DAVITT AWARD WINNERS 2001–2026

Year	Best Adult Crime Novel	Best Young Adult Crime Novel	Readers' Choice
2001	Caroline Shaw *Eye to Eye*	-	-
2002	Carolyn Morwood *A Simple Death*	Kerry Greenwood *The Three-Pronged Dagger*	Lindy Cameron *Bleeding Hearts*
2003	Gabrielle Lord *Baby Did a Bad, Bad Thing* Alex Palmer *Blood Redemption*	Natalie Prior *Fireworks and Darkness*	Cathy Cole *Skin Deep*
2004	Janette Turner Hospital *Due Preparations for the Plague*	Ruth Starkey *Muck-Up Day*	Lindy Cameron *Thicker Than Water*
2005	Kathryn Fox *Malicious Intent*	Joanna Baker *Devastation Road*	Leigh Redhead *Peepshow*

Year	Best Adult Crime Novel	Best Young Adult Crime Novel	Best Non-fiction Crime Book	Readers' Choice
2006	Heather Rose *The Butterfly Man*	Catherine Jinks *Evil Genius*	Robin Bowles *Dead Centre: The inside story of the Peter Falconio mystery*	Leigh Redhead *Rubdown* Kerry Greenwood *Heavenly Pleasures*
2007	Sydney Bauer *Undertow*	Jaclyn Moriarty *The Betrayal of Bindy Mackenzie*	Karen Kissane *Silent Death: The killing of Julie Ramage*	Karen Kissane *Silent Death: The killing of Julie Ramage* Kerry Greenwood *Devil's Food*
2008	Katherine Howell *Frantic*	Mandy Sayer *The Night Has a Thousand Eyes*	Janet Fife-Yeomans *Killing Jodie: How Australia's most elusive murderer was brought to justice*	Lindy Cameron (ed) *Scarlet Stiletto: The first cut*
2009	Malla Nunn *A Beautiful Place to Die*	Catherine Jinks *Genius Squad*	Chloe Hooper *The Tall Man: Death and life on Palm Island*	Katherine Howell *The Darkest Hour*

Year	Best Adult Crime Novel	Best Children's/ YA Crime Novel	Best Non-fiction Crime Book	Readers' Choice
2010	Marianne Delacourt *Sharp Shooter*	Justine Larbalestier *Liar*	Candace Sutton and Ellen Connolly *Ladykiller: How conman Bruce Burrell kidnapped and killed rich women for their money*	Kerry Greenwood *Forbidden Fruit*
2011	Katherine Howell *Cold Justice*	Penny Matthews *A Girl Like Me*	Colleen Egan *Murderer No More: Andrew Mallard and the epic fight that proved his innocence*	P M Newton *The Old School*

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2012	Sulari Gentill *A Decline in Prophets*	Meg McKinlay *Surface Tension*	Liz Porter *Cold Case Files: Past crimes solved by new forensic science*	Jaye Ford *Beyond Fear*	Jaye Ford *Beyond Fear* Y A Erskine *The Brotherhood*
2013	Maggie Groff *Mad Men, Bad Girls and the Guerilla Knitters Institute*	Jennifer Walsh *The Tunnels of Tarcoola*	Pamela Burton *The Waterlow Killings: A portrait of a family tragedy*	Maggie Groff *Mad Men, Bad Girls and the Guerilla Knitters Institute*	Kerry Greenwood *Tamam Shud: The Somerton Man*

