



Minerva is the ancient Roman goddess of wisdom and war. Her areas of patronage were the crafts, poetry, medicine and music. Like many of the figures of the Roman pantheon, some of Minerva's characteristics were adapted from the Greek tradition. She became equated with Athena, the goddess of wisdom and warriors and patron of the arts. Wikipedia

MINERVA SPEAKS

Calling Ballarat writers

Writing opportunity for your work to be broadcast to the public.

A statue of Minerva graces the top of the façade to the Ballarat Mechanics Institute in Sturt Street central Ballarat. My project involves her speaking to people in the street below.

Minerva will transform from a statuesque observer to a living entertainer in her role as Goddess of Wisdom and Patron of the Arts. Minerva and her announcements will be broadcast over Sturt Street where the audience, in the Titanic Bandstand opposite the institute, can listen to her words of wisdom and learning. The words for her announcements will be drawn from the writers of Ballarat who will be inspired to craft her words through a workshop and writing phase.

Sunday 25th September 2.00PM—4.00PM

Hooper Room Ballarat Mechanics Institute

Meet the creators of MINERVA SPEAKS

Writing brief presented & discussed

Bring your notebook and pen

Submissions due November 2, writings selected November 14, public reading of selected works November 27th. Broadcast as MINERVA SPEAKS from the Minerva statue Ballarat Mechanics Institute weekly throughout March 2017

Pay rates commensurate with the Australian Society of Authors

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