

Competitions for Novelists

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Competition Name / Opportunity Details	Offered By:	Theme	Word Count	Submission Date	Results Date	Prize
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Australian/Vogel Literary Award	http://www.allenandunwin.com/default.aspx?page=443	For Australian residents under 35	30,000 to 100,000 words	1st June 2012	Sep-12	Publication by Allen and Unwin
Lightship First Chapter Award	http://www.lightshipublishing.co.uk/	Open	First chapter and a one page synopsis	30th June 2012		Publication of first chapter in an anthology, three professional mentoring sessions over the course of a year and possible agency representation upon completion.
Novel Rocket launch Pad Contest for New Novelists	http://www.novelrocket.com/2012/01/launching-this-years-contest.html	Suspense/Crime/Mystery/Thriller	2 page synopsis and the first 4,000 words	10th June 2012	9th July 2012	A critique of the sample submitted, grand prize winnet (all categories) will be introduced to a literary agent.
Novel Rocket launch Pad Contest for New Novelists	http://www.novelrocket.com/2012/01/launching-this-years-contest.html	Contemporary Fiction/Women's Fiction	2 page synopsis and the first 4,000 words	10th July 2012	13th August 2012	A critique of the sample submitted, grand prize winnet (all categories) will be introduced to a literary agent.
Novel Rocket launch Pad Contest for New Novelists	http://www.novelrocket.com/2012/01/launching-this-years-contest.html	Middle Grade/Young Adult Fiction	2 page synopsis and the first 4,000 words	10th August 2012	10th Sept 2012	A critique of the sample submitted, grand prize winnet (all categories) will be introduced to a literary agent.
The 2012 Carmel Bird / Spineless Wonders Novella Competition	http://shortaustralianstories.com.au/submissions/			Aug-12		
Novel Rocket launch Pad Contest for New Novelists	http://www.novelrocket.com/2012/01/launching-this-years-contest.html	Contemporary Romance	2 page synopsis and the first 4,000 words	10th Sept 2012	8th Oct 2012	A critique of the sample submitted, grand prize winnet (all categories) will be introduced to a literary agent.
Novel Rocket launch Pad Contest for New Novelists	http://www.novelrocket.com/2012/01/launching-this-years-contest.html	Speculative (Science Fiction/Fantasy/Horror)	2 page synopsis and the first 4,000 words	10th Oct 2012	Nov 12th 2012	A critique of the sample submitted, grand prize winnet (all categories) will be introduced to a literary agent.
Seizure Viva La Novella Competition	http://seizureonline.com/projects/viva-la-novella/	Open - 20,000 to 50,000 words Australian and New Zealand Residents)		1st November 2012	Shortlisting December and Releasing March 2013	There will only be one winner this time. Firstly they'll receive a thousand dollars in unmarked bills. Secondly they'll get put through the Seizure rock-crusher/editing machine. Thirdly the winner's novella will be designed with the usual Seizure flair and unleashed onto the world in digital and printed form.
2012 Unbound Press Best Novel Award	http://unboundpress.com/competitions/2012-unbound-press-competitions/2012-unbound-press-best-novel-award/	Open	First 10,000 words	30th Nov 2012	31st Jan 2013	£1,000 / £500 / £250