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## BECOME A MEMBER OF PEN PERTH

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We are currently accepting applications for PEN Perth Annual Membership. To become a Member of PEN Perth you must sign the PEN Charter and pay an annual membership fee (\$80 full / \$40 concession). If you would like to become a Member fill out and sign this document, email it to [perthpen@gmail.com](mailto:perthpen@gmail.com), and pay the membership fee electronically into the account listed below.

The PEN Charter  
PEN affirms that:

- Literature knows no frontiers and must remain common currency among people in spite of political or international upheavals.
- In all circumstances, and particularly in time of war, works of art, the patrimony of humanity at large, should be left untouched by national or political passion.
- Members of PEN should at all times use what influence they have in favour of good understanding and mutual respect between nations and people; they pledge themselves to do their utmost to dispel all hatreds and to champion the ideal of one humanity living in peace and equality in one world.
- PEN stands for the principle of unhampered transmission of thought within each nation and between all nations, and members pledge themselves to oppose any form of suppression of freedom of expression in the country and community to which they belong, as well as throughout the world wherever this is possible. PEN declares for a free press and opposes arbitrary censorship in time of peace. It believes that the necessary advance of the world towards a more highly organised political and economic order renders a free criticism of governments, administrations and institutions imperative. And since freedom implies voluntary restraint, members pledge themselves to oppose such evils of a free press as mendacious publication, deliberate falsehood and distortion of facts for political and personal ends.

I accept and agree to these affirmations.

Signature:

Name:

Date:

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Membership fees (\$80 full / \$40 concession) payable to:

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