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2014	Honey Brown *Dark Horse*	Karen Foxlee *The Midnight Dress*	Jen Storer *Spooked! (Truly Tan #3)*	Anna Krien *Night Games: Sex, power and sport*	Hannah Kent *Burial Rites*	Hannah Kent *Burial Rites*
2015	Liane Moriarty *Big Little Lies*	Ellie Marney *Every Word*	Judith Rossell *Withering-by-Sea*	Caroline Overington *Last Woman Hanged: The terrible , true story of Louisa Collins*	Christine Bongers *Intruder*	Sandi Wallace *Tell Me Why*
2016	Emma Viskic *Resurrection Bay*	Fleur Ferris *Risk*	R A Spratt *Under Suspicion (Friday Barnes #2)*	Alecia Simmonds *Wild Man: The true story of a police killing, mental illness and the law*	Emma Viskic *Resurrection Bay* Fleur Ferris *Risk*	Emma Viskic *Resurrection Bay*
2017	Jane Harper *The Dry*	Shivaun Plozza *Frankie*	Judith Rossell *Wormwood Mire (Stella Montgomery Intrigue #2)*	Megan Norris *Look What You Made Me Do: Fathers who kill*	Cath Ferla *Ghost Girls*	Jane Harper *The Dry*

2018	Emma Viskic *And Fire Came Down*	Vikki Wakefield *Ballad of a Mad Girl*	Allison Rushby *The Turnkey*	Gabriella Coslovich *Whiteley on Trial*	Sarah Bailey *The Dark Lake*	Jane Harper *Force of Nature*
2019	Dervla McTiernan *The Rúin*	Sarah Epstein *Small Spaces*	Judith Rossell *Wakestone Hall (Stella Montgomery Intrigue #3)*	Chloe Hooperr *The Arsonist: A mind on fire*	Bri Lee *Eggshell Skull*	Jane Harper *The Lost Man*
2020	Meg Mundell *The Trespassers*	Astrid Scholte *Four Dead Queens*	Jenny Blackford *The Girl in the Mirror*	Adele Ferguson *Banking Bad: Whistleblowers. Corporate cover-ups. One journalist's fight for the truth.*	Susan Hurley *Eight Lives*	Emma Viskic *Darkness for Light* Dervla McTiernan *The Scholar*
2021	Sally Hepworth *The Good Sister*	Christie Nieman *Where We Begin*	Lian Tanner *A Clue for Clara*	Louise Milligan *Witness: An investigation into the brutal cost of seeking justice*	Leah Swann *Sheerwater*	Katherine Kovacic *The Shifting Landscape*

2022	Charlotte McConaghy *Once There Were Wolves*	Leanne Hall *The Gaps*	Nicki Greenberg *The Detective's Guide to Ocean Travel*	Kate Holden *The Winter Road: A story of legacy, land and a killing at Croppa Creek*	Jacqueline Bublitz *Before You Knew My Name*	Jacqueline Bublitz *Before You Knew My Name*
2023	Tracey Lien *All That's Left Unsaid*	Fleur Ferris *Seven Days*	Charlie Archbold *The Sugarcane Kids and the Red-bottomed Boat*	Megan Norris *Out of the Ashes*	Hayley Scrivenor *Dirt Town*	Vikki Petraitis *The Unbelieved*
2024	Monica Vuu *When One of Us Hurts*	Amy Doak Eleanor Jones Is Not a Murderer	Lucinda Gifford Boris in Switzerland (The Wolves of Greycoat Hall #2)	Rebecca Hazel The Schoolgirl, her Teacher and his Wife	Christine Keighery The Half Brother	Alison Goodman The Benevolent Society of Ill-Mannered Ladies
2025	Vikki Wakefield *To The River* **Highly Commended** Fiona McFarlane	Erin Gough *Into The Mouth Of The Wolf*	Judith Rossell *Midwatch*	Lucia Osborne-Crowley *The Lasting Harm: Witnessing the Trial of the Century*	Georgia Harper *What I Would Do To You*	Dervla McTiernan *What Happened To Nina?*
2026	Joanna Jenkins *The Bluff*	Amy Doak *What Have They done to Liza McLean?*	Sarah Armstrong *Run*	Kate Wild *The Red House*	Angie Faye Martin *Melaleuca*	Sally Hepworth *Mad Mabel*

			Highly Commended Amelia Mellor *Oceanforged: The Wicked Ship*			