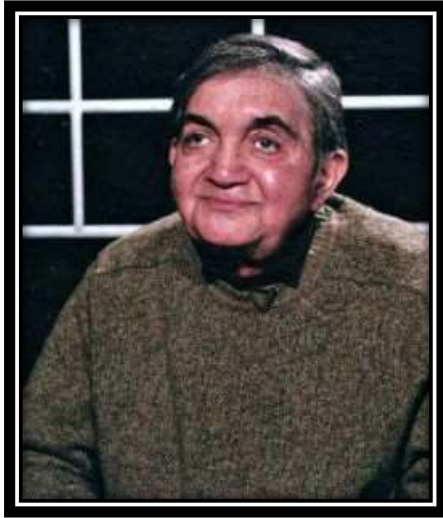


Author of the Week: Nirmal Verma



Nirmal Verma was a Hindi writer, novelist, activist and translator. He is credited as being one of the pioneers of the 'Nayi Kahani' (New Story) literary movement of Hindi literature, wherein his first collection of stories, Parinde (Birds) is considered its first signature.

In his career spanning five decades and various forms of literature, like story, travelogue and essays, he penned five novels, eight short-story collections and nine books of non-fiction, including essays and travelogues.

He wrote his first story for a students' magazine in the early 1950s. He completed a Masters of Arts in History from St. Stephen's College, Delhi University. Thereafter he started teaching in Delhi and writing for various literary magazines.

Awards and milestones

- ❖ Jnanpith Award in 1999
- ❖ Sahitya Akademi Award in 1985
- ❖ Padma Bhushan in 2002
- ❖ Jnanapith Trust's "Murtidevi Award" 1991
- ❖ Jury member Lettre Ulysses Award 2003
- ❖ Sahitya Akademi Fellowship in 2005

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