



EUREKA'S CHILDREN ANNUAL EUREKA DEMOCRACY AWARD DINNER

VENUE: AMORA HOTEL, 649 BRIDGE ROAD, RICHMOND

Friday November 23, 2018 - 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

THE EVENING COMMEMORATES AND CELEBRATES THE 164th ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1854 EUREKA EVENTS WITH THE EUREKA DEMOCRACY AWARD AND ADDRESS.

GUEST SPEAKER: PROFESSOR CLARE WRIGHT

"The Forgotten Rebels of Australian Democracy"



Clare Wright is an Australian historian, broadcaster and Associate Professor of History at [La Trobe University](http://LaTrobeUniversity) and author of the acclaimed, *The Forgotten Rebels of Eureka*, which retells one of Australia's foundation stories from a new perspective. For Eureka's Children, this remarkable book is a fresh and pivotal promotion of the story of Eureka, which details the contribution of the women who participated at Eureka and their legacy in shaping Australian democracy. The Book won the 2014 Stella Prize and 2014 Nib Waverley Library Award for Literature, was shortlisted for the Prime Minister's Literary Awards, Queensland Literary Awards, NSW Premier's History Prize, the WA Premier's Book Awards and the Victorian Community History Awards and was longlisted for a Walkley Award. The book is currently being adapted for a television drama series by Ruby Entertainment (*The Secret River*) with a pilot script by Hollywood screenwriter Anne Kenney (*Outlander*, *ER*, *LA Law*). What a tremendous way for the Eureka values and story to be made available afresh to the Australian and International communities.

Clare has recently launched her latest book, the second in her democracy trilogy, titled, *You Daughters of Freedom: The Australians Who Won the Vote and Inspired the World*. It is the story of Australia's suffrage campaigners winning the vote for white women in Federal Parliamentary elections from 1902, when Australian democracy was the envy of the world—and the standard bearer for progress in a shining new century. It recounts the role of Australian women in the subsequent international struggle, including in the UK, as the world looked to our trailblazing democracy for inspiration.

**THE 2018 EUREKA DEMOCRACY AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED
DURING THE EVENING TO ADELE FERGUSON.**



Adele Ferguson is a multi-award winning senior business writer and columnist for *The Age*, *The Sydney Morning Herald* and the *Australian Financial Review*, and a regular guest reporter on ABC's *Four Corners*. With more than 20 years in journalism, Adele carries a reputation as one of Australia's most awarded journalists. Her investigations go behind corporate spin and expose corporate wrongdoing. She is a strong advocate for improving whistleblower protections and giving vulnerable people a voice. Her series of investigations into the banks over the past five years helped bring about a royal commission into the sector. Some of her exposes include the 7-Eleven wage fraud scandal which so far has resulted in compensation payments of more than \$150 million to thousands of vulnerable foreign workers and changes to the law. She has also exposed wage fraud inside other franchise giants, including Domino's and Caltex and helped trigger a parliamentary inquiry into the \$170 billion franchise sector.

Adele's journalism achievements include eight Walkley awards (including the Gold Walkley for her Four Corners program *Banking Bad*), two Gold Quill Awards, two Gold Kennedy Awards, a Logie and the Graham Perkin Journalist of the Year.

Eureka's Children has presented the Eureka Democracy Award since 2008 to recognize an individual or an organisation that has, through their endeavours, contributed to strengthening democratic traditions in Australia. Eureka speaks to us of the importance of a free society being prepared to react to oppressive authority while seeking fairness and equity, valuing human rights and respecting human dignity. The Award seeks to ensure that the vision of democracy that was fought for at Eureka and the values it represented are kept alive in contemporary Australian culture.

Eureka's Children admires and acknowledges Adele's courage and sustained efforts throughout her career as a leading journalist in pursuing social justice, fairness and decency for all Australians, key underpinnings of a democratic society. Adele has exposed corporate wrongdoing and injustice and been a tireless evidence based advocate for improved transparency and governance and for improved whistleblower protections. She has given vulnerable people a voice and is a most worthy recipient of the 2018 Award.



TICKETS \$70.00 EACH WITH TABLES OF 10 AVAILABLE FOR \$700.00 PER TABLE

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - CONTACT PETER GAVIN, SECRETARY ON 0417 135 373 OR
EMAIL eurekaschildren@gmail.com FOR TICKETS.**

PAYMENT BY:

- **CHEQUE - TO THE CELTIC CLUB, 1st floor 420-424 William Street (Corner of Dudley Street) WEST MELBOURNE 3003, OR**
- **VIA EFT - TO BSB 704191 ACC. 90789 (PLS ADD YOUR NAME AS THE REFERENCE IN THE EFT TRANSACTION)**

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