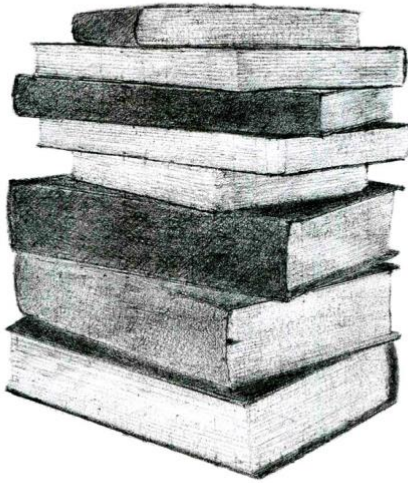


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Celia the Squirrel Wins Booker Prize

In a shock announcement and unprecedented in literary competition history the Booker Prize has been awarded to a late entry.

The coveted prize has been given to *Nuts in Autumn* by Celia the Squirrel. It is Celia's debut novel and has been described as a masterpiece of modern literature. Translated from the original squirrel, *Nuts in Autumn* spans several decades and generations of a family of middle-class Squirrels and draws upon Celia's own experience growing up in suburban Middlesex, as well as archive material of her ancestors, originally from Buckinghamshire. The novel explores love, loss and conflict and of course the complex skill of collecting and storing nuts.

Senior editor, Geoff the Fox, from *Literary Magazine*, *Words from the Woods*, praised Celia's winning novel by saying that it was a masterclass in how to write a family saga.

So that's all very exciting, isn't it?

