

# Dulcie Stone - Stories from Home

New Monthly Writing Opportunity in July/August 2020



**With so many of us isolated at home for the second time, this is another chance to reflect on our experiences and share our stories. Let's get creative again as we continue to navigate COVID-19 restrictions. Use the monthly prompt below to tell us how you are feeling.**

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VALID in partnership with Writers Victoria Write-ability Program, is asking you to respond to the following prompt:

**'I am sitting here and looking out my window and starting think about.....'**

**Over the page you can find a number of ideas to get you started. Feel free to use any of them or make up your own response building on the sentence above.**

This time you have a **month** to submit **4 to 5 fifty-word** pieces of writing in any form (poetry or prose) and **2 photographs or drawings** which capture your thoughts, ideas and reflections. Feel free to write about whatever you like. And as with the Stories from Home Weekly Prompts, we will post your work on our website and social media.

**For Month 1 : On August 14<sup>th</sup> send an email with your 4 to 5 fifty word stories and your 2 photographs/drawings to [heather@valid.org.au](mailto:heather@valid.org.au) or Send your stories and photos/drawings to us by Facebook Messenger through [VALID Facebook page](#)**

Make sure you include your contact details (e.g. phone number) in your response and the theme (e.g. ***'I am sitting here and looking out my window and starting think about.....'*** ) as a heading at the top of your stories.

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We will post responses on our website after the 14th of August for you to read.

We are exploring ways we can use our writing to celebrate coming through this difficult time – stay tuned. We look forward to reading your work.

For more information about the **Monthly Writing Prompts** please call Paul Dunn on 0455 477 303 or Heather Forsythe on 0458 028 904.

Looking forward to reading your work!

**Monthly Writing Prompts - Some Ideas to get you started:**

**'I am sitting here and looking out my window and starting think about.....'**

the people walking past in the cold....

my favourite song....

the storm clouds....

the trees without their leaves.....

the last time I went to my favourite restaurant....

when I will see my friends again.....

what I'll have for lunch....

what I need at the shop....

how others are going at this time.....

how good it would be to go to the movies.....

my favourite movie....

the sunlight on my cat....

that old pair of boots I used to wear....

the last time I laughed out loud....

the noise from leaf blowers and chain saws.....

that bright orange fluoro top ....

the green winter grass, the rain, the cold....

how long we will be in lockdown.....