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International Women's Day: a Snapshot of Representation in Media and Publishing

During International Women's Month, PEN SA notes with grave concern the plight of imprisoned women journalists around the globe as well as the continued and pervasive sexism prevalent in the publishing domain.

At the same time, we also celebrate a few small gains, such as PEN SA professional member, Pippa Green's, appointment as Press Ombudsman of South Africa and the existence of publishing presses that are particularly supportive of women writers, such as Modjaji Books.

Read more [here](#).



PEN SA Statement on the EFF's Intimidation of Karima Brown

PEN SA strongly condemns EFF leader Julius Malema's publication of the private cellphone number of Talk Radio 702 Presenter Karima Brown on Twitter. Mr Malema's action has led to a barrage of intimidation of Ms Brown by EFF supporters, including threats of rape and bodily harm.

Along with organisations such as SANEF and PEN Afrikaans, we call on Mr Malema to apologise for his actions and to address his followers immediately regarding any and all threats of violence and rape on Ms Brown's person.

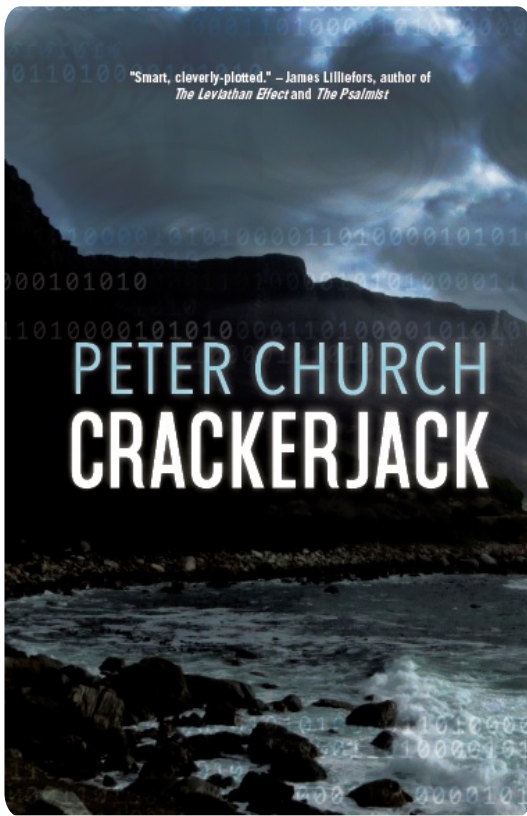
Read more [here](#).

MEMBERS' NEW TITLES

CALLS FOR SUBMISSIONS

NEW! [Calling all poets: EGLAF Arts Collective and Laurel Magazine present an open call for submissions \(Deadline 14 March\)](#)

NEW! [Call for Entries: 2019 Sol Plaatje EU Poetry Award & Anthology_ \(Deadline 31 March\)](#)



New and upcoming releases from PEN SA members include *Crackerjack* by Peter Church and *Every Word You Cannot Say* by Iain S. Thomas.

Please send us your new releases to newslettereditor@pensouthafrica.co.za.

MEMBERS' NEWS

A hearty congratulations to PEN SA professional members Jayne Bauling, Paul Morris and Wamui Mbao all of whom are longlisted for The 2018 Short Story Day Africa Prize.

A hearty congratulations to PEN SA Board Member Sisonke Msimang whose *Always Another Country: A Memoir of Exile and Home* is shortlisted for the State Library of NSW's Multicultural NSW Award 2019!

Welcome

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to

NEW! Submit to Issue II of 20.35 Africa: An Anthology of Contemporary Poetry (Deadline 9 April)

NEW! Call for papers: Africa Century International African Writers Conference (Deadline 10 June)

Submit your essay/poem/short story to Penn Review's Spring Reading Period (Deadline 21 April; opens 10 March)

Calling all southern African women writers: submit your manuscripts to Modjaji Books (Submissions open 1 March)

Dryad Press announces open submissions for poetry (Deadline 30 April 2019; opens 1 April 2019)

[Click here to view all calls for submissions](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Refer to our March literary events calendar for information on literary festivals, book launches, panel discussions and poetry readings – available [here](#).

Please submit your literary events for inclusion on our events calendar by e-mailing newslettereditor@pensouthafrica.co.za.

new PEN SA interns, Tasneem
Allybokus and Daniela Friedman.

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