

# 'The best of the best'

## a decade of South African award winners

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Book Selector

Which are the best South African books of the last decade? Time will provide the answer to that question and at this juncture, perhaps it would be best to leave that to the scholars. In this issue of the CL that celebrates our first ten years of democracy and looks back to where we were and where we are now, we have produced two lists. On page 26 is an annotated list of personal favourites from a range of regular current contributors to these pages and this bibliography complements that selection.

Herewith a selection of adult titles that were awarded local literary prizes in the last ten years. We have only listed titles that are in the stock of our library service and the selection has been made from the annual literary awards updates published in this journal from 1994 onwards. Also included are titles that have won

international and African awards, for example, the Commonwealth Writers' Prize, the Noma Award and of course, our greatest literary coup, the Nobel Prize for Literature.

### Afrikaans fiction

- Ackerman, Berna. **Liesbet Delport se oorlogboek.**- Tafelberg, 1998.  
Behr, Mark. **Die reuk van appels.**- Queillerie, 1993.  
Benjamin, SP. **Die lewe is 'n halwe roman.**- Queillerie, 1999.  
Benjamin, SP. **Die reuk van steenkool.**- Queillerie, 1997.  
Bloemhof, Francois. **Die wit huis.**- Perskor, 1998.  
Botes, Annelie. **Klawervier.**- Tafelberg, 1997.  
Botha, J. **Groot vyf.**- Human & Rousseau, 1997.  
Breytenbach, Kerneels. **Morsdood van die honger.**- Human & Rousseau, 1992.

- Brink, André Philippus. **Donkermaan.**- Human & Rousseau, 2000.  
Brink, André Philippus. **Duiwelskloof.**- Human & Rousseau, 1998.  
Coetzee, Christoffel. **Op soek na Generaal Mannetjes Mentz.**- Queillerie, 1998.  
De Goede, Ronel. **Skoop.**- Tafelberg, 1993.  
De Villiers, Leon. **Die pro.**- Tafelberg, 1997.  
Dreyer, Tom. **Stinkafrikaners.**- Tafelberg, 2000.  
Folscher, Barbara. **Reisgenoot.**- Human & Rousseau, 2002.  
Fouché, Jaco. **Die ryk van die rawe.**- Queillerie, 1996.  
Greeff, Rachelle. **Merke van die nag.**- Tafelberg, 2001.  
Jordan, AC. **Die toorn van die voorvaders.**- Lovedale Press, 1995.  
Joubert, Elsa. **Die reise van Isobelle.**- Tafelberg, 1995.  
Leroux-van der Boon, Marzanne. **Klaprose teen die wind.**- Tafelberg, 1992.  
Matthee, Dalene. **Susters van Eva.**- Tafelberg, 1995.  
Meyer, Deon. **Orion.**- Human & Rousseau, 2000.  
Meyer, Deon. **Proteus.**- Human & Rousseau, 2002.  
Miles, John. **Kroniek uit die doofpot.**- Human & Rousseau, 199-.  
Murray-Theron, Erika. **Sê Maria.**- Tafelberg, 2001.  
Nagtegaal, Jackie. **Daar's vis in die punch.**- Tafelberg, 2002.  
Nagtegaal, Reinet. **Voorvaders kan vlieg, sê Delores.**- Tafelberg, 2001.  
Schoeman, Karel. **Hierdie lewe.**- Human & Rousseau, 1993.



Schoeman, Karel. **Verkenning**.- Human & Rousseau, 1996.

Scholtz, Andrew Henry Martin. **Vatmaar**.- Kwela Boeke, 1995.

Sleigh, Dan. **Eiland**.- Tafelberg, 2002.

Smit, Berta. **Juffrou Sophia vlug vorentoe**.- Queillerie, 1993.

Strachan, Alexander. **Die werfbobbejaan**.- Tafelberg, 1994.

Van Heerden, Etienne. **Kikoejoe**.- Tafelberg, 1996.

Van Heerden, Etienne. **Die swye van Mario Salviati**.- Tafelberg, 2000.

Van Niekerk, Marlene. **Triomf**.- Queillerie, 1994.

Van Rooyen, PH. **Die olifantjagters**.- Tafelberg, 1997.

Van Rooyen, PH. **Die spoorsnyer**.- Tafelberg, 1994.

Van Zyl, Dine. **Slagoffers**.- Tafelberg, 2001.

Venter, Eben. **Ek stamel ek sterwe**.- Queillerie, 1996.

Venter, Eben. **Foxtrot van die vleiseters**.- Tafelberg, 1993.

Venter, Francois Alwyn. **Die keer toe ek my naam vergeet het**.- Tafelberg, 1995.

Viljoen, Lettie. **Karolina Ferreira**.- Human & Rousseau, 1993.

Weideman, George Henry. **Draaiakkals**.- Tafelberg, 1999.

Weideman, George Henry. **Die onder-skepper; of Die dorp wat op 'n posseël pas**.- Queillerie, 1997.

## English fiction

Barris, Ken. **The jailer's book**.- Kagiso, 1996.

Breytenbach, Breyten. **Return to Paradise**.- D. Philip, 1993.

Brink, André Philippus. **The other side of silence**.- Secker and Warburg, 2002.

Burgess, Yvonne. **A larger silence**.- Penguin, 2000.

Cartwright, Justin. **Masai dreaming**.- Macmillan, 1993.

Coetzee, JM. **Disgrace**.- Secker and Warburg, 1999.

Coetzee, JM. **The master of Petersburg**.- Secker and Warburg, 1994.

Dangor, Achmat. **Kafka's curse**.- Kwela, 1997.

