

Julia Kahrs

The Storm is Coming

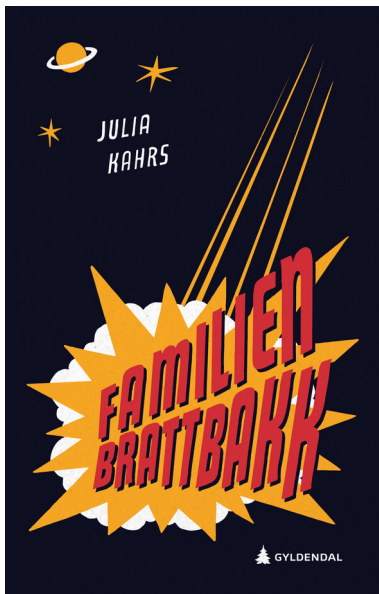
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Gørja seems to be a completely ordinary place, with a school, a shop and a kiosk. But there are also secrets in Gørja that the adults cannot – or will not – explain. There have been two child disappearances from Gørja, and both times a storm raged through the streets and the forest, and across the lake and the sky. Now a new storm is brewing – and Sam's family has only just moved here.

A wild, exciting and highly original story from Julia Kahrs.

Winner of the 2022 Brage Prize, the 2022 Norwegian Critics' Prize and the 2022 "Boksluker-prisen" (Avid Reader's Award)
Nominated for the 2022 Ark's Children's Book Prize



'This family is so strange and different that the novel becomes completely unpredictable and incredibly fun to read. It's also exciting, since the storm is approaching and some children usually disappear with it. The book is full of absurd situations and laconic comments — this isn't a book to leave behind half-read at the cabin. A crystal-clear 6 out of 6!'

VG, 6/6 stars

'Wildness and mystery from one of our most original children's novelists.'

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Julia Kahrs (b.1985) made her debut with the adventure novel *The Silver Foxes* in 2009. Since then, she has written several novels for the intermediate level, where she is not afraid to enter the absurd and grotesque. Her books are often described as unpredictable, magical-realistic and wild.

Kahrs had her big breakthrough with *The Storm is Coming* in 2022, for which she received the Brage Prize and the Norwegian Critics' Prize.

Julia Kahrs is one of the participants chosen for NORLA's development programme for new literary talents "New Voices", under the headline "On the Way to Bologna", as a part of Norway as Guest of Honour at Bologna Book Fair 2026.

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