

Russian diaspora children's

When Angels are Resting

Teenager book. KompasGid. Moscow 2016. 208 pages
Age 12+

Awards: Included in the list White Crows of International Munich Child's Library

Foreign Rights: China, Lithuania, Thailand, Ukraine

„If I had had a father, everything could have turned out differently, then my mother could have consulted with him. She would have consulted with him and would not have sent me to Tatyana Vladimirovna's school. And Tatyana Vladimirovna would not have said: „Get up! Hands behind your head!“ Grandfather would not have been shocked and would not have insisted that I be transferred to another school. And I wouldn't have gotten into Marsem's class. It was Marsem who told us about the angels - that they should rest. Many years have passed since then. But if something happens to me, good or bad, I remember it.”



THE AUTHOR

awards

2020 K. Chukovsky Prize
2019 winner BIBF Ananas Grand
Jury Prize Beijing
2018 Klaus Flugge Prize
London
White Crows of International
Munich Child's Library

other titles

Little Suitcase Travel
The Real Boat



Marina Aromshtam was born 1960 in Moscow. For nearly 20 years she worked as a school teacher. She also devoted twelve years of life to pedagogical journalism. The last ten years she has been engaged into issues around children's reading and support for young readers. She oversees several educational institutions for preschool children and orphans. In 2022 she left Russia. Aromshtam lives in Israel.

Marina Aromshtam about her decision to go into exile:

“The war Russia unleashed on Ukraine forced me and my husband to leave Russia. The spirit of war that drove us out of the country likely wanted to deprive us of more than just our homeland. It threatened to take away our language and ability to write — to reduce us to nothing.”

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