



## 2007 BYRON BAY WRITERS FESTIVAL

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Piers Akerman is one of Australia's best-known if most controversial journalists. His columns appear regularly in *The Daily* and *Sunday Telegraphs* in Sydney, and in *News Ltd* newspapers in WA, Victoria and Tasmania.

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