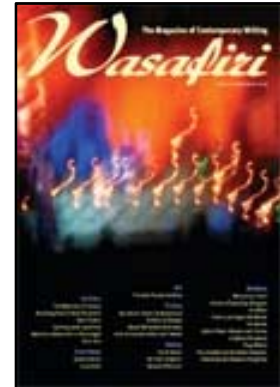


Caine Prize 2009 Shortlist

The short story by Mukoma wa Ngugi '*How Kamau wa Mwangi Escaped into Exile*' was on the shortlist for the 2009 Caine Prize. The article was published in issue 54 of *Wasafiri* in Summer 2008, and can be read here: http://www.caineprize.com/pdf/2009_Ngugi.pdf

The prize was won by Nigerian author E.C. Osondu for his story '*Waiting*', published on Guernicamag.com. The £10,000 prize was announced at a ceremony at the Bodleian Library, Oxford, on Monday 6 July.



The Caine Prize is awarded to a short story published in English by an African writer whose work has reflected African sensibilities. Widely known as the 'African Booker', it is regarded as Africa's leading literary award and is currently celebrating its tenth anniversary. This year there were over 120 entries coming in from 12 African countries.

The nomination continues *Wasafiri*'s past success with the prize. S.A. Afolabi's article '*Monday Morning*', published in issue 41 of *Wasafiri*, won the Caine Prize in 2006, and Uzor Maxim Uzoatu's short story '*Cemetery of Life*' was shortlisted in 2008.

The judging panel this year was chaired by *New Statesman* Chief Sub-Editor Nana Yaa Mensah, Professor Jon Cook of the University of East Anglia, novelist Professor Jennifer Natalya Fink, *Guardian* journalist and author Hannah Pool, and novelist, journalist and bookseller Mohammed Ugar.

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