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## AWARDS

The Aschehoug Award 2014 (for overall authorship)

# Previous nominations:

The Ibsen Award in 2013 (for the play En kropp)
Nordic Council's Children's and Youth
Literature Prize 2015 (for Joel og Io, illustrated by Anna Fiske)

The Brage Award 2012 (for the children's book *lben og forvandlingen*, illustrated by Anna Fiske)



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## Geir Gulliksen

# The Story of a Marriage



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Nominated for the Norwegian Critics' Prize for Literature 2015 Nominated for the Norwegian Literary Award: P2 Listeners Novel Prize 2015

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# Geir Gulliksen

Geir Gulliksen (b. 1963) is a writer and publishing editor. He debuted in 1986 and has written poems, essays, plays, novels and children's books.

In 2014 Gulliksen received the Aschehoug Award for his overall authorship.



## OTHER TITLES

Selected fiction: Bøyde knær, 2012 Forenkling, 2010 Tjuendedagen, 2009

Selected books for children/young adults: Joel og Io, 2015 (ill. by Anna Fiske) Iben og forvandlingen, 2012 (ill. by Anna Fiske)

Drama: Demoner, 2014 En kropp, 2012



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