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Message to publishers from Australian Book Review

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ABR will do everything in its power to support the sector. Our <u>new website</u>, our <u>digital edition</u>, and our <u>podcast</u> equip us well to reach readers. We are actively commissioning future issues and much online content.

I welcome ideas from publishers for podcast features or for commentaries that might appear online in our <u>Book Talk column</u> or in the magazine. Contact me at <u>editor@australianbookreview.com.au</u>

Peter Rose, Editor and CEO

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