

2021 Jolley Prize Shortlist Announcement

Australian Book Review is delighted to announce the shortlist for this year's *ABR* Elizabeth Jolley Short Story Prize, one of the world's leading prizes for new short fiction. This year's prize, worth a total of \$12,500, received 1,428 entries from thirty-six different countries. It was judged by Gregory Day, Melinda Harvey, and Elizabeth Tan. The longlist and extracts from the judges' report can be found on our website.



Camilla Chaudhary
'The Enemy, Asyndeton'



John Richards
'A Fall from Grace'



Lauren Sarazen
'There Are No Stars Here, Either'

About the 2021 Shortlist

Camilla Chaudhary was born in Birmingham, UK, to British and Pakistani parents. After graduating from Cambridge University, she worked briefly as a literary publicist in London before moving into social policy research. She currently lives in Sydney with her husband and three children and continues to combine her career in research with writing.

John Richards has previously lived in Manchester, London, and Singapore. He now lives in Brisbane with his wife and four children. In a previous life he was a lawyer. 'A Fall from Grace' is his first published work of fiction. He is writing more short stories and a novel.

Lauren Sarazen is a writer who lives in Paris. Originally from Southern California, she graduated from Chapman University with a BFA in Creative Writing and received her MA in Literature from Université Sorbonne Nouvelle. Her words have appeared in *Hobart*, *Vol. 1 Brooklyn*, *The London Magazine*, *The Washington Post*, *VICE*, *Elle*, *Air Mail*, and more.

More information

ABR will publish the three shortlisted stories in the 2021 August issue. The winner will be announced at a Zoom ceremony on August 10. The event will feature readings from all the shortlisted authors, followed by the announcement of the overall winner. RSVP by emailing rsvp@australianbookreview.com.au.

Interviews

The 2021 Jolley Prize Shortlisted authors are available for interview.

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