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Emerging Writer Awards

THE MOMENT MAGAZINE EMERGING WRITER AWARDS WERE FOUNDED IN 2004 TO SHOWCASE TALENTED WRITERS WHO HAVE PUBLISHED AT LEAST ONE BOOK, BUT HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED WIDESPREAD RECOGNITION.

2005 WINNERS

FICTION

History of Love

Nicole Krauss

An original and delectable book. Actually a book within a book and a love story within a love story. The reader is rewarded with Krauss' take on the beauty of love and the pathos that results when life is without it.



Inheriting the Holy Land

Jennifer Miller

Her reasoned voice offers fresh insight into what feels like an age-old problem. What makes this book most informed and provocative is Miller's openmindedness and willingness to explore what it feels like to be a Palestinian.



NONFICTION

Sala's Gift

Ann Kirschner

"My mother had a secret." So begins Kirschner's gripping account of her mother's five years in the brutal world of Nazi labor camps, about which she had never told her children. Reconstructing the story through newly found, intimate letters, Kirschner not only learns about her mother but illuminates a lesser-known corner of Holocaust history.



FICTION

Absurdistan

Gary Shteyngart

Like Misha Vainberg, his main character and son of Boris (the 1,238th richest man in Putin's Russia), Shteyngart is no stranger to straddling two worlds. Be prepared to laugh—and leave political correctness at the border—when entering the imaginary, oil-rich post-Soviet republic of Absurdsvani, which faithfully lives up to its name.



SHORT FICTION

How This Night is Different

Elisa Albert

The stories in this collection are irreverent, acerbic and wickedly funny. Albert skewers Judaism's traditions and doesn't hesitate to mix it up when confronting the biggies—marriage and family dynamics. In her audacious final story, "Etta or Bessie or Dora or Rose," Albert sends a fan letter to Philip Roth, "the father figure" of Jewish literature, asking to bear his child.



CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

The Adventures of Rabbi Harvey

Steve Sheinkin

From putting tough guy "Big Milt" Wasserman in his place to convincing a boy that he is not a chicken, Rabbi Harvey saves the day in the Wild West. With Jewish wit and simple strokes, Sheinkin has created a graphic novel for the whole family. As one of our Publish-a-Kid reviewers rayes, it's "awesome, and most of all hilarious!"



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