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# *Fiction*



## POL BECKMANN

Pol Beckmann (Barcelona, 1991). Writer. After few awards for short stories he decided to write his first novel. At the age of 27 years, Beckmann publishes *Novel (Novel·la)* a text that will be a breakthrough for many.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Novel

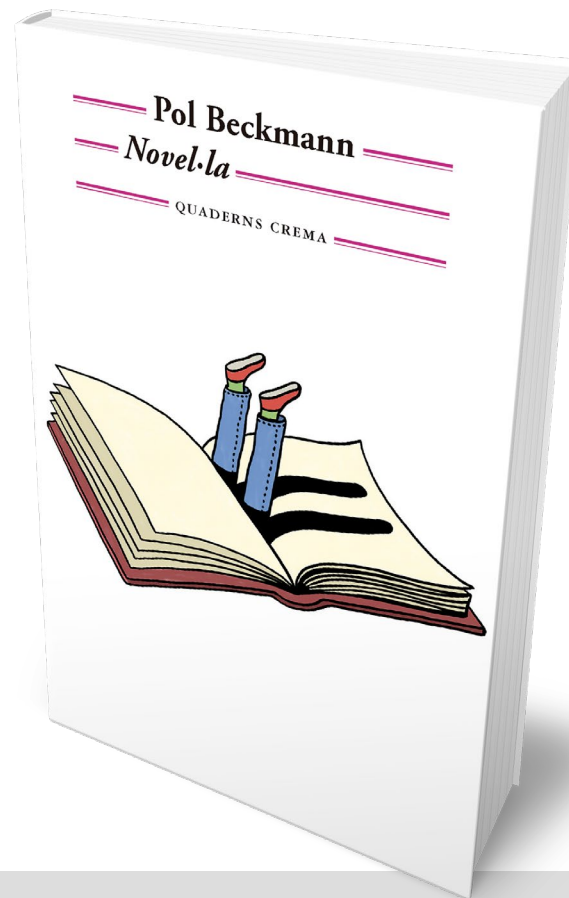
(Novel·la)

Quaderns Crema

October 2018

#REAL\_UNREAL

#METALITERATURE #BREAK\_THROUGH\_AUTHOR



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Bekman is a writer of indeterminate age (although relatively young) who lives in Barcelona. At first we see how he maintains an unlikely idyllic relationship with Sofia; at the same time he meets another woman, Zilina, with whom the relationship is much more imperfect and unsatisfactory. However, Bekman is reluctant to stop seeing her. Sofia might be perfect but is also very absorbing.

Soon, Bekman will realize that he can not continue this way: he aspires to adapt to the reality of the world, even though he has always disliked him. He decides to suppress Sofia of his life and bet on Zilina. He tries hard to forget the past, he even convinces himself of his happiness, but he inevitably succumbs to the temptation to meet his previous love again. This reunion is more turbulent than he expected: Bekman ends up going crazy: is everything he lives and sees real?

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## JOAN CARRERAS

(Barcelona, 1962) Winner of the Sant Jordi and Ciutat de Barcelona awards. He began his literary career with two books of short stories published in Quaderns Crema, 1991 and 1993. Later he published his first novels: *La gran nevada*, *Qui va matar el Floquet de Neu* and the provocative *L'home d'origami*. Afterwards, he publishes *Carretera secundària* (best book of the year in Catalan according to Time Out magazine), *Cafè Barcelona* (award Ciutat de Barcelona 2013) and *L'àguila negra*, Sant Jordi Award.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## The Woman of the Cadillac

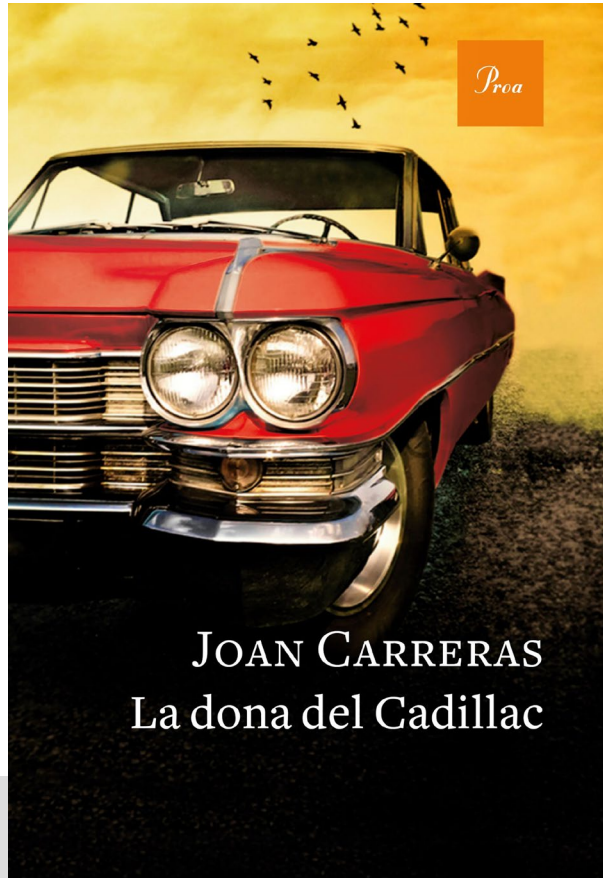
(La dona del Cadillac)

Proa, 2017 | 328p | 2 ed

#Upmarket\_Thriller #Noir

“ A thrilling novel full of intrigue and mysteries that tell us about guilt and a past that everyone wants to forget in their own way. ”

60 Sample pages in Spanish



» THE WOMAN OF THE CADILLAC EXPOSES THE SECRET LIVES OF A SMALL TOWN WHERE EVERYONE, AS WELL AS THE READER, HAS ITS HIDDEN MONSTERS AND GHOSTS.

» JOAN CARRERAS SHOWS WITH THIS BOOK THAT LITERARY QUALITY DOES NOT CONFLICT WITH THE VOCATION TO WRITE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

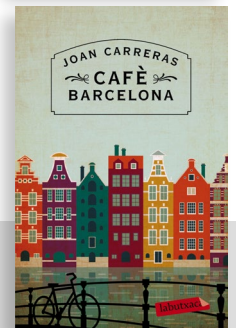
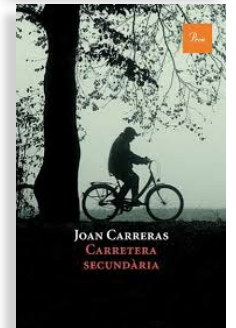
» AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR CIUTAT DE BARCELONA AND PREMI SANT JORDI.

A thrilling novel full of intrigue and mysteries about guilt.

The man who arrives to the town of Mompug has a very simple mission: talk to Helena Bau and buy her the Cadillac she keeps in a garage.

But things are never what they seem. Some neighbors do not welcome the presence of a stranger. Those who run the bar, nor the guy at the gas station, nor his unclear business uncle. All conceal their reasons and all ignore the real scope of the mystery.

An absorbing, accurate and resounding novel that speaks of the weight of a past.





## JORDI COCA

(Barcelona, 1947) is a novelist and playwright. His literary career began with *Un d'aquells estius*, and he has published numerous works ever since, including novels, short stories, poetry, and plays. Notable among his novels are *La japonesa*, Premi Josep Pla 1992, *Sota la pols*, Premi Sant Jordi 1999, *Lena* and *Cara d'àngel*, Premi Joanot Martorell 2003. With *California* (2016) he reached his 20th novel.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## The Eyes of the Liar Men

(Els ulls dels homes mentiders)

Comanegra, 2018 | 210p

#Barcelona-Paris #May68

“ A tribute to May 68 in the 50th anniversary ”



COCA DRAWS THE INCIPIENT SOCIAL AND POLITICAL REVOLUTION IN A GRAY BARCELONA, AND BRAVELY STATES THAT IF THE DICTATOR WAS SO LONG IN POWER WAS BECAUSE MANY FELT COMFORTABLE WITH THE SITUATION.

### NÚVOL :

“Splendid coral novel. The secondary characters are like precious stones in a mosaic, such as Tolstoi’s.”

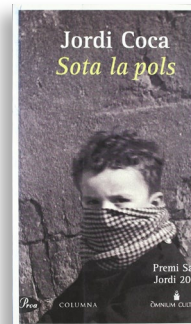
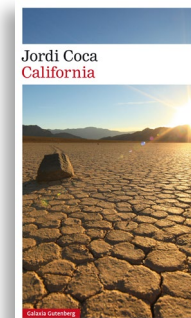
### ARA :

“An exciting novel and an essential document to recover the regenerative social drive of the second half of the 60’s. [...] Political commitment, passion for art or sexual freedom, resorting to, among other strategies, many literary and cinematographic references.”

### CULTURAS, LA VANGUARDIA :

“A good chronicle of the 60’s, with an atmosphere of literary and cinematic discoveries.”

Barcelona, 1968. End of the dictatorship of Franco. May 68 in Paris. Airs of revolution in Barcelona. Revolt of students and workers. Communism is their new faith and they move into a network of amateur and dangerous clandestine. The protagonist of the novel is a consented only child born in a wealthy family of Barcelona who intends to make the revolutionary, but in fact he is interested in free sex and poor studying. Colleagues will soon notice that he is not brave enough to move underground but he is one of the few who have a car to take police fugitives across the border.



# Emotions Series (Col·lección Emociones)

THE SERIES *EMOTIONS* IS ONE OF THE BEST KNOWN OF COMANEGRA PUBLISHING HOUSE.

## WHY THESE BOOKS ARE SUCH A SUCCESS?

- ✓ **Teachings** transmit emotion to both young people and adults.
- ✓ **Small:** 18x13 cm.
- ✓ **Short:** 100-130 pgs
- ✓ **Lovely, Elegant, Meaningful** covers.

