



High Wire

LLOYD JONES AND EUAN MACLEOD



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A UNIQUE STORYBOOK FOR GROWNUPS

High Wire brings together Booker finalist writer Lloyd Jones and artist Euan Macleod. It is the first of a series of picture books written and made for grown-ups and designed to showcase leading New Zealand writers and artists working together in a collaborative and dynamic way.

In *High Wire* the narrators playfully set out across the Tasman, literally on a high wire. Macleod's striking drawings explore notions of home, and depict homeward thoughts and dreams. *High Wire* also enters a metaphysical place where art is made, a place where any ambitious art-making enterprise requires its participants to hold their nerve and not look down.

It's a beautifully considered small book which richly rewards the reader and stretches the notion of what the book can do.

'Those familiar with Macleod's pictorial world may find its location made pleasingly ambiguous by the references and reflections that Jones places beside it, while fans of Jones the novelist should enjoy the burst of visual imagery that Macleod provides. It is a book their audiences will love.' — *Artists Profile*

'Presented in a slim smooth hardback beautifully designed by Gary Stewart, *High Wire* is a finely crafted mystery of art, friendship and human aspiration.' — Sally Blundell, *Landfall*

ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Lloyd Jones is one of New Zealand's most eminent writers. His bestselling novel *Mister Pip* won several illustrious prizes and awards including the 2007 Commonwealth Writers' Prize Best Book Award and the 2007 Montana Medal for fiction. It was also shortlisted for the 2007 Man Booker Prize.

Euan Macleod's work is represented in many private and public collections, including Te Papa, the National Gallery of Australia and the Metropolitan Museum, New York. He has won a number of major prizes including the Archibald Prize. In 2010 a monograph, *Euan Macleod: the Painter in the Painting*, written by Gregory O'Brien and published by Piper Press, was released.

SALES POINTS

- A bold new direction for the always fascinating Lloyd Jones
- A unique collaboration between a writer and an artist
- A special gift book
- Handsomely packaged

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