Nominated Candidates
The Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award is the world's largest award for children’s and young adult literature. Candidates are nominated by expert organisations world-wide. A common feature of the nominating bodies is that they have a good overview and knowledge of children’s and young adult literature in their countries or language areas. This makes the annual list of nominees a good starting-point for an overview of contemporary international children’s and young adult literature.

A total of 175 candidates have been nominated for the 2011 award. Among the nominees are authors, illustrators, organisations, promoters of reading and oral storytellers, representing more than 60 countries world-wide.

The winner or winners of the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award will be announced by the expert jury at the birthplace of Astrid Lindgren in Vimmerby, Sweden, on March 29 2011, at 13.00 CET. The announcement will be broadcasted live to the Bologna Children’s Book Fair, Italy, and online at www.alma.se.

For information on becoming a nominating body, please contact literatureaward@alma.se.
THE 2011 ASTRID LINDGREN MEMORIAL AWARD NOMINEES ARE:

Angola
Fernandes, Maria Celestina Author
Melo, Dario de Author

Argentina
ISOL Author/Illustrator

Australia
Edwards, Hazel Author
Gleitzman, Morris Author
Ingpen, Robert Illustrator
Tan, Shaun Author/Illustrator/Promoter of reading

Austria
Welsh-Rabady, Renate Author
Zwerger, Lisbeth Illustrator

Belarus
Marchuk, Heorhi Author

Belgium
Cneut, Carll Illustrator
Moeyaert, Bart Author
Verplancke, Klaas Illustrator

Bolivia
Biblioteca Th’urucapitas Organisation

Bosnia and Herzegovina
Ostojic, Ljubica Author

Brazil
Leite, Mauricio Promoter of reading
Lettsome, Quincy F.  
Author  

Oscar K.  
Author (with Karrebæk, Dorte)

Choucair, Mahmoud  
Author

(We regret that the candidate has passed away after the printing of the list of nominated candidates. The award cannot be given posthumously.)
Estonia
Lukk-Toompere, Regina *Illustrator*
Pervik, Aino *Author*
Tungal, Leelo *Author*

Finland
Andersson, Christina *Author*
Bondestam, Linda *Illustrator*
Kallioniemi, Tuula *Author*
Kunnas, Kirsi *Author*
Kunnas, Mauri *Illustrator*
Nopola, Sinikka *Author* (with Nopola, Tiina)
Nopola, Tiina *Author* (with Nopola, Sinikka)
Reichstein, Alexander *Illustrator*

France
Mourlevat, Jean-Claude *Author*
Patte, Geneviève *Promoter of reading*
Petit, Xavier-Laurent *Author*

Germany
Bauer, Jutta *Illustrator*
Blau, Aljoscha *Illustrator*
Erlbruch, Wolf *Illustrator*
Heidelbach, Nikolaus *Illustrator*
Härtling, Peter *Author*
International Youth Library *Organisation*
Richter, Jutta *Author/Oral storyteller*
Scheffler, Axel *Illustrator*

Georgia
Children’s Literature Development Fund (Libo) *Organisation*
Tabliashvili, Lela *Illustrator*

France
Mourlevat, Jean-Claude *Author*
Patte, Geneviève *Promoter of reading*
Petit, Xavier-Laurent *Author*
Pateraki, Yolanda *Author*
Psaraki, Vasso *Illustrator*

**Guatemala**
La Fundación Riecken Guatemala *Organisation/Oral storytellers*

**Iceland**
Sigrún Eldjárn *Author/Illustrator*

**India**
A&A Book Trust *Organisation*
Association of Writers and Illustrators for Children (AWIC) *Organisation*
Katha *Organisation*

**Indonesia**
Bunanta, Murti *Author/Promoter of reading*
Kelompok Pencinta Bacaan Anak *Organisation*
Murti Bunanta Foundation *Organisation/Oral storytellers*

**Iran**
Ahmadi, Ahmad Reza *Author*
Haddadi, Hoda *Illustrator*

**Ireland**
Parkinson, Siobhán *Author*

**Italy**
Innocenti, Roberto *Illustrator*

**Ivory Coast**
Tadjo, Véronique *Illustrator*

**Japan**
Uehashi, Nahoko *Author*

**Latvia**
Ziedonis, Imants *Author*
Lebanon
Sharafeddine, Fatima Author
Touma, Nadine Author

Lithuania
Degėsys, Liutauras Author

Malaysia
Ismail, Mohd Yusof Bin Author/Illustrator/Oral storyteller
Lee, Daphne Mei Lin Promoter of reading

