Creative Nonfiction and Social Justice: In Conversation with Behrouz Boochani

Speaker Bio

Behrouz Boochani

Behrouz Boochani is a Kurdish-Iranian writer and cultural advocate. He is Adjunct Associate Professor of Social Sciences at UNSW; non-resident Visiting Scholar at the Sydney Asia Pacific Migration Centre (SAPMiC), University of Sydney; Visiting Professor at Birkbeck, University of London; Honorary Member of PEN International; and winner of Anna Politkovskaya award for journalism.

He publishes regularly with The Guardian, and his writing also features in The Saturday Paper, Boochani is also co-director (with Arash Kamali Sarvestani) of the 2017 feature-length film Chauka, Please Tell Us The Time; and author of No Friend but the Mountains: Writing From Manus Prison (Picador 2018).

At the Victorian Premier’s Literary Awards 2019 his book won the Victorian Prize for Literature in addition to the Non-Fiction category.