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THE SCOTIABANK GILLER PRIZE PRESENTS ITS 2017 SHORTLIST

October 2, 2017 (Toronto, ON) – Today, at the Scotiabank Centre in Toronto, more than 100 media and members of the publishing industry gathered for the unveiling of the 2017 Scotiabank Giller Prize shortlist. CBC Radio’s Gill Deacon hosted the special event, while jury members André Alexis (2015 Scotiabank Giller Prize winner), Anita Rau Badami, Lynn Coady (2013 Scotiabank Giller Prize winner) and Richard Beard were on hand to announce the 2017 finalists and read citations for each title.

The five titles were chosen from a [longlist](#) of 12 books announced in St. John’s, NL on September 18, 2017. One hundred and twelve titles were submitted by 73 publisher imprints from across the country. Three authors on the shortlist have previous nominations, while Michelle Winters and Ed O’Loughlin appear for the first time. Also represented for the first time is independent publisher Invisible Publishing based in Picton, Ontario.

The books shortlisted for the 2017 Scotiabank Giller Prize are:

- **Rachel Cusk** for her novel [Transit](#), published by HarperCollins Publishers Ltd
- **Ed O’Loughlin** for his novel [Minds of Winter](#), published by House of Anansi Press
- **Michael Redhill** for his novel [Bellevue Square](#), published by Doubleday Canada
- **Eden Robinson** for her novel [Son of a Trickster](#), published by Alfred A. Knopf Canada
- **Michelle Winters** for her novel [I am a Truck](#), published by Invisible Publishing

Rachel Cusk was previously shortlisted for her novel *Outline* in 2015, Michael Redhill’s debut novel *Martin Sloane* made the 2001 shortlist, and Eden Robinson was shortlisted for her novel *Monkey Beach* in 2000.

The 2017 Scotiabank Giller Prize shortlist books are available in accessible format for print-disabled Canadians through both the National Network for Equitable Library Service (NNELS) and the Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA). NNELS (nnels.ca) and CELA (celalibrary.ca) provide a digital library of accessible format books for Canadians with perceptual disabilities, made available through Canada’s public library network.

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The winner of the Scotiabank Giller Prize will be given an opportunity to explore, expand, and develop their practice during a two-week, self-directed residency in Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity's exclusive Leighton Artists' Studios. Banff Centre is Canada's leading destination for arts training and is located in the heart of Banff National Park. (banffcentre.ca)

To celebrate this year's shortlisted authors, a series of special readings will take place in **Calgary** on October 12, **Vancouver** on October 16, **Halifax** on October 26, **Ottawa** on November 1, **Toronto** on November 6 and **London, U.K.** on November 9.

Between the Pages: An Evening with the Scotiabank Giller Prize Finalists will take you inside the minds and creative lives of the writers on the 2017 shortlist.

For venue and ticket information, please visit:

www.scotiabankgillerprize.ca/news-events/events-and-important-dates/#between

The 2017 Scotiabank Giller Prize, hosted by **Mary Walsh**, will air live on CBC on Monday, November 20 at 8 p.m. (12:30 AT/1:00 NT) and will be livestreamed at CBCBooks.ca. The gala will also air as a broadcast special on CBC Radio One at 8 p.m. (9 AT/9:30 NT), hosted by The Next Chapter's **Shelagh Rogers** and CBC's q books columnist **Jael Richardson**.

About the Prize

The Scotiabank Giller Prize, founded in 1994, highlights the very best in Canadian fiction year after year. The prize awards \$100,000 annually to the author of the best Canadian novel or short story collection published in English, and \$10,000 to each of the finalists. The award is named in honour of the late literary journalist Doris Giller by her husband Toronto businessman Jack Rabinovitch, who passed away in August 2017.

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