

NATIONAL BOOK PRIZE '21

THE MALTA BOOK FESTIVAL '21

3-7 November

Malta Fairs & Convention Centre (MFCC)

The shortlist selected by an independent adjudication board appointed by the **National Book Council** is a guide to the best books published locally during the previous year. These books are available for purchase from bookstores, online stores, and at the upcoming **2021 Malta Book Festival** (3-7 November) being held at the Malta Fairs and Convention Centre (MFCC), Ta' Qali.

These are the shortlisted titles for the **2021 National Book Prize** and **Terramaxka Prize**, for books published in 2020:

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NOVELS IN MALTESE AND ENGLISH

Tlettax – Kenneth Caruana Horizons

In-Nar ghandu Isem: Noti minn Paġna Intima – Gioele Galea Horizons

SHORT STORIES IN MALTESE AND ENGLISH

Kissirtu Kullimkien – Lara Calleja Merlin Publishers

Mużajċi tat-Tafal – Joe Camilleri Horizons

Widnet il-Baħar u Stejjer Ohra – Joe Friggieri Kite Group

MittKelma – Rita Saliba Klabb Kotba Maltin

Sempreviva – Trevor Żahra Merlin Publishers

POETRY IN MALTESE AND ENGLISH

Tgħanniq leħor: Poeżiji mill-Iżolament – Kit Azzopardi, Simone Inguanez, John P. Portelli (eds.) Horizons

L-Inventarju tal-Kamra l-Kaħla – Leanne Ellul Merlin Publishers

Imkien għall-Kenn: Poeżiji – John P. Portelli Horizons

Megalomanija Perversa: Poeżiji – Justin Schembri Horizons

L-Ambjent li Qeridna: Poeżiji (2017-2020) – Carmel Scicluna Horizons

TRANSLATION

Il-Waqgħa – Toni Aquilina Faraxa Publishing

Fija Jigri wara d-Dinosawri – Ludvic Azzopardi Ferrando Merlin Publishers

Otello – Alfred Palma Alfred Palma

Siġar – Terence Portelli Klabb Kotba Maltin

L-Aħħar Sajf ta' Berlin – Mark Vella Merlin Publishers

Mix-Xaqliba ta' Dar Swann – Ismijiet ta' Pajjiżi: L-Isem – Paul Zahra Paul Zahra

LITERARY NON-FICTION IN MALTESE AND ENGLISH

Sejjieh il-Fsieb: Limitu u Felsien – John Baldacchino Klabb Kotba Maltin

The Strings of Fate – Ricky Caruana Ricky Caruana

Justice for Daphne is Justice for Our Right to Know: The Book of the Art Installation – Alessandra Dee Crespo (cur.) Midsea Books

Daniel Holmes: A Memoir from Malta's Prison: From a Cage, on a Rock, in a Puddle... – Daniel Holmes Lovin Malta

Jien - Noti - Jien: Fsejjes u Stejjer – Immanuel Mifsud, Toni Sant Klabb Kotba Maltin

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BIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORIOGRAPHIC RESEARCH

Ta' Ġiezu Crucifix: Faith - History - Iconography - Conservation – Christian Attard (ed.)

Arċikonfraternità tas-Santissimu Kurċifiss, Valletta

Ta' Liesse: Malta's Waterfront Shrine for Mariners – Giovanni Bonello (ed.)

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Dellijiet Jgħajtu fir-Ras: Mario Azzopardi: Poeżija, Narrattiva u Kummiedja Soċjali

– Charles Briffa Horizons

Ruħu Dejjem Tfitte: Charles Casha: Mghallem Ghalliel – Charles Briffa Klabb Kotba Maltin

Maltese Migration in Tunisian Coastal Towns (1836-1844) – Arnold Cassola Morrone Editore

San Ġużepp tar-Rabat tal-Imdina: Storja ta' Devozzjoni u Arti – Jeremy Debono

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Documentary Sources on the Maltese Eighteenth Century Carnival: Il Ballo del Battito or Parata – John Debono (ed.) John Debono

Princess Poutiatine and the Art of Ballet in Malta – Kathrina Farrugia-Kriel (ed.)

