

## **Walter McRae Russell 2017**

The Winner for the 2017 award is Elizabeth McMahon for her monograph *Islands, Identity and the Literary Imagination* published by Anthem Press in 2016.

The Chair for the 2017 award is: Fiona Morrison

The judging panel for the Walter McRae Russell has identified the following shortlist for the 2015-2016 round:

Nicholas Birns, *Contemporary Australian Literature: A World Not Yet Dead* (SUP, 2016)

Michael Farrell, *Writing Australian Unsettlement: Modes of Poetic Invention 1796-1945* (Palgrave, 2015)

Elizabeth McMahon, *Islands, Identity and the Literary Imagination* (Anthem, 2016)

Susan Sheridan, *The Fiction of Thea Astley* (Cambria, 2016)