#FEEL\_GOOD  
#FABLES  
#ON\_EMOTIONS

### The Key of Emotions

(La llave de las emociones)  
Silvia Congost

#TOXIC\_RELATIONSHIP  
#FREEDOM\_TO\_LOVE



*The way to discover freedom to love, to free yourself from emotional dependence and enjoy a healthy relationship.*

### The Principle of the Circle

(El principio del círculo)  
Michi Kobayashi

#COMMUNICATION  
#PRACTICAL\_TIPS



*An emotional story full of tenderness that shows how to take advantage of contact and communication to move on the path to happiness on a day to day basis.*

### A Hidden Treasure

(Un tesoro escondido)  
Gemma Lienas

#SELF\_ESTEEM  
#INNER\_LOOK



*Ten steps to discover our hidden treasure.*

### The Lion and the Full Moon

(El león y la Luna llena)  
Nora Shen & Mireia Darder

#FEARS\_&COMPLEXES  
#VITALITY\_MANYFESTO



*A map to conquer the labyrinth of life, this is the story of a wonderful cycle. A manifesto that vindicates the awareness of the here and now.*

### The Time of the Lotus

(El tiempo del loto)  
Tew Bunnag

#MAGICAL\_ENERGY  
#LOSS

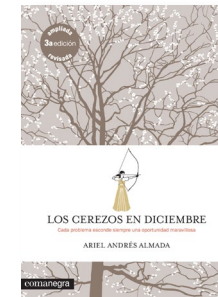


*A moving story about the magical energy that allows us to overcome any loss in life.*

### Cherry Tress in December

(Los cerezos en diciembre)  
Ariel Andrés Almada

#PERSEVERANCE

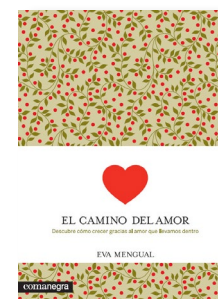


*Only if we recognize ourselves as part of the problem can we be part of the solution. Each problem always hides a wonderful opportunity.*

### The Path of Love

(El camino del amor)  
Eva Mengual

#BROKEN\_HEARTS  
#LOSS\_&LOVE



*Discover how to grow thanks to the love we carry inside.*

### The Wings of the Butterfly

(Las alas de la mariposa)  
Ariel Andrés Almada

#FEAR\_&ANXIETY  
#HIDDEN\_OPPRTUNITIES



*A cry for us to wake up in time and start living the life not lived, when the darkest moment is just before dawn.*

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#FEEL\_GOOD #FABLES #ON\_EMOTIONS

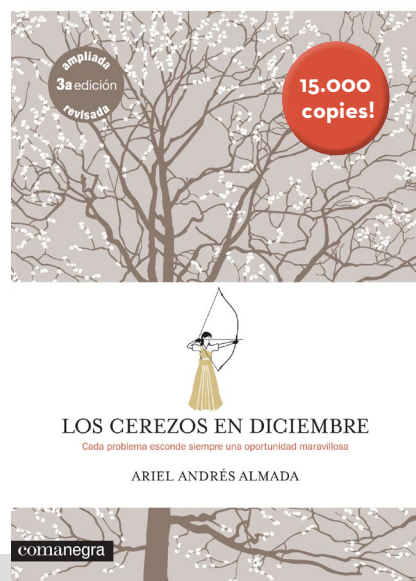
## Cherry Tress in December

(Los cerezos en diciembre)

Ariel Andrés Almada

3 ed | 15.000 copies sold

-- Discouragement nests in Saki's heart. At 17, she feels immersed in sadness and apathy for no apparent reason. His parents, disoriented, turn to Takumi, the master of archery that will turn this noble art into a vital teaching for the young woman. --



#Perseverance  
#Problem\_&\_Opportunity

“ A story of humility, perseverance and faith in oneself, which conveys that only if we recognize ourselves as part of the problem can we be part of the solution. Each problem always hides a wonderful opportunity. ”

**Ariel Andrés Almada**, lover of travel, white tea and dark chocolate, works as a business consultant and has published several business books. *The Cherry Trees In December* is his first work of fiction.

## The Principle of the Circle

(El principio del círculo)

Michi Kobayashi

8.000 copies sold

#Communication  
#Practical\_Tips

“ An emotional story full of tenderness that shows how to take advantage of contact and communication to move on the path to happiness on a day to day basis. ”



Apparently everything is going well at Hikaru's house, but his parents will discover that the boy is actually distant and lowering his performance. The situation will only improve when Hikaru meets Mrs. Akiyama, a mysterious woman who will teach him the importance of contact and good communication with the people he loves. (Final chapter with practical recommendations that 100% of readers can apply to improve their personal relationships.)

**Michi Kobayashi** is not born on a specific day of a given year, but he does it with time and experience. Under the pseudonym of Michi Kobayashi there is a group of professionals formed a psychotherapist, a coach, a naturopath, a doctor, a psychologist, an engineer and a journalist.



# Emotions Series (Col·lección Emociones)

THE SERIES **EMOTIONS** IS ONE OF THE BEST KNOWN OF COMANEGRA PUBLISHING HOUSE.

#FEEL\_GOOD#FABLES #ON\_EMOTIONS

## The Time of the Lotus

(El tiempo del loto)

Tew Bunnag

2 ed | 7.000 copies sold

#MagicalEnergy  
#Loss



IN THIS STORY, TEW BUNNAG TELLS US ABOUT THAT STRANGE AND WONDERFUL ENERGY THAT THOSE WHO LIVE NEXT TO DEATH FEEL AS WELL AS IT TEACHES US THAT ONLY BY EMBRACING THE PAIN OF LOSS WE CAN BEGIN TO LIVE FULLY AND HAPPILY.

A GENEROUS AND EMOTIONAL STORY THAT, THANKS TO ITS ORIENTAL LOOK, HELPS US TO UNDERSTAND THE TIME OF DEATH, OF MOURNING FOR LOVED ONES.

“ A moving story about the magical energy that allows us to overcome any loss in life. ”

**Tew Bunnag** alternates his time between Catalonia and Thailand, where he works actively in his foundation dedicated to caring for and welcoming terminally ill people, people with AIDS and children from the suburbs of Bangkok, where he was born. He teaches seminars on death, tai chi, chi kung, I Ching, in different spaces, countries and contexts.

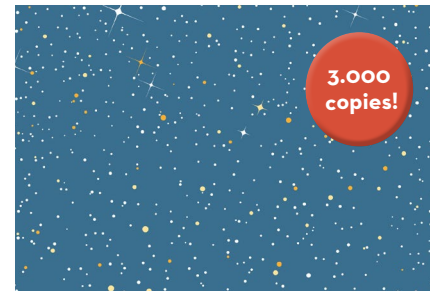
## The Lion and the Full Moon

(El león y la Luna llena)

Nora Shen and Mireia Darder

3.000 copies sold

#Communication  
#Practical\_Tips



SHE IS CALLED LUNA. THE LITTLE ONE, WHO IS NO LONGER SO, IS FELIX. ARIEL IS THE GRANDFATHER, SITTING, ASLEEP, IN HIS PADDED ARMCHAIR. LUNA REALIZES THAT NOBODY LISTENS IN HER HOUSE. AT THAT PRECISE MOMENT, UNDER THE DOOR SHE FINDS THE NOTE OF A NEIGHBOR THAT WILL UNLEASH THE MOST IMPORTANT CORRESPONDENCE OF HER LIFE. A STORY ABOUT THE FEARS AND COMPLEXES THAT AFFECT US EVERY DAY. A MAP TO CONQUER THE LABYRINTH OF LIFE.

“ This is the story of a wonderful cycle of transformation. A manifesto of vitality that vindicates the awareness of the here and now. ”

**Mira Darder** presents this Nora Shen fable about the fears and complexes that affect us every day. Shen, the new discovery of the Emotions collection, demonstrates with this work an unusual sensibility, adding doses of a very personal style to its strong roots with tradition.



## TÀNIA JUSTE

(Barcelona, 1972). In 2009 she published her first novel, an homage to the hopeful times of the Second Spanish Republic, *A flor de pell*, after which came *Els anys robats*. With *L'hospital dels pobres*, Juste went a step further and gained popularity and several editions. In 2015 receives the **Nèstor Luján Award for the intens story of a family among vineyards**, *Temps de família*.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Passage To A New World

(Passatge al nou món)

Columna, May 2018

Rights sold:

**Spanish:** Maeva

#Historical #Women\_Fiction #Love\_&\_Friendship

“With a love of the past that returns and a welcoming country that waits for the wrong person, the futures of a French-Catalan woman and her Russian friend change in a surprising way. Set at the end of 1918, an amazing story of love and friendship.”



### Culturas, LV:

“A picture of the yesterday’s world described by Stefan Zweig and Federico Fellini. [...] Well documented and written. [...] A novel written with joy, *Passatge al nou món* works!”

### Núvol:

“[The author’s] stories reach a wider public who is not so interested in getting the main facts, but rather learn more about them in a more agile and informal way. [...] An interesting game between narrative stages.”

### La petita llibreria:

“One of those works that does not let you go to sleep, you want to read more and more... Having a work of this author at home is synonymous with a pleasant, emotional, well-written reading, set with delicate addition, careful in detail”

Port of Barcelona, 1918. Berta Casals is a twenty-year-old girl who embarks on the transatlantic Queen Victoria Eugenia on her way to Argentina, where she goes to marry Julio Mitchell, a wealthy Patagonian rancher and friend of the family to whom she barely knows.

During her journey, Berta gets bored with the formalities and rigid rules of first class elitist passengers. Her only confidant on the ship will be Irina Alexandrovna, with whom she will share conversations, complicities and an unmissable secret that seals their destiny forever.

70 years later, Berta will tell her granddaughter about the true story behind that unforgettable journey.

## Family Time

(Temps de família)

Columna, 2015 | 368p | **3 ed**  
**Nèstor Luján Award** of Historical Fiction

Rights sold:

**Spanish:** Maeva

#Women\_Fiction  
#Family\_Saga #Historical



**M. Carme Roca, jury**  
«A fascinating portrait of the first half of the 20th century.»

**La Vanguardia**  
«Temps de família weaves a web of clandestine love affairs, fraternal hatred and even murder unsolved.»

**El Punt Avui**  
«Inspired by classic authors such as Thomas Mann and Rodoreda.»

THROUGH THE LIVES OF THREE GENERATIONS OF THE GINER FAMILY, THEIR CLANDESTINE LOVES, FRATERNAL HATRED, AND UNSOLVED MURDER MYSTERIES, TEMPS DE FAMÍLIA (FAMILY TIME) WEAVES A PLOT AS ATTRACTIVE AND MAGNIFICENT AS THE VINEYARDS THAT SERVE AS THE SETTING FOR THIS LINEAGE.

“ A novel about a Catalan family, the wine industry and the evolution towards an industrialized modern world that wants to leave old rural traditions behind. ”

A faithful portrayal of a time and a country, a novel that talks about the men and women who fought to restore their lands, devastated by the phylloxera plague at the end of the 19th century, and who began the 20th century in a rural world undergoing a complete transformation.

## The Hospital of the Poor

(L'hospital dels pobres)

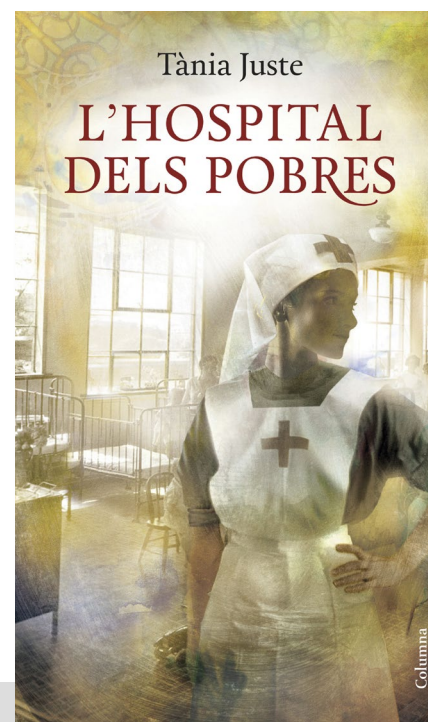
Columna, 2014 | 333p | **7 ed**

Rights sold:

**Spanish:** Maeva

“ A novel about the construction of the Hospital de Sant Pau, the largest modernist compound of all times. ”

#Barcelona\_&\_Modernism  
#Family\_Saga #Historical



» BY THE AUTHOR AWARDED WITH THE NÈSTOR LUJÁN AWARD 2015 FOR HISTORICAL FICTION.

» **7 ed** IN TRADE & POCKET.

Long English synopsis & sample pages available!

Barcelona, the beginning of the twentieth century. Santa Creu Hospital is heaving inside the old medieval city walls that have sheltered it for five centuries.

This is a portrait of a society divided by social class and the story of a love of ideals, a conception of art and a woman who, since she was small, has lived through the construction of some of the greatest modernist gems in the world. The lives of a handful of characters cross over indefinitely and together they make the new hospital for the poor people of the city a reality.



## GEMMA LIENAS

Gemma (Barcelona, 1951) is a Catalan writer, feminist and speaker. For the last 15 years she has worked in several media, press and radio, and has given lectures all over Spain and Catalonia. She **has written more than 90 books** for adults, young adults and children as well as she has received **several national awards** (Ramon Llull Award) and the **internationally known Honorable Mention** IBBY recognition. Her works have been **translated into ten languages**.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## The Invisible Thread

(El fil invisible)

Edicions 62, 2018 | 416p

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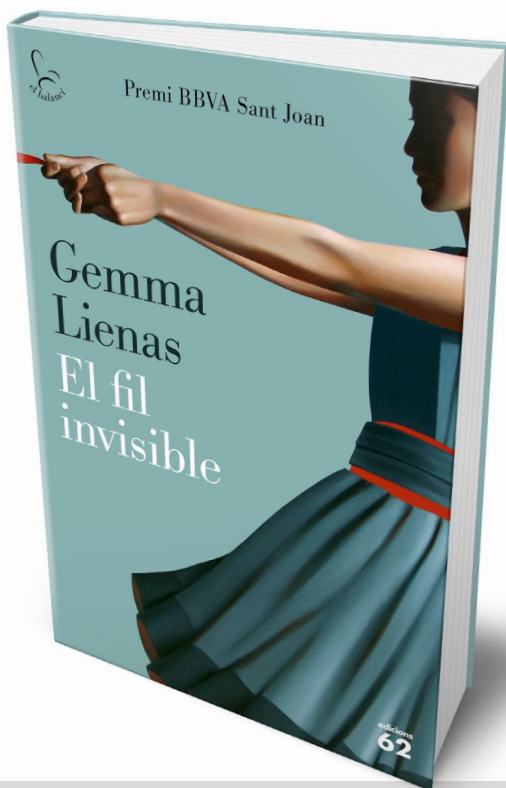
**Spanish:** Destino

#Upmarket\_Commercial

#Woman\_Fiction

#Literary\_Smell

- ✓ SANT JOAN AWARD 2018
- ✓ LEAD AUTUMN TITLE IN EDICIONS 62 (PLANETA GROUP)
- ✓ SOBER PROSE WRITTEN WITH EXPERTISE



### KEY SELLING POINTS

- **WWII, RESISTENCE & NAZI OCCUPATION** OF BRITANNY.
- **MOTHERHOOD** FROM A POLIEDRIC POINT OF VIEW, UNDERLYING THE WHOLE NOVEL.
- **FEMINIST FIGHT:** LIGHT TO 2 FORGOTTEN FEMALE LEADING NAMES, SPECIALLY ROSALIND FRANKLIN.
- **DOMESTIC NOIR:** FAMILY SECRETS, OLD PICTURES DATED IN WWII, STOLEN AND REPLACED BABIES .

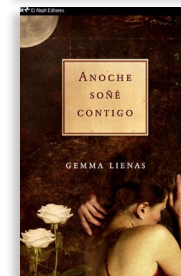
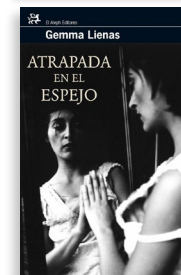
*The search for a mysterious family secret that has its origins in WWII.*

*The reconstruction of the true role of a XXth century female scientist.*

Doubts haunt Júlia, a woman in her early thirties. Does she love her husband enough? Is she really prepared to be a mother? Will she find the time to finish her script about the true role of scientist Rosalind Franklin in the discovery of the double helix of the DNA?

To escape from so many uncertainties, Júlia accepts the invitation of her French family with whom she's never been in touch before to spend a whole month in the island of Batz. There, in the old family house, on the seashore, an imposing great-grandmother who's turning 100 this August awaits her.

Thanks to Júlia's observation habillity, she catches an enigmatic detail in some old photographs that date back to World War II, and what was supposed to be a family vacation soon becomes a research about her own origins, which contain a dark secret, jealously guarded by Júlia's centenarian great-grandmother.



## *I Am the One Who Killed Franco*

(Jo soc aquell que va matar Franco)

Proa, 2018 | 300p



### JOAN-LLUÍS LLUÍS

(Perpignan, 1963) is a writer and a journalist. He studied Art History at Montpellier University. He has written some non fiction and mainly fiction. In recent years, he has published *Aiguafang*, Crítica Serra d'Or Award in 2009, *Xocolata desfeta* (2009), an experimental work of narrative, and the novel *Cròniques d'un déu coix*, winner of the Lletra d'Or 2014.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

**Sant Jordi Award**  
**3 editions in 2 months!**

#Historical #Literary# Uchrony

“ A clever book with a very attractive plot. It will be one of the important books of the near future. ”



### Facts

- Demonstration of talent in creation of uchronies
- A gripping plot with a master use of language
- The main character deserves a place next to Rodoreda's

### Figures

- 3 editions
- 2 bestselling in Sant Jordi, International Book Day
- 1 in best sellers lists & bookshops
- 3 in Amazon e-books (in Catalan)

### LA VANGUARDIA :

“AMAZING SKILLS OF THE AUTHOR TO BUILD THIS NOVEL. [...] CLASSIC IN THE STRUCTURE AND WITHOUT ORNAMENTS. [...] ON THIS SO CONVINCING BACKGROUND, A PLOT WITH DIFFERENT RHYTHMS AND REGISTERS UNFOLDS.”

### VILAWEB, ASSUMPCIÓ MARESMA:

“THE NOVEL IS READ WITH EMOTION BECAUSE THERE IS INTRIGUE AND BEAUTY IN EVERY SINGLE WORD.”

### JOSEP LLUCH, PUBLISHER:

“JOAN LLUÍS LLUÍS IS NEVER PREDICTABLE AND HE NEVER GETS STUCK IN HIS WAYS. HIS LATEST NOVEL IS A PARTY FOR ANY READER”

Agustí Vilamat was born in 1916 in a modest house in Solsona and he claims to have killed Franco.

Thanks to the children's magazines kept by a notary friend of the family, he discovers the taste for reading and the secrets of the language. Few years later, he moves to Barcelona to work as a proofreader, shortly before the war breaks out. Yielding to the pressures of Hitler, Franco declares war to the Allies and bombs Argelés, where Agustí stays detained. What will do then, the young man in love with dictionaries?

More on  
**Joan-Lluís Lluís**

## **The Navigator**

(El navegant)

Proa, 2016 | 352p | 3 ed

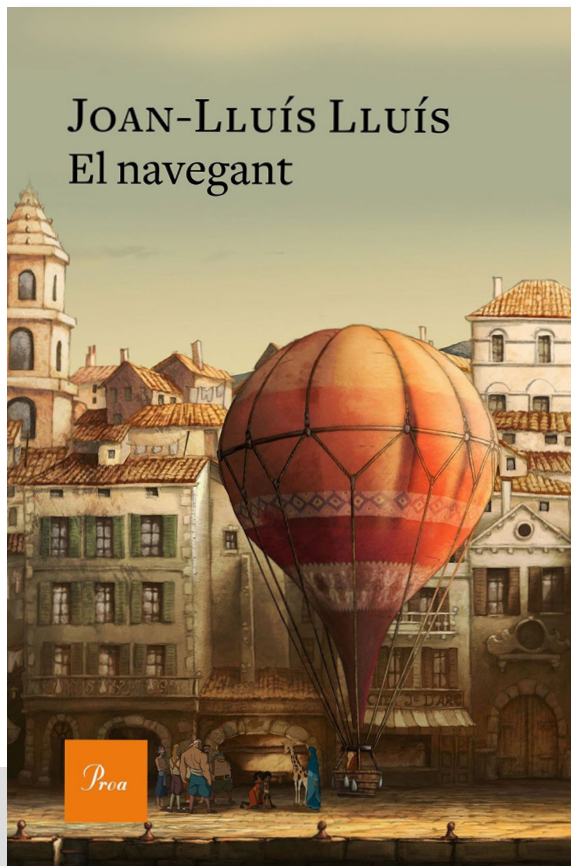
Rights sold:

**Spanish:** Navona

**Crítica Serra d'Or Award  
for the best novel in Catalan in 2016**

#Historical #Literary #Modern\_Fable

“ A personal narrative style that singles the author out from other writers of his generation. ”



English  
sample  
available!

COMPARED TO PATRICK SÜSKIND, ZOLA, ALBERT SÁNCHEZ PIÑOL, MONTAIGNE, JULES VERNE OR CALVINO.

*Shortlisted in the international programme New Spanish Books, UK panel.*

### **La Vanguardia:**

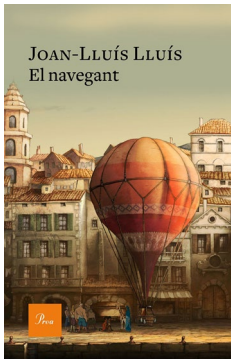
«WITH A BRANCH OF ITALO CALVINO, ANOTHER MONTAIGNE'S ESSAYS AND ONE OF ROBINSON CRUSOE. [...] COMPARED TO SÁNCHEZ PIÑOL.»

Assiscla Xatot is born in Perpinyà in 1852 with a very special ability: a gift that allows him to acquire any language as soon as he hears a single word. Xatot is involved in the riots of the Paris Commune and is deported to New Caledonia, where he will be adopted by an indigenous clan and named his particular storyteller.

Following the patterns of picaresque and adventure novels, Joan-Lluís Lluís brings into question the survival of languages, what's evil, ambition, servility, colonialism, ideals betrayed, fate, chance, what is 'wild' and what is 'civilization'... all through a precise and beautiful language and an absorbent and fast-paced rhythm.

Among the most classic adventure and the literary genre, a particular trip of a young Catalan with a unique talent.

## ON *EL NAVEGANT*



Proa, 2016 | 352p  
3 ed  
Crítica Serra d'Or  
Award for the best  
novel in Catalan in  
2016

### PRAISES

**El Periódico** - « As in *Perfume* by Patrick Süskind, the superpower of Assiscle is useful to travel through history. [...] Joan-Lluís Lluís uses a **beautiful and precise language**»

**La Vanguardia** - « A **fast-paced** and **absorbing** reading.»

**Diari Ara** - « The novel is a **tribute to the picaresque** novels. [...] *El navegant* highlights the virtues of the genre: narrative agility, surprises, sense of humor and the self-learning of the main character.»

**Culturas LV** - « A meditation on language, culture and knowledge, [...] *El Navegant* deals with the philosophical narrative adventure with a branch of Italo **Calvino**, another **Montaigne's** essays and one of Robinson Crusoe. [...] Compared to **Sánchez Piñol**.»

**Nosaltresllegim.com** - « Chapters describing the living conditions of prisoners are worthy of **Zola**. [...] We are in front of a **very good adventure story that is much more than that.**»

**El Periódico** « One of the three or four **most valuable books in Catalan fiction this year.**»

### FROM THE READING REPORT (PETER BUSH), UK PANNEL

«*The Navigator* is an original, well written novel with a style of its own that hooks the reader. Although it is a historical adventure novel, its perspective is contemporary and thought-provoking.

[...] well-constructed and very readable.

[...] an **original adventure novel** that also highlights the riches that all languages possess.

[...] **extremely convincing.**

[...] The author introduces the theme of linguistic diversity and reflects on **the phenomenon of world languages without becoming pedantic.**

[...] In terms of style, **the novel recalls Zola's** (especially in the pages relating the agitated months Assiscle spends in Paris), **and also Jules Verne.** »





## SALVADOR MACIP

(Blanes, Girona, 1970) has a doctorate in Medicine from the Universitat de Barcelona. He is a researcher and a writer. He moved to New York in 1998 to work as a researcher of molecular bases of cancer at the Mount Sinai Hospital. Since 2008, he continues his research at the University of Leicester (UK), where he directs the group of cell death mechanisms and is a professor of the Biochemistry Department. Salvador Macip has published several books, both for adult readers and children.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## The Limits of Life

(Els límits de la vida)

La Galera, 2014 | 250p

Rights sold

**Spanish:** La Galera

**Germany:** Hanser Verlag

**Italian:** Salani

“A fascinating journey through the main ideas of biology and, at the same time, a story of love and survival full of amusing and surprising scientific anecdotes.”



#Crossover  
#Biology  
#Life\_Is\_Beautiful

SOPHIE'S WORLD BY J. GAARDNER  
EXPLAINED PHILOSOPHY.

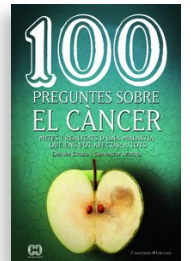
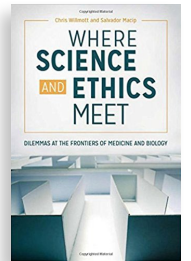
THE DOOR OF THE THREE LOCKS BY  
SONIA F. VIDAL EXPLAINED QUANTUM  
PHYSICS.

ELS LÍMITS DE LA VIDA, NOW, EXPLAINS  
BIOLOGY, WHAT WE ARE AND WHAT  
WE DO HERE.

**A novel that explains the concept  
of life. A novel about biology.**

Lara is not even fifteen and she does not care about anything anymore. She's between life and death. An outbreak of her illness has left her in the UVI, alone, to spend a night that can be decisive. But in the room there is also Carmen, a doctor she does not know and who begins to explain a fascinating story: the story of life itself.

» Non fiction  
titles on [p34](#)







## DAVID NEL-LO

(Barcelona, 1959) is a writer, flute player and translator. A very well-known Catalan writer especially among children and YA. He has won many different awards for his adult novels as Marian Vayreda Award for *El meu cor cap a tu per sempre* or Roc Boronat Award for *Setembre a Perugia*. *Melissa & Nicole*, his latest work, has received the Prudenci Bertrana Award, one of the most prestigious in Catalan language.

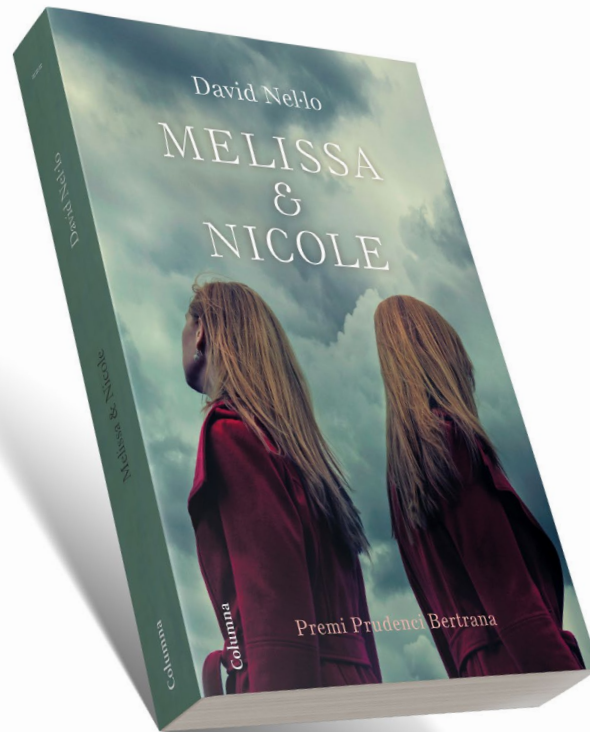
[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Melissa & Nicole

Columna, 2018 | 261p  
Prudenci Bertrana Award  
Unanimous vote as *\*best novel\** by the jury

#StolenBabies  
#UpmarketCommercial  
#LiteraryMystery

“ The families of two girls who are twin and have grown up separately because one of them is a stolen girl, find themselves casually on an island in the Baltic Sea. ”



-AN ISLAND IN SWEDEN -  
-TWO FAMILIES ACCIDENTALLY MEET-  
-A DISTURBING SECRET-

An exceptional novel that places the reader before the moral and ethical dilemma of decisions that have unforeseeable consequences.

### X. Cortadellas, literary critic:

“WHEN WE READ MELISSA & NICOLE, WE ALL IN THE JURY WERE ENTHUSIASTIC. IT IS A NOVEL WITH MANY LAYERS. IT SEEMS PERFECT FOR THE WORD OF MOUTH”

The Callahans and the Vinyals’ will casually meet on a small island in the Baltic Sea on the eve of the summer solstice. The two families are visiting the small island of Fårö, a few kilometers from the Swedish island of Gotland. They do not know that they are on the same island or that they are about to meet. So what unites them? All and nothing. The daughter of the Callahans, Melissa, is very American. Nicole Vinyals, on the other hand, is the perfect young Parisian girl. And yet, after the fortuitous encounter, the events will happen in a very brief period of few days and will shake completely the existence of two families that would not have wanted to meet again.





## BEL OLID

(Mataró, 1977) is writer, translator, university professor and feminist to the bone. She presided the Conseil Européen des Associations de Traducteurs Littéraires (CEATL) and since March 2015 she is the president of the association of Catalan writers. She writes both for adult in fiction and non fiction, and for children.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## TINA FRANKENS

(Tina Frankens)

Illustrator: Montse Rubio

Fanbooks, 2018 | 168p

#Frankenstein\_Myth  
#Being\_Yourself #Scars  
#Revisiting\_Classics

“A recreation of the Frankenstein myth from a **contemporary and feminine perspective.**”



THE FIRST  
CROSSOVER NOVEL  
BY BESTSELLING  
AUTHOR  
Bel Olid

Tina wakes up one day confused, with her aching body full of scars. She does not remember anything of her past and where or why is she in that house with that woman who keeps repeating is her aunt and that she was in a coma due to a severe accident.

At the very first weeks, Tina will just accept everything trying to remember something from when she was a child. But hardly nothing comes back, few flashes, only.

As time passes, Tina feels stronger, starts to make questions: why does she has so many scars? Was it really an accident? How many years has she been asleep? And where are supposed to be her parents or school-mates? Did she have a boyfriend? And above all: who is she exactly?



-Non fiction title on [p37](#)



## Life Without Sara Amat

(La vida sense la Sara Amat)

Proa, 2016 | 296p

Sant Jordi Award 2015

Rights sold: **Italian** - Marsilio Editore

#Childhood #First\_Love #Lost\_Of\_Innocence



« This book is the evocation, thirty years later, of a fleeting moment in which one stops being a child to become something a little more complicated. »

- **The film** *Life Without Sara Amat* will be soon released by producer Massa d'Or.

“ Life Without Sara Amat is the confession of unforgettable events, in the last childhood summer, with an obedient and in love boy and a girl who wasn't a child no more and wished badly to fly away. ”

Who remembers, today, Sara Amat? She was barely thirteen years old when a Summer night, playing seek-and-hide with the team, disappeared and nothing else was ever known of her. Only rumors and speculations. Pep, the narrator of this story, remembers her especially. Because that night, as he tells us, Sara did not disappear, but she sneak into his house through the back door. She hid for several days and later, disappeared.



**PEP PUIG** (Terrassa, 1969). Writer. Passionate on cinema, he writes from a very young age, although he will not publish until he is 35 years old. His first novel, *L'home que torna*, won the Fnac Young Talent Award. After eight years of silence, Puig returns with the awarded *La vida sense la Sara Amat* that will soon reach the theatres in 2019. His last published novel, *Els metecs*, is again a self-referential text or as he puts it "Everything is a great fiction, even if it passes through oneself".

## The Immigrants

(Els metecs)

Empúries, 2018 | 368p

#Paternity #Friendship #Being\_Stranger



“ A novel about the male crisis related to paternity. ”

Once they have left the sons at school, les mètèques meet at the corner's cafe. They are friends since their children started school at age of three. Stupid, seemingly misogynist, idle and somehow useless, the only rule among them is not to talk too seriously. One morning, during a long breakfast, Pere, the writer of the group, listens captivated the story of Mario, who in a down and difficult moment (right after his wife left him), has decided to visit the town where he spent his childhood. He remembers to be happy there until they left after his parents divorce and his father disappeared forever. Pere is trapped in this story and wants to write a novel. At the beginning his friends won't agree so...

*Metec* means foreigner or also stranger. Moustaki wrote *Le Métèque*, about those ones arrived in Greece and are not yet full citizens. Someone who is beyond home. We live in a world of constant displacement and will be always a bit foreigners in our own country.

## Empordanet: A Sentimental Guide

(Guia sentimental de l'Empordanet)

Pòrtic, 2016 | 270p

#Travelling  
#Best\_Places #Discovering



How many visitors to Girona (Catalonia) haven't travelled along the tiny, curvy and cousy roads of Empordà also known as Empordanet (little Empordà) and one of the most beautiful areas of the country?

That said, the first statement that the reader will find in this guide is: "Empordanet does not exist". Once the surprise is over and if he is confident, the author will lead him through the towns and neighborhoods of the area, discover the secret corners, climb up to the watchtowers with the best view. He will drive along roads where he recommends to drive with the open window, he will discover solitary chapels, forgotten bars and good places to eat. And will find the ecos of the History: the footprint of the Iberians, the Greeks, the shoddy works of the Franco regime. Photographs and detailed maps will eventually make this book necessary.



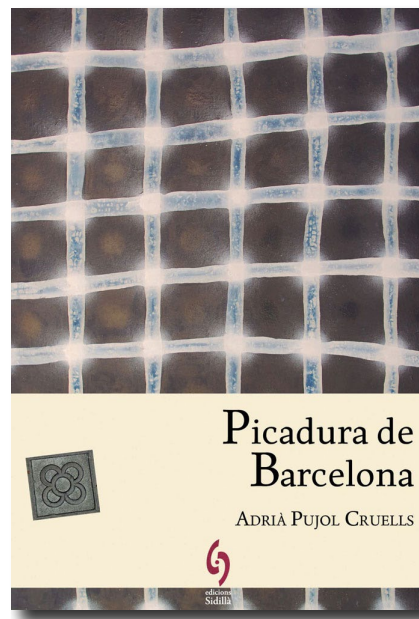
**Adrià Pujol** (Begur, 1974). Anthropologist and writer. He has published essay books, biographies and fiction. Difficult to classify his books by genre, among his many books published, stands out the autobiographical novel *Picadura de Barcelona*, *La carpeta és blava* o *Guia sentimental de l'Empordanet*. All books are always full of irony and humour. Recently, he has published a challenging and experimental book *El fill del corrector / Arre, arre, corrector*, considered by critics as a magnificent book "translinguistic experiment" or "utopian, written, rewritten, translated, comented... book".

## Barcelona Potholes

(Picadura de Barcelona)

Edicions Sidillà, 2014 | 208p

#Barcelona  
#Urban\_Life #Living\_DownTown



“ On olympic leftovers and other vague illusions, this could be, maybe, the very last book on Barcelona. ”

Barcelona has the ability to live immersed in a considerable jumble. The Olympic Games, the Forum of Cultures, the squatters, the rising prices, the construction bubble, the people who pass by and the streets, that remain. The city is a hive of passions. Some love it. Others would burn it.

After dazzling the critics with *Escafarlata de Empordà* and *Alteracions*, Adrià Pujol dares now to dissect, with intelligence, perspiration and irony, the city and indirectly the whole country.

# Narcís Monturiol and the Stones of Hell

(Narcís Monturioli les pedres de l'infern)

Story: Sebastià Roig / Illustrator: Toni Benages

Males Herbes, 2017 | 64p

## GRAPHIC NOVEL

July 1855. Narcís Monturiol, the future creator of the Ictineo submarine, has just arrived at the village of Cadaques and finds a very crisp atmosphere: some fishermen have disappeared without leaving a trace. The people of the town blame Sabana, whom they accuse of practicing witchcraft. Monturiol will gather a small team: Congre, a simple and forced fisherman; Diri, the son of one of the disappeared; and Sabana, who wants to prove her innocence. Meanwhile, a secret guerrilla of the British army, reinforced by the mental powers of a Hindu faquir, illegally extracts Nautilium, a prodigious mineral that by applying it to military and weapons uses, may subjugate the rest of the nations of the planet.



## SEBASTIÀ ROIG

(Figueras, Girona, 1965)

is a journalist and a contributor for different media outlets. He is also a fan of fantasy films. He has written about comic books, several science fiction novels and a study about horror and fantasy in Catalunya at the beginning of the 20th century.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

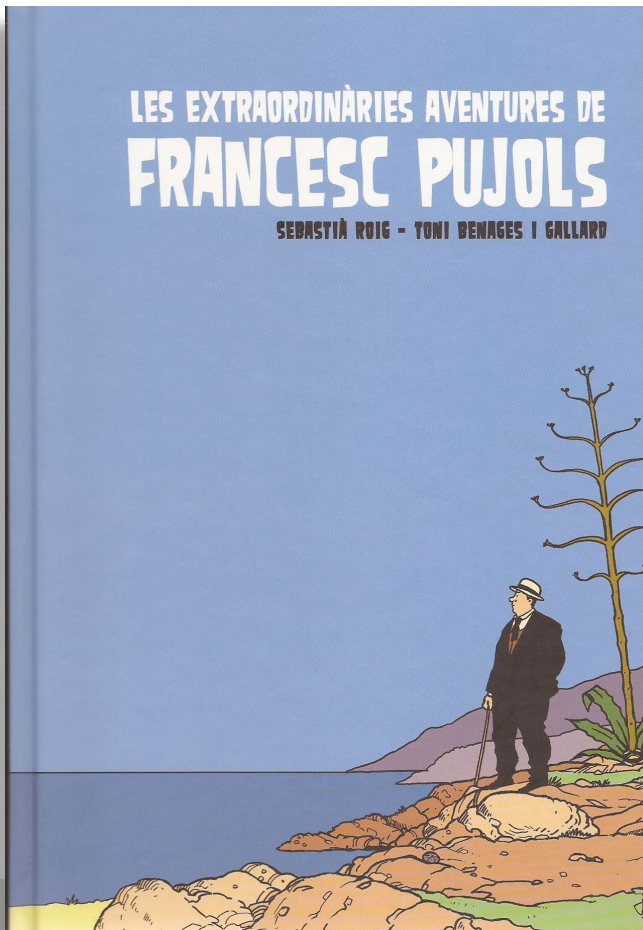
More on **Sebastià Roig**:

## **The Extraordinary Adventures of Francesc Pujols**

(Les extraordinàries aventures de Francesc Pujols)

Males Herbes, 2015 | 96p | 2 ed

GRAPHIC NOVEL



#DALÍ\_&\_PICASSO  
#SURREALISM  
#SCIENCE\_FICTION

Catalunya, early last century. It was a strange place, populated by creatures as extravagant as poets, Cubists painters, witches or aliens. In this environment of progress, rapture and paranormal phenomena, a wise man of talent and incomparable grace, known to all by the name of Francesc Pujols, solves the most bizarre cases.

In his adventures he will be accompanied by some illustrious friends, including J. V. Foix and Fages de Climent. that her husband has fallen in love with another woman.





## J.N. SANTAULÀLIA

(Banyoles, 1955) is a philologist, writer, poet, essayist, novelist and translator. His first publication was a book of poems, *Memòria de la carn*. He worked as a Catalan teacher and also as a tutor at Aula d'Acollida, this is language lessons and resources for non-Catalan speaking students. In 2008-2009 academic year was Catalan reader at the University of Massachusetts (UMASS). He has won several awards, including the **prize of the Serra d'Or Critics Award** for *Bulbs* or the **Columna Award** for *Ulls d'aigua*.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Red Sand

(La sorra vermella)

Proa, 2017 | 419p

3 ed

#Commercial\_Upmarket #Historical

“A novel about **courage and instinct, love and friendship**, that imposes to the tragedy of the war and the later misery.”

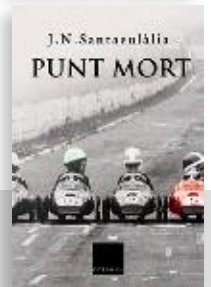
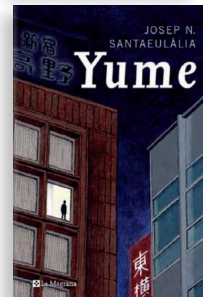
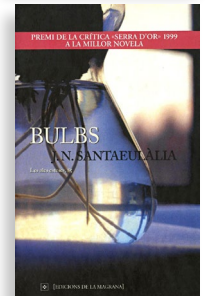
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AT THE TOP IN  
THE CATALAN  
BEST SELLER  
LISTS!

**August Rafanell** - "AN EXCEPTIONAL OUTSTANDING WORK [...]. FOR ME, ONE OF THE BEST WAR NOVELS EVER WRITTEN."

In December 1941, shortly after the end of the war, two anarchist friends, Pedro and Quilis, return clandestinely to Barcelona from French exile in search of a young girl, daughter of the first and a girl shot a few days before by Franco's troops, Núria. What happened to the girl? How will they find her? Who will help them in that scared and oppressed Barcelona? And once they have her, how will they get all out of Spain? Aside from this central story, other lives populate this truthful and emotional novel: Englishwoman Margaret of the British Consulate, Madrid Communist Rómulo, widow Yvonne, owner of a sawmill at the feet of the Canigó... flesh and blood unforgettable.





## FRANCESC SERÉS

(Saidí, 1972) is the author of works including novels and the successful short-story collection *Contes russos* (*Russian Stories*, 2009). His books have been **translated into several languages** and he has been **awarded major literary prizes**, notable among them, what is probably Catalonia's most prestigious cultural award, the 2007 National Culture Prize.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## The Skin of The Frontier

(La pell de la frontera)

Quaderns Crema, 2014 | 320p

Rights sold

**Spanish:** Acantilado

**Arabic:** Sefsafa

#Narrative #Non\_Fiction #Literary  
#Social\_Chronicle

“The heroes of this story talk about how the world has changed though they're not sure whether this world, caressed or clawed, is theirs.”



The author was awarded with Catalonia's most prestigious cultural award, the **National Culture Prize**.

### La Vanguardia

«His best book»

### El País

«The most solid contribution any Catalan writer has ever made to the non-fiction genre.»

### El Mundo

«One of the most important books to appear in recent times.»

### El Periódico

«Don't miss this book.»

The old paths of the Baix Cinca and Segrià regions are lost and new ones have opened up, running through Europe and Africa to reach Romania and Ukraine, Mali, Senegal, Cameroon, China and India.

Directions and distances are so different that maps are no longer useful. Neither are stories the same. Men write their endings while inevitably erasing their beginnings. There is room for everyone on the skin of the frontier, for people from outside and inside, men with their heads held high, men with downcast eyes, men who come to stay and men who want to stay but never manage to arrive.



More on **Francesc Serés**:

**Russian Stories** (Contes russos)  
Quaderns Crema, 2009 | 224p | 3 ed

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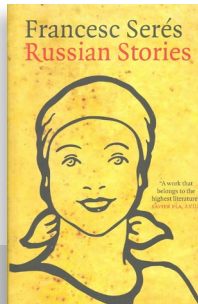
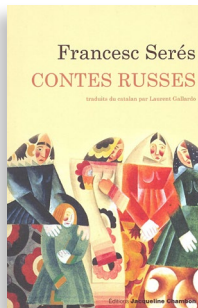
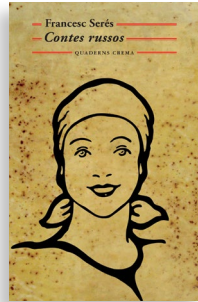
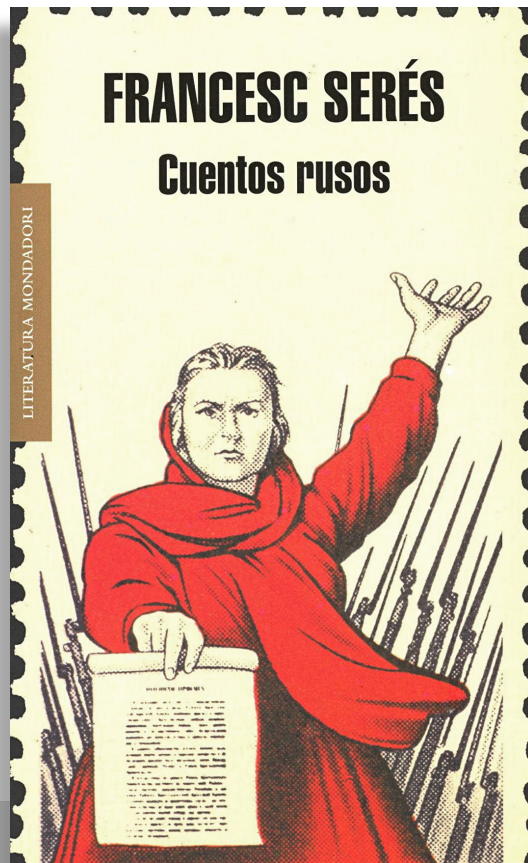
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**French:** Éditions Jacqueline Chambon

**Italian:** Guanda

**Arabic:** Sefsafa Publishing



SHORT\_STORIES  
#Literary\_Tradition #Upmarket #Russia

CRITICS' PRIZE, 2009  
CITY OF BARCELONA PRIZE, 2009

**Caràcters:**

«An excellent collection of twenty-one short stories drawing on different traditions and, once again, bringing to light the timeless themes of universal literature.»

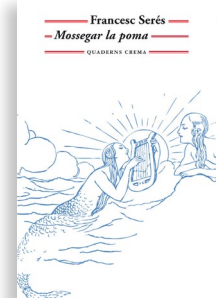
**El Mundo:**

«I have no hesitation in highly recommending this book.»

**Avui:**

«A work in the finest literary tradition.»

These short stories cover a period that extends from the XIX century, through to the era of low-cost airlines, from recreating traditional folk tales to portraying Russia's difficult relationship the twenty-first century. These stories speak of Russia from within Russia, far from trends that seek to turn this place into a no-place, or to dilute the individual and people as a whole in liquid societies.





## TINA VALLÈS

(Barcelona, 1976).  
Writer, translator and proofreader. Co-editor of the digital magazine for short stories *Paper de Vidre*. Founding member of APTIC, a professional association of translators and interpreters in Catalunya. She is a powerful literary voice who publishes books for adults and she also writes stories for children.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

# The Memory of the Tree

(La memòria de l'arbre)

Anagrama, 2017 | 218p

4ed

Rights sold:

**French:** Philippe Rey

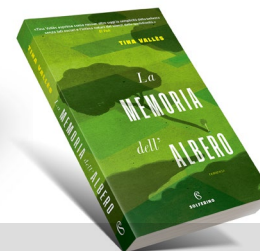
**Galician:** Kalandraka

**Italian:** Solferino

**Portuguese:** Dom Quixote

**Spanish:** Anagrama

**Turkish:** Can Çocuk Yayinlari



English sample available

#Contemporary  
#Literary  
#Grandfather\_&Grandson

ANAGRAMA LLIBRES PRIZE  
**“A little upmarket gem”**  
The Jury  
*A magical and deeply moving portrayal superbly realised of the relationship between grandfather, grandson and the loss and transmission of memory.*

- THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME MEETS THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PYJAMAS
- 4 EDITIONS
- VOICE COMPARED TO HUCKLEBERRY FINN AND THE CATCHER IN THE RYE

From now on there will be five at home. Jan tries to discover why his parents did not smile when they gave him the news: grandpas Joan and Caterina go to live with them, in their flat in Barcelona. Now the house is filled with some silences that Jan will try to decipher with the help of his grandfather. And little by little, between walks full of questions and answers, silences and tress, Jan and we will discover how memories are made, how they are conserved and how they are lost. Between the big city and a small town of barely five hundred inhabitants, Jan pursues the story of a mysterious weeping willow that the grandfather treasures in his infancy since childhood.

**While the first one builds his memory, his identity, the second sees his own disappear.**

## ON *LA MEMÒRIA DE L'ARBRE*



Anagrama, 2017 |  
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### PRAISES

**Babelia, El País** - «Tina Vallès shows her expertise and her delicate narrative insight.»

**@Librotea, Gabi Martínez** - «Delicate miniaturist and beauty searcher, Tina Vallès is able to offer the best of details. Her use of the language is passionate.»

**L'avencç** - «If in *La memòria de l'arbre* we are not exactly in front of the adolescent skatz that applied Mark Twain in *Huckleberry Finn* and J.D. Salinger in *The Catcher In the Rye*, little is lacking.»

**La Razón** - «Impressive existential everyday life. [...] The return to simple and direct writing.»

**Màrius Serra** - «Delicious ... A novel as sensitive as a haiku. Contained and full of emotional content.»

**Núvol** - «As slowly unwrapping a gift [...]. *La memòria de l'arbre* is a book that can give very good surprises.»

**Ara** - «A delicate delicious novel [...]. A remarkable domain of dramatic irony. The prose is clean, airy and carefully purged of kitsch.»

**Vilaweb** - «Its sensitivity and tenderness are born of a mind structured and precise.»

**Nació Digital** - «An example of how overwhelming can be delicacy. Take this book [...] and you'll understand what substance is memory made of.»

**Diari De Mallorca** - «200 pages that read like a party. [...] A writer full of verbal freshness.»

**El País** - «Vallès has expressed deep silence of the intimate nature of everyday life. Commitment in favor of

the simple beauty without dark sides.»

**L'Espolsada** (bookshop) - «A beautiful book that everyone should definitely read.»

### EXCERPT FROM UK READING REPORT (BY LAURA MCGLOUGHLIN)

“ *La memòria de l'arbre* is a beautifully-written, poignant novel about the relationship between a boy and his grandfather, told in a series of vignettes, which leaves a lasting impression on the reader.

The novel is artfully constructed as a series of memories and glimpses into one small boy's world as it changes around him, often evocative and quietly devastating. The novel's true strength, however, lies in the writing. Vallès' style is deceptively simple yet effective. Vallès realises Jan's voice brilliantly -he is bright and sensitive to the moods of the adults around him, and his narration never feels contrived.

I loved this novel and it stayed with me for days after I finished reading it. Vallès manages to evoke genuine feeling in the reader -the depiction of the relationship between Jan and his grandfather brought me to tears more than once.

Its universal themes of love and memory, coupled with the increasingly topical subject matter of dementia, make this a very universal novel. ”



# *Non Fiction*



## JAVIER APARICIO MAYDEU

(Barcelona, 1964) is Full Professor of Spanish and Comparative Literature at Universitat Pompeu Fabra. He worked with Carmen Balcells as literary agent for 15 years. He founded and still manages the Master in Publishing of UPF, Barcelona School of Management. He has been reviewing contemporary fiction at "Babelia", *El País* for the last 20 years and is still one of the most renowned critics in Spanish language. He is the author of several essays and the editor of critical editions of Nabokov, Calvino and Modiano, all published Cátedra and Alianza.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Tradition Scrapped. In the workshop of the XXth century fiction

(El desguace de la tradición. En el taller de la narrativa del siglo XX)

Cátedra, 2011 | 1.021p | 4 ed

#Tradition #ContemporaryNarrative  
#AmazingBlurbs

“ The only book that submerges the reader in the creative process of the great authors of the XX. ”



A stimulating visit to the workshop of contemporary narrative, where the reader will observe the details of the process of creation of some of the most significant narrative artifacts of the XXth century.

A practical, interdisciplinary and interactive course where the reader can surf as he was in internet.

**CLAUDIO MAGRIS** - "HAPPY TO BE IN THIS BOOK."

**THE NEW YORK REVIEW OF BOOKS** - "A FORMIDABLE, FASCINATING AND SERIOUSLY FUNNY AMUSING BOOK."

**EDUARDO MENDOZA** - "AN EXTRAORDINARY AND STIMULATING BOOK. ONE OF THE FEW BOOKS TO THANK."

**EL PAÍS** - "ONE OF THE FEW, LUCID, INCISORS, STIMULATING, PROTEAN TEXTS THAT TEACH WHY."

**ABC CULTURAL** - "DAMNED HETERODOX, TREMENDOUSLY DOCUMENTED, BRILLIANTLY WRITTEN AND INTELLIGENTLY RAISED."

**LA VANGUARDIA** - "AN ESSAY THAT ALLOWS THE READER TO BE PART OF THE CREATIVE PROCESS OF THE GREAT AUTHORS OF THE XX CENTURY."

Why did Kafka's page seem destined to be always blank? Listen to Satie helps to understand Proust's style? Should we read aloud *Ulysses*? How much is the first edition of *The Great Gatsby* worth? How did Faulkner or Capote advise young narrators? What do Mondrian's neoplasticism have in common with *Manhattan Transfer* by Dos Passos? Did LSD help Kerouac to solve the *On the Road* roll? Does Nabokov's *Pale Fire* prove that the narrators lost their credibility? Joseph Roth wrote thinking about the advance, for Delibes inspiration came when he slept well, editors changed the winning style of Carver and JFK's death on TV generated *Libra* by DeLillo as a episode of *The Simpsons*.

More on **Javier Aparicio Maydeu**

## Continuity and Breakdown

(Continuidad y ruptura. Una gramática de la tradición en la cultura contemporánea)

Alianza, 2013 | 216p

#ContemporaryFiction  
#Tradition

» *A strategic study to see how what's been created determines the creation: Bach is in Bártok as Van der Weyden in Bill Viola or Palladio in Le Corbusier.*

» *Tradition in Humanities. A very short introduction.*



Javier Aparicio Maydeu

Alianza editorial

Continuidad y ruptura  
Una gramática de la tradición en la cultura contemporánea

### ENRIQUE VILA-MATAS:

"A SMALL HUGE BOOK."

An essay that faces the irrevocable concept of tradition, proposes and reasons a definition, and examines its mechanisms and interdisciplinary relationships with culture and the arts. A laboratory in which the relationship between tradition and the entelechy of originality is experienced: the inevitable imitation, the canon and parody, genius and influence, protocols of innovation and the machinery of trends.

## Reading Contemporary Fiction

(Lecturas de ficción contemporánea. De Kafka a Ishiguro)

Cátedra, 2009 | 728p (divisible)

#ReadingGuide

A **lifetime** companion to the narrative of the XXth century

**A multiple faced book:**

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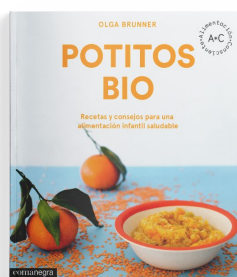
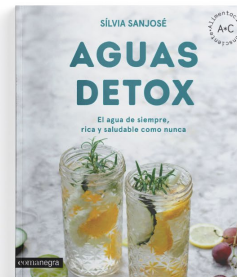
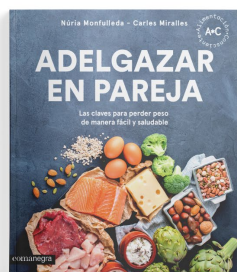
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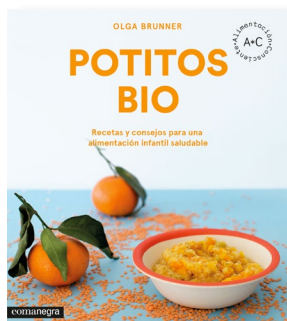
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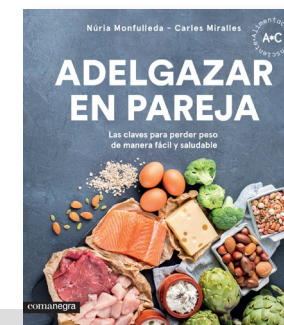


-Eating is a physiological act but it is also social and emotional.

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# World History of Catalonia

Edicions 62, 2018 | Autumn



## BORJA DE RIQUER

(Barcelona, 1945) is a historian of reference in Catalonia and in the rest of Spain. Professor of Contemporary History (UAB) and specialist in the history of the XIX century, political Catalanism and Francoism, he has collaborated in various collective works and has directed works of others. To highlight *Història de Catalunya*, directed by Pierre Vilar, *Història. Política, societat i cultura dels Països Catalans* or *La historia de España* directed by Josep Fontana. He has also written many of his own books on *Cambó*, contemporary identities, Franco's dictatorship or the Catalan question in the liberal age.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

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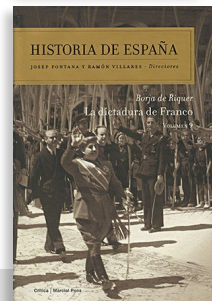
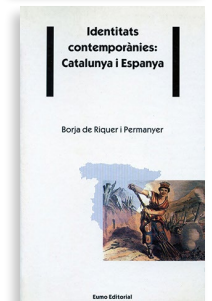
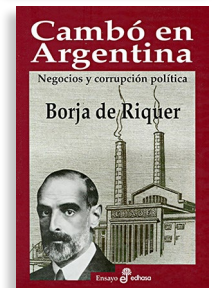
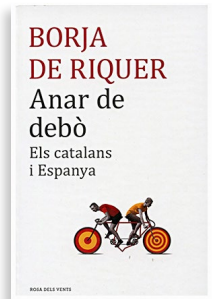


This book tells about “the Catalonia that has to be explained to the world and the Catalonia that is in the world”: **influences, mixtures, common phenomena and some contributions to the world still known today** only prove the interest of this book.

INSPIRED BY THE SUCCESSFUL BOOK *HISTOIRE MONDIALE DE LA FRANCE* DIRECTED BY **PATRICK BOUCHERON** WHICH HAS RISEN A REMARKABLE HISTORIOGRAPHICAL CONTROVERSY IN FRANCE

THE AUTHOR HAS BEEN DISTINGUISHED AS “**RENOWNED RESEARCHER**” BY THE **GENERALITAT DE CATALUNYA** AND IN 2017 WITH THE HIGHEST RECOGNITION OF THE CATALAN GOVERNMENT, **CREU SANT JORDI**

In a world so marked by globalization it seems inevitable to start telling ones story from a more global perspective. The result, to be published in the fall of 2018, is 123 episodes written by more than 100 historians, philologists, sociologists, economists, journalists, artists, philosophers, etc. that give the book a polyphonic image that makes it very original, different and attractive.





## SALVADOR MACIP

(Blanes, Girona, 1970) has a doctorate in Medicine from the Universitat de Barcelona. He is a researcher and a writer. He moved to New York in 1998 to work as a researcher of molecular bases of cancer at the Mount Sinai Hospital. Since 2008, he continues his research at the University of Leicester (UK), where he directs the group of cell death mechanisms and is a professor of the Biochemistry Department. Salvador Macip has published several books, both for adult readers and children.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## 100 Questions on Cancer

(100 preguntes sobre el càncer)

Coauthor: Daniel Closa

Cossetània, 2018

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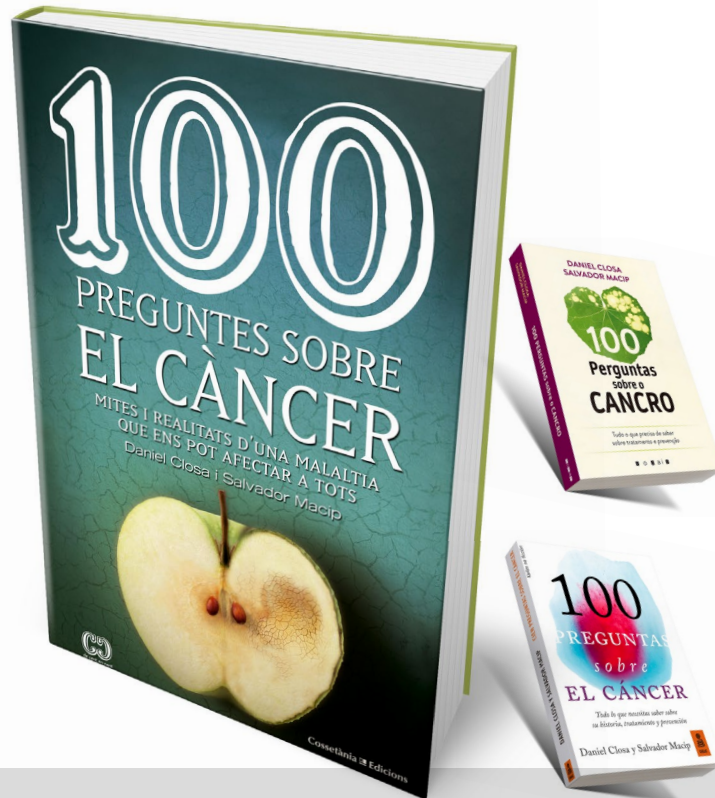
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**Italian:** Giunti

#Popular\_Science #Divulgation

“ The answer to popular day-to-day questions on cancer ”



CANCER IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT, ONE OF THE MOST KNOWN AND FEARED DISEASES. BUT WHAT DO WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT IT?

### ✓ THIS BOOK IS...

A reference for both patients and family members who want to know more, but also for anyone who is curious about one of the most complex and fascinating biological enigmas that exist.

### ✗ THIS BOOK IS NOT...

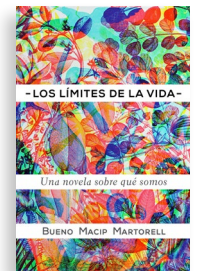
A guide of advice on how to act when someone suffers cancer. The only recommendation to give is “pay attention to your doctor”.

How many different types of cancer are there? When does it originate? What exactly happens in a cancer cell? What is chemotherapy? And the new targeted therapies? Are there natural remedies against cancer? Does it affect everyone equally? When can it be said that a cancer has healed?

This book wants to answer 100 essential questions about cancer that many people have surely made.

The best way to deal with cancer is to understand what it is and why it happens.

» Fiction title on p16



More on **Salvador Macip**:

## **Where Science and Ethics Meet**

(Jugar a ser déus. Els dilemes morals de la ciència)

Coauthor: Chris Willmott

Bromera, 2014 | 276p | **3 ed**

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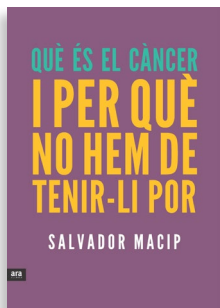
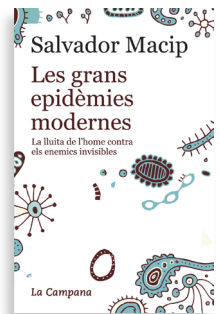


### EUROPEAN AWARD FOR GENERAL POPULAR SCIENCE STUDY, 2013

“ Only those who can understand the moral and social relevance of new scientific advances can partake in the debate and help to decide which path humanity should take in the future. ”

Nowadays, the advances in biology and biomedicine move forward at a frenetic pace. It is important, however, to be able to identify the reality that hides behind the exaggeration which often comes along with these scientific innovations, such as prolonging our life expectancy beyond one-hundred years; the cloning of human beings; regenerative medicine; genetic manipulation...

It is also important to take into account the impact of these innovations upon society to be able to decide if we are willing to pay the price of the benefits that they offer. If we are not careful, the fabulous gifts that science promises can have a very high price.





## ADAM MARTÍN

(Tossa de Mar, Girona, 1973), writer & journalist. He works for the Catalan media since 1992 on radio and TV programs. He has lately been working on healthy food and a balanced diet. Hence his latest published titles are related to this issue.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Be Flexi

(Cuina flexi)

Cossetània, 2017 | 144p

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**Spanish:** Lectio

**Portuguese:** Objetiva / Penguin Random House

#Cookery

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#Life\_Style



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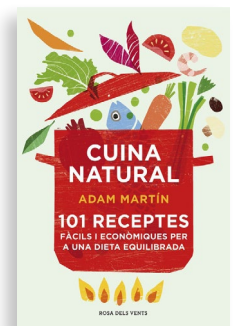
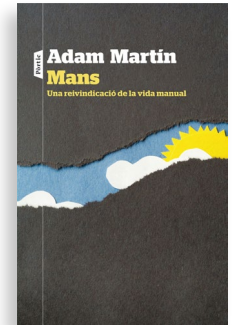
**Adam Martín:**

It's thought that within a few years there will be an increase [of flexies] of the 50% worldwide. The reason is clear: flexitarianism provides a balanced and healthy diet without having to suffer for being strict vegetarians.

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THE NEW FLEXIBLE  
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**Flexitarianism** is a lifestyle that provides all the benefits of a vegetarian diet, without needing to totally eliminate the consumption of meat, fish or other animal protein. In this book, full of pictures, you will find 80 delicious recipes to cover a full daily menu (breakfast, lunch and dinner) for a 21 days menu: 3 weeks is what doctors say is the minimum to apprehend a habit.





## BEL OLID

(Mataró, 1977) is writer, translator, university professor and feminist to the bone. She presided the Conseil Européen des Associations de Traducteurs Littéraires (CEATL) and since March 2015 she is the president of the association of Catalan writers. She writes both for adult in fiction and non fiction, and for children.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## Pocket Feminism, a Survival Kit

(Feminisme de butxaca)

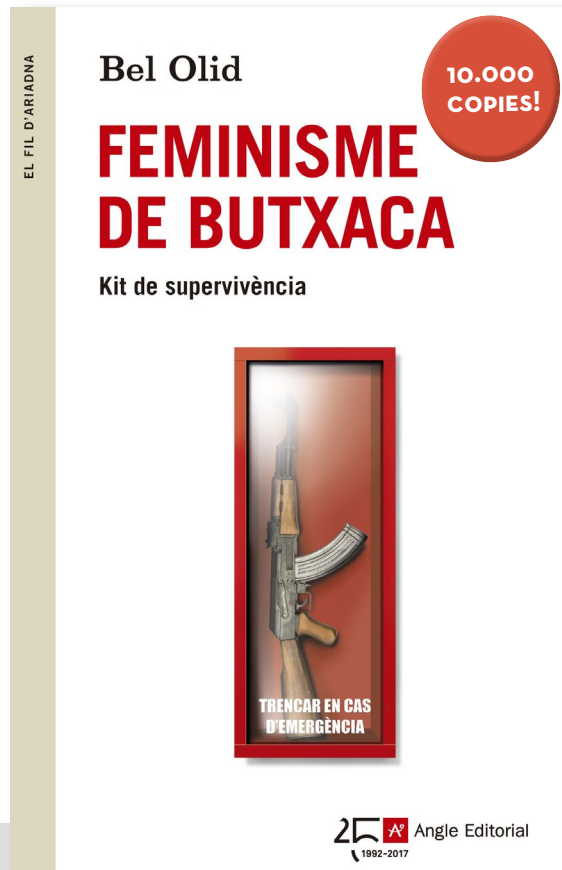
Angle Editorial, 2017 | 128p | 5 ed

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**Spanish:** Lectio

#Feminism #Activist\_Voice #Survival\_Kit

“ Brave and brilliant author who never flees conflict, either intimate or collective. Pocket Feminism, is a Survival Kit ”



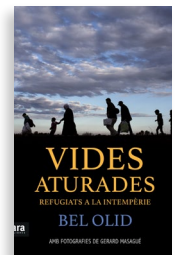
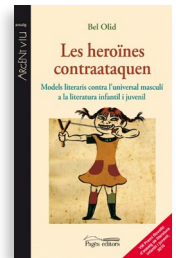
TODAY, FEMINISM IS MORE ALIVE AND MORE NECESSARY THAN EVER BECAUSE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN HAS BECOME MORE SUBTLE AND DIFFICULT TO DETECT BUT KEEPS ITS PARALYZING POWER.

BEL OLID FACES THIS REALITY BY EXPLAINING THE KEY CONCEPTS OF THE CURRENT FEMINIST STRUGGLE IN AN INTELLIGENT, RADICAL AND SOMETIMES SURPRISING WAY.

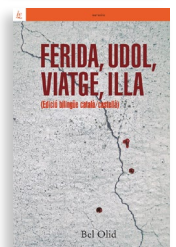
“ My fantasy is a tommy gun.

When I go down the street and a stranger tells me something: tommy gun. When the on duty politician makes the on duty sexist comment: tommy gun. When the bishop explains in the newspapers how is that we don't want to be raped, if we ask for free and affordable abortion: tommy gun. When in school it is valued to infinity that the father of the creatures attend the meetings, but it is assumed the attendance of mothers: tommy gun. When I get kicked out of work because I'm pregnant: tommy gun. When they tell me not to be exalted, that there is no such thing: tommy gun.

It might seem like a violent fantasy, but it is not; it's a fantasy of self-defense.



Fiction titles on [p18](#)





## VICENT PARTAL

(Betera, 1960). Journalist and director of Vilaweb, the most important digital newspaper in Catalan. He has worked in several media and has been a correspondent in countries in conflict from where he has lived crucial moments in history, from the fall of the Wall to the war of the Balkans or the revolt of students in Beijing. He has published several monographs on NATO and on nationalisms for which he has received numerous awards. He is president of the European Journalism Center based in Maastricht.

[\(Complete profile of the author here\)](#)

## New Homage to Catalonia

(Nou homenatge a Catalunya)

Ara llibres, 2018 | 267p

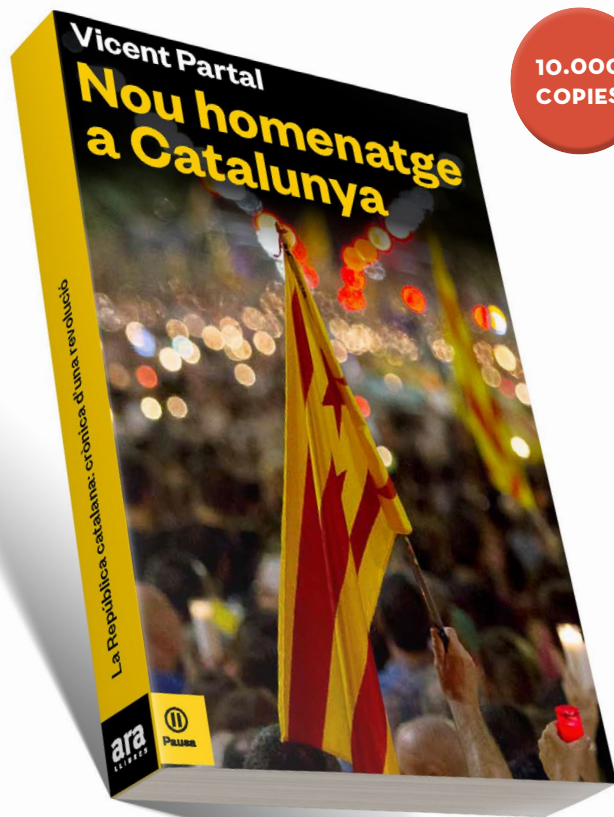
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## Fiction

### **Cafè Barcelona**

#Literary #Amsterdam & Barcelona

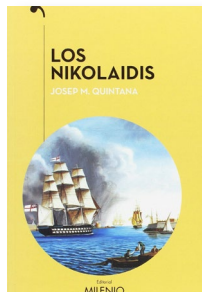


JOAN CARRERAS  
**Ciutat de Barcelona Award**

Catalan - Proa, 2013  
228 p  
**. 5 editions**  
**. Dutch manuscript available**

### **The Nikolaidis (Els Nikolaidis)**

#HistoricalAdventure



JM QUINTANA

Catalan - Pagès Editors, 2017  
Spanish - Milenio, 217  
Greek - Lagudera  
464p  
**. 8 editions**

### **California**

#Literary

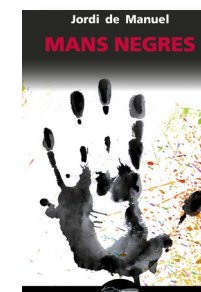


JORDI COCA

Catalan - Galaxia Gutenberg, 2016  
216 p  
Spanish - Galaxia Gutenberg

### **Black Hands (Mans negres)**

#Noir, #Mystery #ScienceFiction



JORDI DE MANUEL

Catalan - Pagès Editors, 2017  
135p

### **The Longest Pause (El parèntesi més llarg)**

#Short Stories #Literary #Barcelona



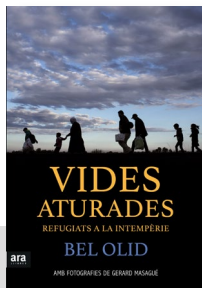
TINA VALLÈS  
**Short Fiction Mercè Rodoreda Award**

Catalan - Proa, 2013  
Spanish - Godall, 2018  
192p

## Non Fiction

### **Standstill Lives (Vides aturades)**

#CurrentEvents #ActivistVoice

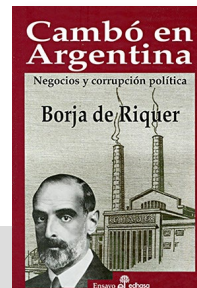


BEL OLID  
& GERARD MASAGUÉ

Catalan - Ara Llibres, 2017  
145p

### **Cambó in Argentina (Cambó en Argentina)**

#History#Biography



BORJA DE RIQUER

Spanish - Edhasa, 2016  
512p

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## CONTACT

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Awards to our Authors

**Sant Joan Award** - Fiction

*El fil invisible* (Gemma Lienas, Edicions 62)

**Sant Jordi Award** - best Catalan novel unpublished.

*Jo soc aquell que va matar Franco* (Joan-Lluís Lluís, Proa)

**Prudenci Bertrana Award** - Fiction.

*Melissa & Nicole* (David Nel·lo, Columna)

**Crítica Serra d'Or Award**, best novel 2016 - Fiction.

*El Navegant* (Joan-Lluís Lluís, Proa)

**Anagrama de Novel·la Award** - Fiction.

*La memòria de l'arbre* (Tina Vallès, Anagrama)

**Mancomunitat de la Ribera Alta Award** - Non Fiction.

*Cafarnaüm* (Jaume Subirana, Bromera).



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