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VICTORIAN WOMEN LAWYERS PRESENTS: *THE LESBIA HARFORD ORATION 2017*

Victorian Women Lawyers is delighted to invite you to its biennial oration to commemorate Australian poet, novelist and political activist, Lesbia Harford.

Celeste Liddle will orate the event in 2017 and speak on the topic of diversity for women and the interplay with gender equality, with an emphasis on the point of view of an Aboriginal woman.

DATE

Thursday, 26 October 2017

TIME

7:15am to 7.30am: Registrations
7:30am to 9:00am: Event commences

LOCATION

The Alto Room, Level 25
The Langham Melbourne
1 Southgate Avenue, Melbourne

COST

Members: \$35
Non-members: \$60

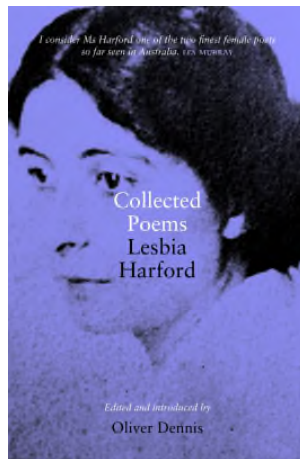
Ticket price includes a plated breakfast

RSVP

By 20 October 2017

REGISTRATION & ENQUIRIES

Visit: www.vwl.asn.au/events
Telephone: 9607 9390
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Lesbia Harford is a poet, novelist, law student, articled clerk and political activist and a pioneer of women – particularly in the legal profession.

Born Melbourne in 1891, at around the time of world war, suffrage, the challenging of religious ideals and social upheaval, Lesbia embraced workers' rights and developed a lyric writing style when authoring the three notebooks of poems. These poems were found after her early death in 1927.

Although forgotten for decades, Lesbia Harford is now seen as one of the first truly modern and urban figures in Australian poetry



Celeste Liddle is an Arrernte woman, an opinion writer, a trade unionist and public speaker.

Currently serving as the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Organiser of the National Tertiary Education Union, Celeste started her blog "Rantings of an Aboriginal Feminist" in June 2012.

Celeste's writing has been published by Daily Life and various other publications.

Celeste writes and speaks tough topics in concise and accessible ways. Mixing anecdote and humour, Celeste takes her lead from many amazing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander thinkers who have inspired her along the way.