Maldives
Ali, Abdul Razzag Author

Malta
Azzopardi, Clare Author

Mexico
AMENA/AMPLAC Organisations/Oral storytellers

The Netherlands
Dematons, Charlotte Illustrator
Dragt, Tonke Author
Geelen, Harrie Author/Illustrator
Gestel, Peter van Author
Kuijer, Guus Author
Leeuwen, Joke van Author
Törnqvist, Marit Illustrator
Valckx, Catharina Illustrator
Vendel, Edward van de  

New Zealand  
Cowley, Joy  
Mahy, Margaret  

North Korea  
Hyong Un, Kim  

Norway  
Dahle, Gro  
Eeg, Harald Rosenløw  
Ekman, Fam  
Nyhus, Svein  
Hole, Stian  
Hovland, Ragnar  
Moursund, Gry  
Sortland, Bjørn  

Pakistan  
Midhat Kazim, Basarat  

The Philippines  
Sta. Romana-Cruz, Neni  

Poland  
ABCXXI (All of Poland Reads to Kids Foundation)  
Musierowicz, Malgorzata  
Siesicka, Krystyna  
Wilkon, Józef  

Portugal  
Bibliomóvel de Proença-a-Nova  

Republic of Montenegro  
Kršenkovic Brkovic, Dragana  

Russia  
Antonenkov, Evgeny  


Murashova, Ekaterina Author

Serbia
Rsumovic, Ljubivoje Author
Zmaj Children Games Organisation

Singapore
Wee, Jessie Author

Slovenia
Prap, Lila Author

South Africa
Biblionef Organisation
Daly, Niki Illustrator
First Words in Print Organisation
PRAESA Organisation

Spain
Alonso Alonso, Fernando Author
Ballester, Arnal Illustrator
Díaz-Noriega, Juan Farias Author
Fernández Paz, Agustín Author
Sáez Castán, Javier Author/Illustrator
Serrano Pérez, Javier Francisco Illustrator

Sweden
Eriksson, Eva Illustrator
Hellsing, Lennart Author
Höglund, Anna Author
Lindgren, Barbro Author
Stark, Ulf Author
Tidholm, Anna-Clara Author/Illustrator
Tidholm, Thomas Author
Wikland, Ilon Illustrator
Zak, Monica Author
Switzerland
Delessert, Etienne *Illustrator*
Derib *Illustrator*
Loosli-Martín, Rebeca *Illustrator*
Rosenbaum, Benjamin *Author*

Thailand
The Stock Exchange of Thailand *Organisation*

Turkey
ACEV (Mother and Child Education Foundation) *Organisation*
Kutlar Aksoy, Seza *Author*

United Arab Emirates
Knowledge without Borders *Organisation*

United Kingdom
Almond, David *Author*
Blake, Quentin *Illustrator*
Chambers, Aidan *Author*
Chambers, Aidan & Nancy *Promoters of reading*

Foreman, Michael *Author/Illustrator*
Gaiman, Neil *Author*
Hoffman, Mary *Author*
Hughes, Shirley *Author/Illustrator*
Meek Spencer, Margaret *Promoter of reading*
Morpurgo, Michael *Author*
Rosen, Michael *Author/Promoter of reading*

USA
Bryan, Ashley *Illustrator*
Carle, Eric *Author/Illustrator*
Lester, Julius *Author*
Lin, Grace *Author/Illustrator*
Myers, Walter Dean *Author*
Pellowski, Anne *Promoter of reading/Oral storyteller*
Pinkney, Jerry *Illustrator*
Reading is Fundamental *Organisation*
Say, Allen *Author/Illustrator*

International candidate
IBBY International *Organisation*
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An expert jury selects the winners from candidates nominated by institutions and organisations worldwide. One of the main criteria is to reward work in the deeply humanistic spirit of Astrid Lindgren. The award is designed to promote interest in children’s and young adult literature, and in children’s rights, globally.

The Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award is administered by the Swedish Arts Council.