



2007 BYRON BAY WRITERS FESTIVAL

Festival Writer: **Alexandra Adornetto**

Alexandra Emily Adornetto grew up in a rambling cottage, named *Byron* in Melbourne's inner east. With a host of English teachers in the family, she has loved language ever since writing her first poem as a five year old. *The Shadow Thief*, the first in the Klompert and Perriclof adventures, was written when she was thirteen years old and inspired by J.M. Barrie's, *Peter Pan*. Being an only child, Alexandra has always relied on her imagination for entertainment but coming from a boisterous Italian family there are always plenty of cousins, aunts and distant relatives to interact with.



Alexandra attends Mac.Robertson Girls' High in Melbourne where she is currently completing Year 10. At school, her passions include philosophy, public speaking, debating and drama. She has won various awards for her writing and was state champion in the Legacy Public Speaking competition in 2006. Alexandra's future aspirations are to work full-time writing novels, screenplays and pursuing a career as an actress.

She is currently working on *The Lampo Circus* which is the sequel to her first novel.

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