

About the author:

Narine Abgaryan was born in 1971 in Berd, Armenia, in the family of a doctor and a school teacher. She graduated from the State University of Linguistic Studies in Yerevan, with a diploma of a teacher of Russian language and literature. Abgaryan is the internationally bestselling author of a dozen of books, including her nationally bestselling and prize-winning (The Manuscript of the Year 2010 and The Russian Literature Prize 2011) trilogy about Manunia, a busy and troublesome 11-year-old in a small Armenian town Berd. Manunia has been made into a TV series, an Okko platform show, with a premier at Kinotavr Fim Fesitval in 2021. Abgaryan's other book for children, Semyon Andreich, received Baby-NOS from The New Literature Award in 2013, as "the best book for children of the last decade." The author's powerful and moving parable Three Apples Fell From the Sky was translated into 23 languages and became a long seller throughout Europe. In 2016, it won the prestigious Yasnaya Polyana Prize. Since 2022 Narine Abgaryan has moved to her native Armenia, sharing her time between Armenia and Germany.

Selected Bibliography

2020 — Simon, novel

2017 — Go on Living, short stories

2016 — Zulali, novel

2015 — Three Apples Fell from the Sky, novel

2014 — People Who Are Always with Me, novel

2012 — Semyon Andreich. A Story in Scribbles, novel

2012 — Manunia, Gran's Birthday Anniversary and Other Turmoils, novel

2011 — The Migrant, novel

2010 — Manunia Writes a Fantastic Novel, novel

2010 — Manunia, novel

Shortlisted for the Big Book Award 2021

Yasnaya Polyana Prize 2016

Nominated for the National Bestseller Prize 2016

The Alexander Green Award 2015

The New Literature Award 2013 (The Best Book for Children)

The Russian Literature Prize 2011

Longlisted for the Big Book Award 2011

Manuscript of the Year 2010