Duiker, K Sello. **The quiet violence of dreams**.- Kwela, 2001.

Gordimer, Nadine. **The pickup**.- D. Philip, 2001.

Hofmeyr, Dianne. **The waterbearer**.- Tafelberg, 2001.

Jacobs, Rayda. **Eyes of the sky**.- Kwela, 1996.

Jooste, Pamela. **Dance with a poor man's daughter**.- Doubleday, 1997.

Lambkin, David. **Plain of darkness**.- Ivy, 1992.

Le Roux, Willemien. **Shadow bird**.- Kwela, 2000.

Mda, Zakes. **Ways of dying**.- Oxford UP, 1995.

Mogotsi, Isaac. **The Alexandra tales**.- Ravan P., [1994?].

Molteno, Marion. **If you can walk, you can dance**.- Shola Bks. 1998.

Padayachee, Deena. **What's love got to do with it?**- COSAW, 1992.

Van Woerden, Henk. **A mouthful of glass**.- J. Ball, 2000.

Vladislavic, Ivan. **The folly**.- D. Philip, 1993.

Vladislavic, Ivan. **The restless supermarket**.- D. Philip, 2001.

Wicomb, Zoe. **David's story**.- Kwela, 2000.

Wylie, Dan. **The road out**.- Snailpress, 1996.

## Non-fiction

Afrika, Jan. **Papierblom**.- Human & Rousseau, 1998. 839.3615 AFR

Aucamp, Hennie. **Gekaapte tyd**.- Tafelberg, 1996. 839.3685 AUC

Ballot, Muller. **Bettie Cilliers-Barnard**.- Human & Rousseau, 1996. Q 759.968 CIL

Blom, Jan. **Oorblyfsels**.- Human & Rousseau, 1997. 839.36155 BLO

Bosman, Martjie. **Landelik**.- Protea Boekhuis, 2002. 839.3616

Breytenbach, Breyten. **Nege landskappe van ons tye bemaak aan 'n beminde**.- Hond/Intaka, 1993. 839.3615 BRE

Brink, André P. **Die jogger**.- Human & Rousseau, 1997. 839.3625 BRI

**Die Bybelleum eenvolumekommentaar**.- Christelike Uitg., 1999. R220.7 BYB

Clingman, Stephen. **Bram Fischer: Afrikaner revolutionary**.- D. Philip, 1998. 920 FIS

De Kok, Ingrid. **Terrestrial things: poems**.- Kwela, 2002. 821.914 DEK

De Wet, Reza. **Drie susters twee**.- Human & Rousseau, 1996. 839.3625 DEW

Dixon, Isobel. **Weather eye**.- Carapace Poets, 2001. 821.92 DIX

DuToit, Ben. **God? - geloof in 'n postmoderne tyd**.- CLF-Uitg., 2000 (2001 druk). 234.2 DUT

Joubert, Gideon. **Die groot gedagte**.- Tafelberg, 1997. 523.1 JOU

Kannemeyer, John Christoffel. **Leipoldt: 'n lewensverhaal**.- Tafelberg, 1999. 920 LEI

Kaplan, Jonathan. **The dressing station**.- Picador, 2001. 610.92 KAP

Koopman, Nico. **Die ligtheid van die lig**.- Lux Verbi.BM, 2002. 241 KOO

Krog, Antjie. **Country of my skull**.- Random House, 1998. 323.168 KRO

Krog, Antjie. **Kleur kom nooit alleen nie**.- Kwela, 2000. 839.3615 KRO

Laurie, Trienie. **Skietspoel**.- Tafelberg, 1997. 839.3615 LAU

Mandela, Nelson. **Long walk to freedom**.- Macdonald Purnell, 1994 (1995 printing). 920 MAN

MacLennan, Don. **Solstice**.- Snailpress, 1997. 821.914 MAC

McCord, Margaret. **The calling of Katie Makanya**.- D. Philip, 1995. 920 MAK

Miles, Elza. **Lifeline out of Africa: the art of Ernest Mancoba**.- Human & Rousseau, 1994. Q 709.44 MAN

Mills, Greg. **The wired model**.- Tafelberg, 2000. 327.68 MIL

Moolman, Kobus. **Time like stone**.- Univ. Natal P., 2000. 821.914 MOO

Naudé, Charl-Pierre. **Die nomadiese oomblik**.- Tafelberg, 1995. 839.3615 NAU

Noakes, Tim. **The lore of running**.- Oxford UP., 2001. 796.426 NOA

Pieterse, Henning Jonathan. **Die burg van hertog Bloubaard**.- Tafelberg, 2000. 839.3615 PIE

Reader, John. **Africa: a biography of a continent**.- Penguin, 1998. 960 REA

Sampson, Anthony. **Mandela: the authorised biography**.- HarperCollins, 1999. 920 MAN

Schoeman, Karel. **Armosyn van die Kaap**.- Human & Rousseau, 2001. 968.7 SCH

Schoeman, Karel. **Dogter van Sion**.- Human & Rousseau, 1997. 920 SMI

Schoeman, Karel. **Die laaste Afrikaanse boek**.- Human & Rousseau, 2002. 920 SCH

Sisulu, Elinor Batezat. **Walter & Albertina Sisulu**.- D. Philip, 2002. 920 SIS

Steinberg, Jonny. **Midlands**.- J. Ball, 2002. 305.8968 STE

Steyn, JC. **Van Wyk Louw - 'n lewensverhaal**.- Tafelberg, 1998. 920 LOU

Van Onselen, Charles. **The seed is mine**.- D. Philip, 1996 (1997 printing).