Nominated Candidates 2018
A GOLD MINE FOR READERS OF ALL AGES

This brochure contains the names of 235 candidates from 60 countries who are nominated for the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award 2018. The list is a gold mine for anyone interested in international children’s and young adult literature – and would not be possible without the work of more than a hundred nominating bodies all over the world. We are deeply grateful for their valuable work in providing us with material and information describing the quality of each and every candidate.

THE LAUREATE OF 2018

So far, seventeen laureates have received the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award. Who will be the next to join this fantastic group? Who from this list will be selected by the jury? On Tuesday March 27, 2018 at 1pm, the Chairman of the jury will announce the new laureate(s). The event takes place in Stockholm and will also be broadcast to the Bologna Book Fair. Please stay tuned, follow the announcement live on: alma.se/en

The Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award (ALMA) is the world’s largest award for children’s and young adult literature. The award amounts to SEK 5 million (approx. EUR 490 000) and is given annually to a single laureate or to several. Authors, illustrators, oral storytellers and reading promoters are eligible for the award, which is designed to promote interest in children’s and young adult literature. The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is the foundation of our work. An expert jury selects the laureate(s) from candidates nominated by institutions and organisations all over the world. The Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award was founded by the Swedish government in 2002 and is administrated by the Swedish Arts Council.
Antigua and Barbuda
Hillhouse, Joanne C. Author/Promoter of reading

Argentina
Abuelas Cuentacuentos Organisation
Andruetto, Maria Teresa Author
CEDILIJ Organisation
Luján, Jorge Author
Schritter, Istvansch Illustrator

Australia
Abdel-Fattah, Randa Author
Blackman, Malorie Author
Dubosarsky, Ursula Author
Fox, Mem Author
Gleitzman, Morris Author
Gordon, Gus Author/Illustrator
Indigenous Literacy Foundation Organisation
Ingpen, Robert Illustrator
Lanagan, Margo Author
Murray, Kirsty Author
Wild, Margaret Author

Austria
Welsh-Rabady, Renate Author
Zwerger, Lisbeth Illustrator

Azerbaijan
Amanova, Solmaz Author
Huseynov, Arif Illustrator
Isabayli, Gasham Author

Belgium
Cneut, Carll Illustrator
Herbauts, Anne Author/Illustrator
Moeyaert, Bart Author
Rascal Author
Wabbes, Marie Author/Illustrator
Verplancke, Klaas Author/Illustrator

Bolivia
Biblioteca Th’uruchapitas Organisation

Bosnia and Herzegovina
Hasić, Zejčir Author
Jurić, Sonja Author

Brazil
Machado, Ana Maria Author
Mello, Roger Author/Illustrator

Bulgaria
Samuilov, Viktor Author
Spiridonova, Julia Author
Zidarov, Lyuben Illustrator

Canada
Ellis, Deborah Author
Ellis, Sarah Author
Hébert, Marie-Francine Author

China
Zhilu, Zhang Author

Croatia
Huseinović, Andrea Petrlik Illustrator
Read to me! Organisation

Cyprus
Pyliotou, Maria Author

Czech Republic
Nikl, Petr Author/Illustrator

Denmark
Aakeson, Kim Fupz Author
Brøgger, Lilian Illustrator
Jensen, Louis Author
Pardi, Charlotte Illustrator
Estonia
Pervik, Aino Author
Raud, Piret Author
Saar, Ulla Illustrator

Finland
Bondestam, Linda Illustrator
Etana Editions Organisation
Louhi, Kristiina Illustrator
Maijala, Marika Author/Illustrator
Parvela, Timo Author
Turtleschaninoff, Maria Author
Vasko, Anne Author/Illustrator

France
A.C.C.E.S. Organisation
Chaud, Benjamin Author/Illustrator
Douzou, Olivier Author/Illustrator
Fombelle, Timothée de Author
Lacombe, Benjamin Illustrator
Les Doigts qui rêvent Organisation
Mourlevat, Jean-Claude Author
Murail, Marie-Aude Author
Patte, Geneviève Promoter of reading
Sattrapi, Marjane Author/Illustrator
Sfar, Joann Author/Illustrator

Georgia
Guleuri, Vasil Author
Petriashvili, Guram Author
Topuria, Tea Author

Germany
Budde, Nadia Author/Illustrator
Funke, Cornelia Author/Illustrator
Heidelbach, Nikolaus Illustrator
International Youth Library Organisation
Labor Ateliergemeinschaft Organisation
Muggenthaler, Eva Author/Illustrator
Pressler, Mirjam Author

Greece
Iliopoulos, Vagelis Author/Promoter of reading
Library4all Organisation
National Library of Greece Organisation
Pateraki, Yolanda Author
Trivizas, Eugene Author

Greenland
Rosing-Asvid, Naja Author/Illustrator
Therkildsen, Lene Promoter of reading

Hungary
Csukas, Istvan Author
Mesemuzeum (The Hungarian Fairy Tale and Story Museum) Organisation
Lackfi, János Author
Tóth, Krisztina Author

Iceland
Áslaug Jónsdóttir Author/Illustrator
Kristín Helga Gunnarsdóttir Author
Ævar Pór Benediktsson Promoter of reading

India
A & A Book Trust Organisation
Katha Organisation
Pratham Books Organisation

Indonesia
Bunanta, Murti Promoter of reading

Iran
Children’s Book Council Organisation
Hadi Mohammadi, Mohammad Promoter of reading
Hasanzadeh, Farhad Author
Mesghali, Farshid Illustrator
Mobile Library in Iran Organisation
Mohammadi, Narges *Illustrator*
Moradi Kermani, Houshang *Author*
Read with me *Organisation*

