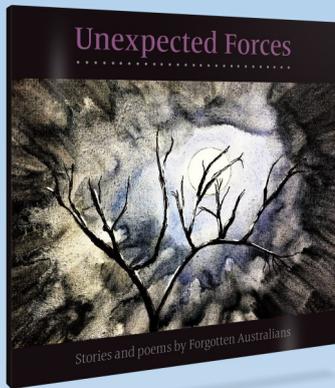


Lotus Place Book Launch

Celebrating our talented and inspiring writers and story tellers

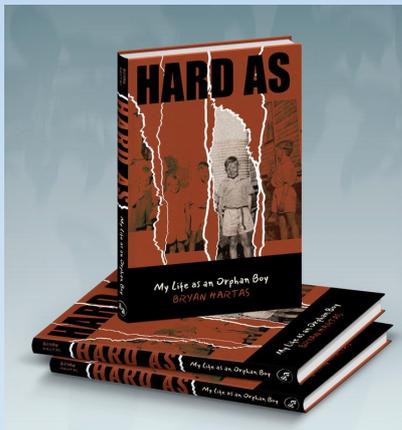
11am Tuesday 20th September
at Lotus Place, 46 Cleveland St, Stones Corner



'Unexpected Forces' **Stories and Poems (and artwork) by Forgotten Australians.**

Congratulations and thank you to all the participating writers for their courage in letting their inner storyteller out to play. It is a testimony to their strength and resilience, imaginations, and compassionate hearts.

A reminder to focus on the tiny moments of joy in our lives as a way to begin to feel happier every day. (76 contributors)



'Hard As' **My Life as an Orphan Boy, by Bryan Hartas.**

Bryan's story is a testament to the human spirit, to a child's love for his mother, and the capacity of the heart to rise and rise again.

In memory of Bryan and in honour of all Forgotten Australian, acknowledging all the abuse and harm they suffered while in institutional care. This book will help increase awareness about the mistreatment of children in institutions, who should have been protected.



AFA 'Life Stories' Project Participants books

The Life Stories Project assists Forgotten Australians to record their story. This story can then be shared with those who are important to the Forgotten Australian...

"Story telling is recognised as an important element in healing. To tell a story suggests that the storyteller has hope. And with hope, there is a future." Caroline Carroll OAM, (Chairperson, Alliance of Forgotten Australians). We invite those who participated in this project to share their achievement and parts of their story if they wish.



'The Art of Resilience' **Reconciling Histories Art Project Catalogue (Preview)**

A celebration of creativity, 'celebrating how far we have come'. A collection of artwork created by members from Lotus Place North, Central, and South Queensland. Artworks that express resilience and strength, and represent survival from impacts of childhood institutional abuse.

FOR REVIEW

Showcasing other books written by or with Forgotten Australians