

THE
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Literature Prize 2018 and 2019

Olga Tokarczuk and Peter Handke

The Nobel Prize in Literature

"the person who shall have produced in the field of literature the most outstanding work in an ideal direction".



Who is rewarded with the Literature Prize?



The Nobel Prize in Literature has mainly been awarded to authors who have written works of fiction – novels, short stories, poetry collections and theatrical plays.

Nobel Prizes for two years were announced



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In 2019 the Swedish Academy announced the Nobel Prizes in Literature for both 2018 and 2019.

The 2018 Nobel Laureate



Olga Tokarczuk
Born: 1962, Poland

"for a narrative imagination that with encyclopedic passion represents the crossing of boundaries as a form of life."

Voracious reader, psychologist and writer



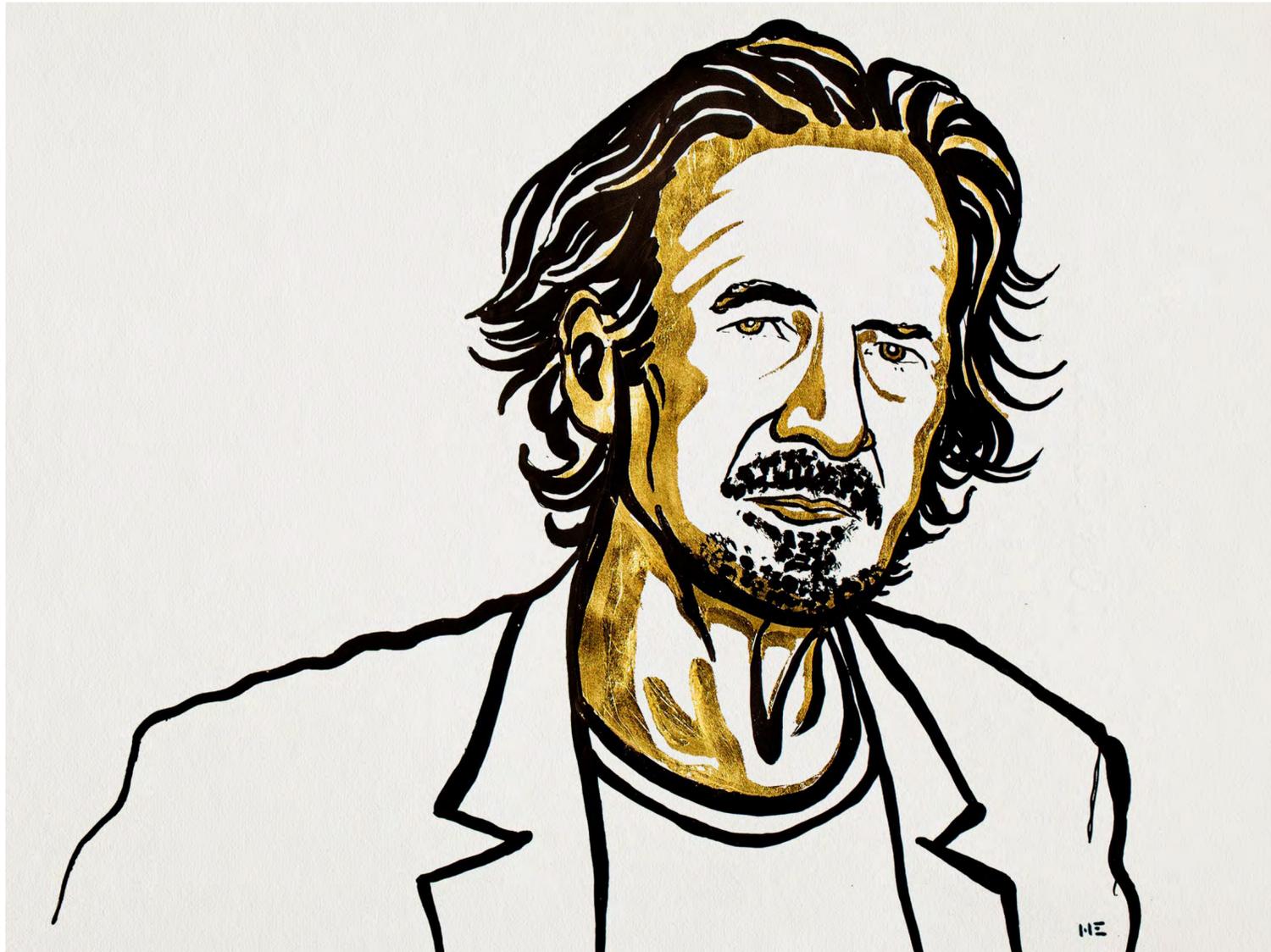
Olga Tokarczuk became interested in literature at an early age. In her homeland, she is an acclaimed writer today – but is also controversial.

Viewing the world from above



Olga Tokarczuk is inspired by maps. In some of her stories, places are almost like main characters.

The 2019 Nobel Laureate



Peter Handke
Born: 1942, Austria

"for an influential work that with linguistic ingenuity has explored the periphery and the specificity of human experience."

A long and varied literary career



Peter Handke was born in Austria during the Second World War. Today he has lived in France for many years.

Discovering the world in new ways



Peter Handke's works are often about remembering the dead – but also about rediscovering the world.

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Nobel Prize Lessons