

# media release

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## ABR May issue highlights



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#### Highlights of the May issue include:

- **Review of the Month** <u>Alan Atkinson's</u> review of Meredith Lake's remarkable new book about the influence of the bible in Australia.
- The 2018 Calibre Prize runner-up 'Once Again: Outside in the House of Art' by <u>Kirsten Tranter</u>. Tranter receives \$2,500 for her essay, a moving meditation on motherhood, longing, and expatriation as she engages with the video installation <u>The Visitors</u> by Icelandic artist Ragnar Kjartansson.
- <u>Morag Fraser</u> reviews a new book of essays by Marilynne Robinson, the Calvinist American author of *Housekeeping* and *Gilead* who interviewed Barack Obama and savours being considered 'unhip'.
- <u>Shaun Crowe</u> reviews Robert Manne's latest collection of essays, *On Borrowed Time*, published after Manne lost his voice box to throat cancer.
- Also in the issue <u>Richard Martin</u> on two new books exploring the cultural politics of native title, <u>Dorothy Driver</u> on Lyndall Gordon's new group biography of five influential women writers, <u>Billy Griffiths</u> on Australia's overdue republic, <u>Ross McKibbin</u> on the fallout from Brexit, <u>Andrew Broertjes</u> on Franklin D. Roosevelt, <u>David Rolph</u> on Princess Margaret, <u>Chris Flynn</u> on Lionel Shriver's new short story collection, <u>Gillian Dooley</u> on Gregory Day's new novel, plus interviews with poet Pam Brown and novelist Justine Ettler.
- ABR Arts we review music, theatre, art, and film including: Gemma Betros on Au revoir là-haut (See You Up There) Ian Dickson on The Children (STC and MTC) Anwen Crawford on The Death of Stalin (Madman Entertainment) Michael Halliwell on Don Quichotte (Opera Australia) Ben Brooker on After Dinner (State Theatre Company of South Australia) Read all these reviews, and more, via ABR Arts

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