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LITERATURE

Crummey, Grant and Moore Winterset finalists

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Michael Crummey, Jessica Grant and Lisa Moore were named as finalists for the 2009 Winterset Award, which recognizes Newfoundland and Labrador writing.

The three works were chosen from a total of 32 entries published by Newfoundland authors in 2009.

Crummey won the 2001 Winterset Award for his first novel,

"River Thieves." He was nominated for his latest novel,

"Galore," which has also garnered recognition as a finalist in the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for Best Book (Canada and the Caribbean) and the Governor General's Awards (Fiction).

Grant is nominated for her first



Michael Crummey

Literary



Jessica Grant

novel, "Come, Thou Tortoise."

She has previously published a book of short stories, "Making Light of Tragedy" which



Lisa Moore

included a piece that won the Western Magazine Award for fiction and the Journey Prize.

Moore is nominated for her second novel, "February."

It is also a finalist for the Commonwealth writers Prize for Best Book (Canada and the Caribbean.) In 2002 she was a final-

ist for the Winterset Award with "Open," a collection of short stories.

The winner will be announced on March 25.

The winning author will receive \$5,000, and each of the other finalists will get \$1,000.

On March 24, the three authors will hold a public reading and reception at The Studio, 272 Water St. at 4 p.m.

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