

## Geir Gulliksen Anna Fiske

Joel and Io  
*Joel og Io*

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CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS  
NOVEL



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A book about young love.

One day Joel meets Io. Io is slightly older, but Joel still thinks they should play together. Io does not agree. She wants to get to know the other girls, she says. Nevertheless, they play together a little, and Joel is in love. But suddenly Io has to move!

The book is illustrated by Anna Fiske.

Nominated for the Nordic Council Children and Young People's Literature Prize 2015.

Geir Gulliksen (b 1963) is an author and editor of fiction and general literature at Forlaget Oktober. He has published poetry, essays, plays, and two novels. In 2008 Gulliksen won the Mads Wiel Nygaard Endowment for his literary work. In their statement, the jury wrote: "Geir Gulliksen writes in a beautiful and accessible prose, which challenges the outer limits of poetry in a way that has earned him recognition among the most sophisticated literary circles, at the same time as he can be read by anybody." The daily Aftenposten has named Gulliksen "One of the finest Norwegian poets of his generation".

Anna Fiske (b. 1964) grew up in the south of Sweden, but now lives in Oslo. Her one-woman-magazine Rabbel with comics for children has won a number of prizes. She also makes comics for an adult audience. Her work for children is in the great Scandinavian tradition of children's literature, i.e. Tove Jansson and Astrid Lindgren.

Geir Gulliksen's and Anna Fiske's bed time story *Wondering Iben* was nominated for the Brage Prize in 2012.

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