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Local Artist Emily Julia Naudi Launches an Egg-citing New Picture Book

Blue Mountains-based children's publisher Loose Parts Press is celebrating the launch of their latest book "My Incredible Extra Ordinary Chickens" by Emily Julia Naudi with a free community event – a book reading, craft activity and egg hunt at RoseyRavelston bookshop in Lawson on the 5th of March from 2:00-3:30pm.

The book is narrative nonfiction, telling the story of Esther, Dot, Iris, Pearl and Florence - five chickens who may seem ordinary but get up to all kinds of shenanigans, like a henhouse disco. And it also contains a number of fascinating fowl facts. Publisher Sharon Baldwin said, 'Chickens are becoming popular backyard pets and many local schools have coops. We wanted a way to teach kids more about these birds in an entertaining way. Emily's words and art paint chooks in a new light.'

This is the first book from the debut author and illustrator who lives with her family in Katoomba and works as a preschool teacher. Drawing on inspiration from her own brood, she said, 'When we moved here we knew we'd love to get chickens for our kids. The more I looked into adding a flock to our family, the more I was inspired by how much there was to learn about the humble chook.'

The book will arrive just in time for Easter, with a special launch event taking place at **RoseyRavelston bookshop in Lawson at 2pm on the 5th of April**. In addition to a reading and signing with Emily, there will be an egg-carton craft activity for kids, an egg hunt in the garden

and possibly even some feathered friends (weather pending). All are welcome at this free event.

For Emily, the publication is a dream come true. 'Ever since I was a child, I've wanted to create picture books. My Mum read a lot to me as a little girl and really encouraged my love of drawing, painting, reading, magic... she also passed down a love of pets, so maybe she even influenced the theme of this book more than I realised!'

'My Incredible Extra Ordinary Chickens' is available to purchase through online via www.bluemtnsbooks.com.au and will be hitting bookshop shelves soon.

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