



## Booker Prize 2024

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Recently, British author **Samantha Harvey** won the [Booker Prize 2024](#) for her novel ***Orbital***.

- ***Orbital*** is the **first space book** to win the Booker Prize.
- It explores Earth through the experiences of six astronauts aboard the [International Space Station \(ISS\)](#), witnessing **16 sunrises and sunsets daily**.
- It is the **second-shortest novel** in Booker Prize history, with the shortest being ***Offshore* by Penelope Fitzgerald (132 pages)**.
- Harvey is the first woman to win the Booker Prize **since Margaret Atwood in 2019**.
- **The Booker Prize:** Established in the **UK in 1969**.
  - **Awarded annually** to the best **sustained work of fiction**.
  - Initially awarded to writers from Commonwealth nations. Now open to writers worldwide, regardless of origin.
  - Must be **written in English** and **published in the UK or Ireland**.

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