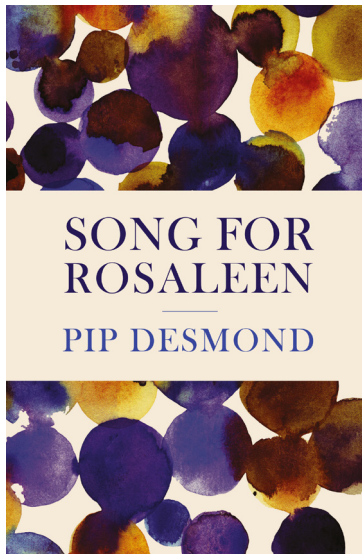




# Song for Rosaleen

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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Pip Desmond** is a Wellington writer, editor and oral historian. She is the author of the award-winning *Trust: A True Story of Women and Gangs* and *The War That Never Ended: New Zealand Veterans Remember Korea*. Pip has an MA in creative writing and runs communications company 2Write with her husband Pat. They have three children and four beautiful grandchildren.

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