

The LAST BOOKSHOP

by EMMA YOUNG

ABOUT THE BOOK

Cait is a bookshop owner and book nerd whose social life revolves around her mobile bookselling service hand-picking titles for elderly clients, particularly the grandmotherly June. After a tough decade for retail, Book Fiend is the last bookshop in the CBD, and the last independent retailer on a street given over to high-end labels. Profits are small, but clients are loyal. When James breezes into Book Fiend, Cait realises life might hold more than her shop and her cat, but while the new romance distracts her, luxury chain stores are circling Book Fiend's prime location, and a more personal tragedy is looming.

A book for book lovers, *The Last Bookshop* is a uplifting novel that reminds us never to underestimate the power of people who love books.

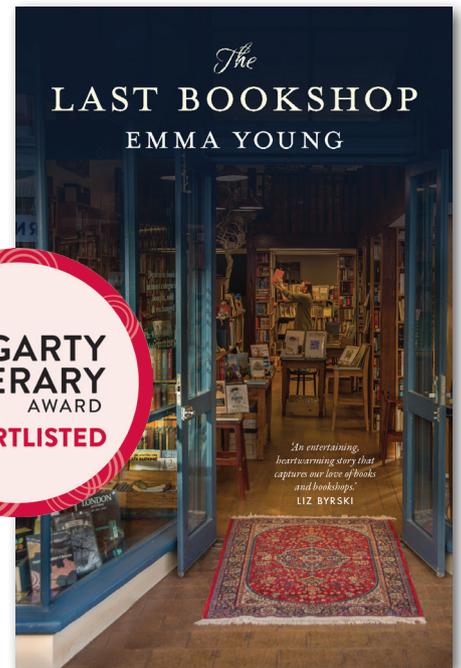
ABOUT THE AUTHOR

After five years in bookselling, Emma retrained as a journalist and has been reporting since 2011: first for community papers, then as a statewide digital journalist for *WAtoday*. Her work also regularly appears in sister publications *The Age* and the *Sydney Morning Herald*. *The Last Bookshop*, was shortlisted for the inaugural Fogarty Award in 2019.



KEY POINTS

- Emma has won six WA Media Awards for her health, environment, community and data journalism, including the 2018 Matt Price Award for Best Commentary.
- In 2018, she was one of three selected for the Katharine Susannah Pritchard Writers' Centre 1st Edition Retreat hosted by WA author Laurie Steed. She was also selected for the Four Centres Emerging Writers' Program for 2018-19.
- Her poetry appeared in *Landscapes: The Journal of the International Centre for Landscape and Language* in 2019.



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