



WELCOME TO RODERICK HOUSE

Peppermint Grove Retreat

Peppermint Grove Retreat offers WA emerging and established authors and illustrators of Children's and Young Adult books an opportunity to escape their daily lives to focus on creating for a maximum period of two weeks between 13 -27 June 2026.



Roderick House at 37 Leake St Peppermint Grove was built in 1897 and has been lovingly restored to its former glory by Gail Spiers and her late partner Roderick Cooper.

The Peppermint Grove Retreat is offered free of charge to successful applicants by Gail who will be in residence during the retreat.

The Children's Book Council of Australia WA Branch will be organising and funding an event at the conclusion of the retreat.



REQUIREMENTS

- write an article for the CBCA WA newsletter or post to CBCA WA Facebook or Instagram
- present a talk about your experiences to a group of adults on Saturday 27 June
- preparedness to leave the kitchen tidy and to be rostered to cook evening meals

Applications close Friday 22 May 2026.

ABOUT RODERICK HOUSE

- three individual bedrooms and workspaces
- shared lounge, bathroom, laundry, kitchen, dining area and outdoor space
- close to the river, Cottesloe Train Station and bus services
- street parking in Leake Street
- cafés and a supermarket within walking distance
- general supplies for breakfast, lunch and evening meals provided.

PLEASE BRING

- laptop and personal writing/art materials required for your work
- personal items

Note: We are unable to accommodate room share arrangements.

PEPPERMINT GROVE RETREAT APPLICATION FORM

FULL NAME

PHONE

EMAIL

ADDRESS

WEBSITE

FACEBOOK

INSTAGRAM

MEMBERSHIPS

(CBCAWA, SCWBI,
IBBY, OTHER)

ARE YOU (TICK ONE):
AN AUTHOR,
ILLUSTRATOR
AUTHOR/ ILLUSTRATOR?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
WEEK 1 (13-20 JUNE)
WEEK 2 (20-27 JUNE)
WEEKS 1&2 (13-27 JUNE)

WHAT DO YOU
HOPE TO
ACHIEVE WITH
YOUR TIME AT
THE RETREAT?

DIETARY
REQUIREMENTS

ACCESS
REQUIREMENTS

Please email completed form to gail.spiers51@outlook.com with
Peppermint Grove Retreat in the subject line by Friday 22 May 2026.