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Stasko, Nicolette

(1950 -)

Born 1 January, 1950, Johnstown Pennsylvania United States of America

Occupation Poet, Writer

Summary

Nicolette Stasko was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, to Polish and Hungarian parents. She first started writing during her school years and then went on to complete a Bachelor of Arts (majoring in English) at Pennsylvania State University. Nicolette then completed a Master of Arts at Lehigh University.

In 1979 Nicolette moved to Australia, settling first in Perth, where she taught at Perth Modern School. Afterwards she moved to Canberra, followed by Sydney. Nicolette has taught English and creative writing and both secondary and tertiary levels. She has contributed to various poetry journals and remained active as a poetry reviewer, editor and researcher

Nicolette had her first poem published in Australia in *Hecate* in 1987, and her first collection of poetry, *Abundance*, was published in 1992. *Abundance* won the Anne Elder Award in 1993 and was shortlisted for the Dame Mary Gilmore Award, the New South Wales Premier's Prize and the National Book Awards.

Nicolette completed a PhD at the University of Sydney inn 2006.

Archival resources

National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection
Papers of Nicolette Stasko, 1965-circa 2005 [manuscript]

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