**Ireland**
Judge, Chris *Author*
Lynch, P J *Illustrator*

**Israel**
Modan, Rutu *Author/Illustrator*

**Italy**
Alemagna, Beatrice *Author/Illustrator*
Cooperativa Culturale Giannino Stoppani *Organisation*
Lampedusa Library *Organisation*
Masini, Beatrice *Author*
Negrin, Fabian *Illustrator*
Tullio Altan, Francesco *Illustrator*

**Japan**
Komagata, Katsumi *Author/Illustrator*
Matsuoka, Kyoko *Promoter of reading*

**Republic of Korea**
Baek, Heena *Illustrator*
Uk-Bae, Lee *Illustrator*

**Latvia**
Paegle, Anita *Illustrator*
Petersons, Reinis *Illustrator*

**Lithuania**
Kasparavičius, Kestutis *Author/Illustrator*

**Mexico**
Suzán Prone, Gerardo *Illustrator*

**Montenegro**
Kršenković Brković, Dragana *Author*

**Netherlands**
De schoolschrijver *Organisation*
Dematons, Charlotte *Illustrator*
Gestel, Peter van *Author*
Jonge, Harm de *Author*
Leeuwen, Joke van *Author/Illustrator*
Samson, Gideon *Author*
Tellegen, Toon *Author*
Tjong-Khing, Thé *Illustrator*
Weve, Sylvia *Illustrator*

**Nicaragua**
German Nicaraguan Library and the Bibliobús Bertolt Brecht *Organisation*

**Norway**
Aisato, Lisa *Illustrator*
Ask, Lene *Illustrator*
Belsvik, Rune *Author*
Dahle, Gro *Author*
Eeg, Harald Rosenløw *Author*
Ekman, Fam *Author/Illustrator*
Fiske, Anna *Author/Illustrator*
Foreningen Laes *Organisation*
Hole, Stian *Author/Illustrator*
Kaldhol, Marit *Author*
Nyhus, Svein *Author/Illustrator*
Rørvik, Bjørn *Author*
Torseter, Øyvind *Illustrator*

**Palestine**
Nimr, Sonia *Author*

**Peru**
Eslava, Jorge *Author*

**Philippines**
Almario, Virgilio Senadren *Author*
Sta. Romana Cruz, Neni *Promoter of reading*
Poland
All of Poland Reads to Kids Organisation
Cieślak, Ola Illustrator
Pawlak, Paweł Illustrator
Szczygielski, Marcin Author
Wilkón, Józef Illustrator

Portugal
Andante Organisation
Gonzalez, Maria Teresa Maia Author
Letria, André Illustrator

Romania
Damaschin Popa, Stela Illustrator
Dobrescu, Irina Illustrator
Neacșu, Veronica Illustrator

Russian Federation
Arkhipova, Anastasia Illustrator
Dashevskaya, Nina Author
Desnitskaya, Anna Illustrator
Russian State Children’s Library Organisation
Traugot, Alexander Illustrator

Serbia
Ršumović, Ljubivoje Author

Slovenia
Rozman Roza, Andrej Author
Škerl, Peter Illustrator

South Africa
Biblionef Organisation
Daly, Niki Author/Illustrator
Mhlope, Gcina Author/Oral storyteller/Promoter of reading
Naidoo, Beverley Author

Spain
Gómez Cerdá, Alfredo Author
Odriozola, Elena Illustrator

Sweden
Eriksson, Eva Illustrator
Hellgren, Johanna Illustrator
Lindenbaum, Pija Author/Illustrator
Lindström, Eva Author/Illustrator
Tidholm, Anna Clara Illustrator
Tidholm, Thomas Author
Torudd, Cecilia Author/Illustrator
Wegelius, Jakob Author/Illustrator
Wikland, Ilon Illustrator
Zak, Monica Author

Switzerland
Albertine Illustrator
Hohler, Franz Author

Taiwan
Liao, Jimmy Author/Illustrator

Turkey
Çocuk Vakfı (Children’s Foundation) Organisation
Erdoğan, Fatih Author/Promoter of reading

Ukraine
Lavro, Kost Illustrator
Menzatiuk, Zirka Author

United Arab Emirates
Al Musallam, Abdulaziz Author

United Kingdom
Ahlberg, Allan Author
Almond, David Author
Blake, Quentin Illustrator
Book Aid International Organisation
Chambers, Aidan Author
Chambers, Aidan & Nancy Promoters of reading
Child, Lauren Author/Illustrator
Fanelli, Sara Author/Illustrator
Foreman, Michael Author/Illustrator
Gaiman, Neil Author
Gardner, Sally Author/Illustrator
Hahn, Daniel Promoter of reading
Hughes, Shirley Author/Illustrator
Laird, Elizabeth Author
Magorian, Michelle Author
Meek Spencer, Margaret Promoter of reading
Morden, Daniel Oral storyteller
Morpurgo, Michael Author
Ness, Patrick Author
Pearson, Luke Author/Illustrator
Pienkowski, Jan Illustrator
Riddell, Chris Illustrator
Sedgwick, Marcus Author
Shelley, John Illustrator

United States
Anderson, Laurie Halse Author
Bányai, István Illustrator
Blume, Judy Author
Carle, Eric Author/Illustrator
Children’s Literature New England (CLNE) & The
Examined Life (EXL) Organisation
Dezső, Andrea Illustrator
Friends of African Village Library (FAVL)
Examined Life (EXL) Organisation
Kalman, Maira Author/Illustrator
Krashen, Stephen Promoter of reading
Le Guin, Ursula Author
Maguire, Gregory Author/Promoter of reading
Neighborhood Bridges Organisation
Pellowski, Anne Oral storyteller
Room to Read Organisation
Shihab Nye, Naomi Author
Taylor, Mildred Author
Woodson, Jacqueline Author

Zambia
Lubuto Library Partners Organisation