Censorship in children’s literature

Program

09.30-10.00: Coffee, informal

10.00-10.05  Trygve Nordby: Welcome

10.00-10.15: Nisrin Maktabi Barkouki and Dag Larsen: Issues on Censorship in Children’s Literature

10.15-11.00 James La Rue: Woods Without Wolves – Why Parents Seek to Censor Materials for Children

11.00-11.15 Questions, remarks

11.15-11.45 Fatima Sharafeddine: Inappropriate in The Middle East? Inappropriate in Europe?

11.45-12.30 Lunch

12.30-13.00 Zoreh Ghaeini: Iranian Experiences


13.20-14.00 Gunnar Ardelius, Bjørn Ingvaldsen and Kristenn Einarsson discussing Censorship or Self-Censorship? Moderator: Hege Newth

14.00-14.15 Break


15.15-15.45 Plenary debate and questions

15.45-16.00 Summing up, Norwegian PEN and NBI
Thursday September 14th at The Children’s Book Festival, Oslo

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17.00-18.00  **Zoreh Ghaeini** presents *Read with me!* – a reading project for children in poor districts in Iran. The project was nominated to Astrid Lindgren’s Memorial Award in 2017.

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15.00-16.00  **James La Rue** and **Fatima Sharafeddine** discussing censorship and self-censorship in childrens literature with **Hilde Hagerup**, author in teaching position at The Norwegian Institute for Children’s Books.
Speakers

Trygve Nordby
Chairman of NBI’s board

James La Rue
Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom & The Freedom to Read Foundation in The American Library Association (ALA).

Fatima Sharafeddine
Lebanese writer of books for children and young adults. Her books have been translated to many languages. Faten (Du, jente) is also published in Norway.

Zohreh Ghaeini
Director of The Institute for The Research on The History of Children’s Literature in Iran.

Dina Roll-Hansen
Senior Advisor at NORLA (Norwegian Literature Abroad), working with books for children and young adults.

Gunnar Ardelius
Swedish writer, Chairman of The Swedish Writers Union.

Bjørn Ingvaldsen
Norwegian writer, formerly Leader of The Norwegian Writers for Children.

Kristenn Einarsson
Director of The Norwegian Publishers Union and also leader of the Freedom to Publish Comitée in The International Publishers Union.

Ragnfrid Trohaug
Chief Editor for childrens books at Cappelen Damm.

Siri Odfjell Risdal
Librarian and Project Manager at Stavanger Public Library, Sølvberget.

Vibeke Røgler
Deputy Director at Association Read!

Synne Eline Loftesnes
Chief buyer of children’s literature at Tanum Bookstore

Hege Newth
General Secretary, Norwegian PEN

Nisrin Maktabi Barkouki
Advisor at The Multilingual Library, The National Library of Norway and Head of Multicultural Section, Norwegian PEN

Dag Larsen
Head of Studies at The Norwegian Institute for Children’s Books.