



The Royal Society
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*The
Encore
Award*

Encore Award 2019

‘Literary lore as well as practice tells us that second novels are ever the most daunting. They even have a syndrome named after them. That’s why I’ve always been particularly fond of the Encore Award, the brilliant prize that acknowledges the difficulties of the second novel.’

Lisa Appignanesi, RSL Chair

Rules and Entry Form

Closing date: Thursday 31 January 2019

1. The Award

a) A prize of £10,000 will be awarded annually to the author of the work that the judges consider to be the best eligible entry.
b) The judges will be responsible for compiling a shortlist of outstanding books. The shortlist and winner will be announced in June 2019.

c) The award is administered in all respects by the Royal Society of Literature.

2. Eligible Books

a) Any published second novel, which must be a full-length work of fiction written by a writer who has been resident in the United Kingdom (UK) or the Republic of Ireland (RoI) for the past three years, is eligible. Such a book must be a unified and substantial work. Collections of short stories, novellas or children's books are ineligible.
b) Submitted novels must be published in the UK in 2018.

c) A book submitted on behalf of an author who was deceased at the date of publication will not be eligible for consideration.
d) Books originally written in another language, and translated into English, are not eligible.
e) Books published by vanity publishers are not eligible.

3. Entry of Books

a) Books may be entered by publishers based in the UK or RoI or authors who meet eligibility criteria 2a).
b) No books will be returned.
c) Online submissions will not be accepted.
d) All submissions are made on a confidential basis.
e) **Five** copies of each book to be entered (proof copies are accepted) must be submitted by 31 January 2019. Please fill out and enclose the entry form opposite, or email this to martha.stenhouse@rsliterature.org

f) Please send books to:
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Books must not be sent direct to the judges.

Please also complete and return an equal opportunities monitoring form, the information on which will be treated in the strictest confidence and not linked to submissions.



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Please submit the form and books by Thursday 31 January 2019

Title:

Author:

Current place of residence
(town and country):

Imprint:

Publisher:

Contact at publisher
(name, number, email):

Editor (name,
number & email):

Agent (name,
number & email):

Publication date:
