

Lisa Aisato

A Fish for Luna

En fisk til Luna

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Luna can't sleep. She opens her window and peeks out. There is something out there. Something is gliding slowly between the houses. Is it a balloon? A flying fish? Luna's parents say it is ugly and that she can't keep it, so Luna decides to help it back home. But it won't say where home is. All it says is "Ay", "Yue", "Kuu", "Maan", "Tsuki", "Karoo" and "Kamar". And it says "Luna".

With great bravery Lisa Aisato explores life's big issues and presents an original and fresh take on subjects as human as loneliness and hope. Always firmly anchored in a child perspective, with a child's intensity of sensation. In this case personified in the shape of a lonesome fish. *A Fish for Luna* is a unique and beautiful picture book tale.

Shortlisted for the Brage Prize 2014, the Ministry of Culture's Literature Prize 2014 (Best Children's and Young Adults Book) and the Book Blogger's Prize 2014.



'A beautiful picture book ... Lisa Aisato confirms that she most definitely is among the most interesting picture book artists in Norway.'

Dagbladet

'Masterful and poetic ... Lisa Aisato confirms her position as one of the very best Norwegian picture book artists.'

Barnebokkritikk



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Lisa Aisato is a writer and illustrator, and she made a striking debut with her first picture book *My Two Great Grandmothers* in 2008. She also illustrates the popular books about Tambar, and every Saturday she illustrates Jesper Juul's column in the daily Dagbladet.

Foreign sales

Chinese simplified (Shanghai Joint Publishing), Czech (Omega), Danish (Turbine), English in China (Shenzhen Book Imp), Hindi, Icelandic (Draumsyn), Macedonian (Ars Lamina), Persian (Nahl Publications), Romanian (Editura Art)

Awards

Top 10 Norwegian authors under the age of 35 by the newspaper Morgenbladet
Shortlisted for the International HC Andersen Award 2016
Shortlisted for the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award 2015
Shortlisted for the Ministry of Culture's Literature Prize 2014 (Best Children's and Young Adults Book) with *A Fish for Luna*
Shortlisted for the Brage Prize 2014 with *A Fish for Luna*
Shortlisted for the Book Blogger's Prize 2014 with *A Fish for Luna*
Shortlisted for the Ministry of Culture's Literature Prize 2010 (Best Children's and Young Adults Book) with *Odd is an Egg*

Previous titles

Bird (2013) - Sold to Brazil and Denmark
Odd is an Egg (2010) - Sold to China, Denmark and Sweden
My Two Great Grandmothers (2008) - Sold to Denmark and India/Pratham Books (Marathi, Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Oriya, Urdu, Punjabi, Malayalam, Gujarati, Bengali and English in India)

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