



## FEBRUARY NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

### REOPENING UPDATE

Thanks for your messages and support following last week's storm damage to the library. As the photos show, the damage was significant.



WorkSafe has cleared the area for access for repairs, large fans are drying the ceiling out, and scaffolding should be erected this week. We are working with insurers and plasterers, and it is likely that most of the ceiling section over the affected area will have to be removed and replaced.

We are aiming to reopen the library to members on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March but we will obviously keep everyone informed as work progresses.

During the closure, members can access our ever-growing collection of eBooks.

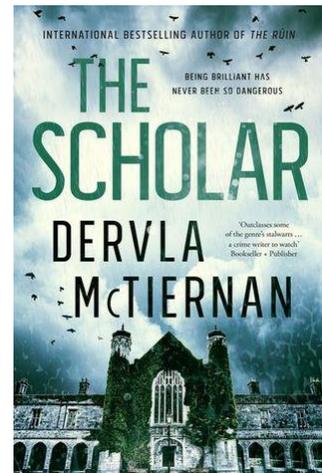


## MARCH EVENT: AUTHOR TALK

The Melbourne Athenaeum Library and Sisters in Crime are delighted to present author Dervla McTiernan in conversation with Robyn Walton on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March from 6pm.

Dervla, whose 2018 debut novel, *The Ruin*, became an instant bestseller, will be discussing her “hot off the press” second novel *The Scholar*.

*The Scholar* sees the return of DS Cormac Reilly in a compulsive crime thriller that brings his objectivity and integrity into question. He investigates a high-profile and high-pressure case, and evidence mounts that the death is linked to his own partner, Dr Emma Sweeney.



Dervla McTiernan

Dervla was born in Ireland and practised as a lawyer for 12 years. She now writes full-time and lives in Western Australia with her husband and two children.

Tickets for the event are \$20 (\$15 for library members), which includes a glass of wine with cheese. Bookings must be made by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March as seating is limited. The event will either be held in the Athenaeum 2 or the library, depending on the progress of the library repairs.

Bookings for the event can be made through <https://www.trybooking.com/BAGZH>