estimated to take approximately three hours. The city apologises for any inconvenience.

CR GEDERO NOTCHES UP 25 YEARS OF JP SERVICE

Congratulations to Councillor Judith Gedero who was recently recognised by the Royal Association of Justices for twenty-five years of service as a Justice of the Peace. The City of Subiaco offers a Justice of the Peace service for local community members who need documentation witnessed, and Councillor Gedero helps to facilitate this service. To access the service, visit the Administration Centre at 241 Rokeby Road, Subiaco, on Tuesdays or Wednesdays between 2pm and 3pm.

APPLY FOR A GRANT OF UP TO $5000

The City of Subiaco is on the look-out for projects and activities that promote wellbeing and a sense of community. Funding of up to $5000 is available as part of our twice-yearly community development grants program and the cut-off for the next round is fast approaching.

Grants are targeted at local, not-for-profit groups that contribute to a vibrant, diverse community culture. Examples of previous grant-funded initiatives include open days for community facilities, awards nights for charitable organisations and the purchase of equipment for associations.

Applications close at 4pm on Friday 29 September. For more information, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/grants.