Mini-Mentoring – Book a Chat with a festival author about your writing

At the Eumundi Writers Festival in 2026 we are excited to be able to offer private mini-mentoring sessions with the experienced, published authors listed below on Friday 4th and Sunday 6th September 2026. Some presenters have nominated available times.

Potential Mentors

Anna Campbell – Sunday morning from 11am to 12pm and Sunday after 3:00pm	Laura Elvery :Friday 2-4pm or Sunday 10-12
Edwina Shaw – Friday after 10am	Laura Jean McKay Friday afternoon 4 Sept (after 2 or 3pm) or Saturday morning 5 Sept (10am or 11am).
Faith Valencia-Forrester	Michelle Worthington – Friday 9-2.30pm
Gillian Wills	Paula McLean
Joni Scott	Rachel Bailey
Jack Roney _Friday to Sunday as long as also staying Saturday night	Roslyn Copas Fri 4 Sep, 8.30-11.30am & 3-5pm. Sunday 1-4pm
Jo Edgar-Baker	Sarah Clutton – Sunday 9am-12pm
Kari Gislason:Sunday 10.30am-1pm	Sarah Cochrane Ridout – Friday before 4pm
Kristina Olsson	Shelby Matheson Friday 9.30-12pm
Kylie Fennell Sunday after 10.30am	Laura Elvery - Saturday
Roxanne McCarty-O'Kane 2.3-3.30, 3.30-4.30pm Saturday	Vivienne Wynter – Friday 12.30 -2, Sunday 9 –11am

You can discuss a particular scene, character or idea, discuss the writing process, blocks and barriers, or seek advice relevant to your writing career.

The sessions will be short, 20 minutes each, so we encourage you to be well prepared. Please read about the presenters who have offered to mentor on our website www.eumundiwritersfestival.com.au and nominate your top two choices. Expressions of interest close at 5pm on 31/7/26.

Once applications have been assessed, wherever a match can be made, you will be assigned a mentor and session time on either Friday 4/9/26 or Sunday 6/9/26. To ensure as many sessions as possible you will need to accept the date and time offered. All sessions will be at either *The Imperial Hotel* in *The Presenters Green Room* which is upstairs and overlooks the veranda onto Memorial Drive, or, Eumundi Guesthouse studio/cottage. Access at The Imperial via the ramp from the back car-park is also available – please advise organisers beforehand.

To submit an expression of interest, please email director@eumundiwritersfestival.com.au with the following information:
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Your Name	
Your two requested mentor preferences	
Contact email address and phone number	
Residential address	
Manuscript Title (if applicable)	
Proposed Genre (s)	
Current word count	

Please also provide 150 words each for the following: a synopsis of your work, a bio and a brief outline of what you would like to discuss in your mentoring session.