Mr David Malouf

The honorary degree of Doctor of Letters was conferred upon David Malouf at a conferring of degrees ceremony held in March 1988.

Report

Mr Malouf, who worked for a number of years as a lecturer in the English Department of the University, is a prize-winning novelist and poet.

Twenty one years after giving up an academic career to pursue the challenges of life as a full-time writer, David Malouf returned to be honoured by the University.

Awarding the acclaimed author an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters, the Chancellor, Dame Leonie Kramer, described her former colleague as an "inspiration to all, one who has provided an understanding of the human condition".

Although initially making his mark as a poet, David Malouf received national and international attention for novels such as Jonno (1975) and An Imaginary Life (1978). His three major works published in the 1990s – The Great World, Remembering Babylon and Conversations at Curlow Creek – have brought numerous prizes and even greater recognition.

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