AN INVITATION TO WRITERS MARGARET KING SPENCER WRITERS ENCOURAGEMENT TRUST

If you are writing about or are a writer from GISBORNE - EAST COAST - TAIRAWHITI Working in literary, historical, or scientific fields You may apply for a grant of up to \$5,000

A bequest from the Gisborne writer and historian, Margaret Spencer, has enabled the establishment of a Trust, set up to further assist members of the public to acquire, develop and improve their literary writing skills and to the extent that it is in the public interest to do so, the publication of the writers' works.

Applicants must have a connection with the region either through birth or family, or because they are writing about the region. The sum of money available to a writer is not fixed and the selection committee is free to vary the award(s) made in any year according to the calibre of the applications.

The Trustees will not to provide support towards fixed assets such as computers etc

Your work should have reasonable literary merit and general appeal. Completion of the project is expected within two years. The writing can be in Maori or English. Writing for children is eligible.

Application forms can be obtained from the HB Williams Memorial Library or by email to <u>annf@xtra.co.nz</u> Completed forms to be sent to 16 Graham Road Gisborne or email <u>annf@xtra.co.nz</u> Phone 06 868 6255

Applications for grants close 2 June 2025