Fondazzjoni Patrimonju Malti

Diaspora: Maltese Overseas Settlement – Henry Frendo Midsea Books

L-Istorja tal-Partit Laburista: It-Tieni Volum (1940-1960) – Francis Galea SKS Publishers

Trevor Żahra: Bejn Storja u Miti: Ġabra ta' Kitbiet – Sergio Grech (ed.) Horizons

Crux Invicta: Il-Kurċifiss Mirakuluż u l-Kapuċċini f'Għawdex – Martin Micallef

Midsea Books

Albert Ganado: Hajja Mhux tas-Soltu – Austin Sammut, Sergio Grech (eds.)

Klabb Kotba Maltin

Mattia Preti: Life and Works – Keith Sciberras Midsea Books

Country Villas in XVIII Century Malta – Carmel Spiteri Kite Group

The Addolorata Cemetery – Conrad Thake (ed.) Midsea Books

GENERAL RESEARCH

Bil-Kelma t-Tajba: Principji u Kreattività fil-Pedagogija tal-Lingwa

– Antoinette Camilleri Grima Klabb Kotba Maltin

Tourism and the Maltese Islands: Observations, Reflections and Proposals

– George Cassar, Marie Avellino Kite Group

L-Ekonomija f'Isien ix-Xjenza u l-Filosofija – John A. Consiglio

Faraxa Publishing

Is-Sessizmu fil-Lingwa Maltija – George Farrugia (ed.) Klabb Kotba Maltin,

l-Akkademja tal-Malti

The Spazju Kreattiv Art Collection – Toni Sant Fondazzjoni Ċentru għall-

Kreattività

The Beheading of Iqnez: Katabasis, Ezra Pound and Three Maltese Artists

– Giuseppe Schembri Bonaci Horizons

APS Mđina Cathedral Contemporary Art Biennale 2020 – Regaining a

Paradise Lost: The Role of the Arts – Giuseppe Schembri Bonaci,

Nikki Petroni Mđina Cathedral Museum, APS Bank, APS Mđina Biennale

TERRAMAXKA PRIZE

ORIGINAL WORKS: BOOKS FOR CHILDREN (AGES 0-7)

L-Għasfur tal-Kwiekeb – Charles Casha, Matthew Stroud (ill.)

Klabb Kotba Maltin

Enya l-Aljena... Regina b'Kumbinazzjoni! (Tikka Qari Livell 7)

– Audrey Friggieri, Romont Willy (ill.) Merlin Publishers

Tal-Forn – Noel Tanti, Matt Stroud (ill.) Merlin Publishers

Pito u Pita – Daniella Zerafa, Matthew Stroud (ill.) Horizons

ORIGINAL WORKS: BOOKS FOR CHILDREN (AGES 8-12)

Il-Kreatura tal-Bir – Simon Bartolo, José Luis Oscaña (ill.) Merlin Publishers

Tara Frendo fuq il-Pjaneta Sturja (Tikka Qari Livell 15) – Antoinette Borg,

Nicole Diacono (ill.) Merlin Publishers

Amazing Maltese Women – Kristina Chetcuti, Marisa Attard (ill.)

Merlin Publishers

Stellini Kursar Malti (Tikka Qari Livell 14) – Dwayne Ellul, Moira Scicluna

Zahra (ill.) Merlin Publishers

Il-Mostru tal-Bajja tal-Ġnejna (Tikka Qari Livell 14) – Leanne Ellul, Maxime

Lebrun (ill.) Merlin Publishers

It-Tifel li Salva d-Dinja (Tikka Qari Livell 12) – Karl Schembri,

Alice Samuel (ill.) Merlin Publishers

ORIGINAL WORKS: BOOKS FOR ADOLESCENTS (AGES 13-16)

No titles shortlisted

TRANSLATION: BOOKS FOR CHILDREN (AGES 0-7)

Lenard il-Papru tad-Daħq – Clare Azzopardi Merlin

Publishers

Lupu Lupettu Jfittex Maħbuba – Clare Azzopardi

Merlin Publishers

Lupu Lupettu Jrid Isir Artist – Clare Azzopardi Merlin

Publishers

Ors fl-Ispazju – Clare Azzopardi Merlin Publishers

Wizzu Fdejn il-Baħar – Reby Vella Wise Owl

Publications

TRANSLATION: BOOKS FOR CHILDREN (AGES 8-12)

Il-Familja Frattarija u d-Dar li Taghtas

– Simone Inguanez Merlin Publishers

