

News Release

Contact:

Louise Horsley
Blue Metal Vineyard
Phone: 0438 377 727

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
10 November 2009



Robert Gray Hosts POETRY ON A PLATE **Friday 4 December 2009**

Acclaimed Australian Poet Robert Gray, is to host the next in the successful series of Bluemetal Vineyard's Poetry on a Plate, on Friday 4th December 2009.

Robert will read from a selection of his works over a relaxing lunch at Bluemetal Café starting at 12pm until around 2.30pm.

This is a wonderful opportunity to relax and listen to poetry within a beautiful vineyard setting, enjoying a delicious gourmet produce Jackaroo's Plate, complete with tea, coffee and dessert treats for \$40.00 per person. The Cellar Door is open for wine tastings and sales before lunch and throughout the afternoon. The atmosphere is casual and friendly and there is the opportunity for discussion afterwards with Robert, along with Mark Treddinick who mediates the luncheon.

A little bit about Robert Gray..

Robert Gray grew up in Coffs Harbour on the NSW North Coast and trained there as a journalist. He then worked in Sydney as an editor, advertising copywriter, reviewer and buyer for bookshops and his first book of poems, *Creekwater Journal*, was published in 1973.

Gray was a writer-in-residence at Meiji University in Tokyo and at several universities throughout Australia. He has also won many writing and poetry awards including:

- The Adelaide Arts Festival
- The Victorian Premiers' Awards
- The New South Wales Premiers' Awards
- The Patrick White Award



With Geoffrey Lehmann, he edited two anthologies, *The Younger Australian Poets* and *Australian Poetry in the Twentieth Century*. He edited *Selected Poems* by Shaw Neilson and *Drawn from Life*, the journals of painter John Olsen.

After Images is his latest collection of poetry and his much anticipated memoirs, *The Land I Came Through Last*.

Poetry on a Plate is \$40.00 per person and places are limited and filling fast. Bookings are essential on (02) 4877 1877 or email to cellar@bluemetalvineyard.com

Bluemetal Vineyard is located on the beautiful NSW Southern Highlands region and produces premium single estate, award winning wines including Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Gris, Fumé Blanc, Sangiovese Rosé, Petit Verdot, and The Cabernets.

The Cellar Door is open Thursday to Monday from 10am to 5pm. Bluemetal Café is open from Fridays until Mondays until Xmas. The vineyard will then be closed from 21 December 2009 until 2 January 2010.

For further information please contact Louise Horsley P: 0438 377 727, email: wine@bluemetalvineyard.com , or Online at www.bluemetalvineyard.com

ENDS

Media interviews and images

Louise Horsley | Phone 0438 377 727 | Email wine@bluemetalvineyard.com |
Website www.bluemetalvineyard.com